

# ELTA Board Meeting Minutes

July 23 18, 2018

7:00 PM

Amy's House

## Agenda

- Roll Call
- President Report
- Treasurer's Report
- High Water Issues
  - North Eagle Lake Update
  - Treasure Island Update
  - Compressor Issues/Solutions re high water
- Committee Review/Reports
- Area Rep Report
- Round Table
- Adjournment

## Roll Call

Board Members Present: Len Bosma, Brett Cummings, Jim Caporale, Amy Coon, Frank Loedeman, Phil DeYoung, and Ken Toy (Also present were a couple of the area representatives)

Board Members Absent: Kasi Casterline, Neil Harris

## President's Report

Amy didn't have much to report other than she is still getting several phone calls per week about the high water and potential solutions.

## Treasurer's Report

Jim updated the State of Michigan LARA paperwork and we are paid up to-date.

Jim went over the Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2018. We paid for the first weed treatment and 2<sup>nd</sup> installments of engineering services and sampling. Both SAD accounts are in good shape.

Our amended budget for SAD 1 and SAD 2 were recently approved by the Township.

## High Water Issues

### North Eagle Lake

The Township Board is meeting this Thursday to discuss. The independent board of

determination is looking into the issue and deciding whether or not this is something that needs to be fixed at the Township/County level. At for this point we have very little information available as to what facts the board is going to look at for their determination.

### Compressor Issues/Solutions

Len noted that at the Majewski residence has a sump pump/utility pump plugged into the compressor outlet. This will affect the meter reading for that compressor and should be watched.

Len, Phil, and Jim went to the Township and discussed the actions taken to keep the compressors dry. Unfortunately, the steps taken have created some noise issues that may require moving some of the compressors. All sites will be revisited this fall and likely moved back. In sum, it sounds like there will be an estimated extra \$20,000 in expense to move the compressors, splice lines, and make more “permanent” homes for the compressors. The Township board voted to approve the moving of funds suggested by ELTA.

Hettinga’s compressor was moved, and Ryder’s compressor was transferred to Dorf.

The first bioaugmentation treatment is done. The next one will be in a couple weeks.

Ken and Amy met with the drain commissioner at Jim Roberts house to discuss possible ideas for dealing with the high water. There was discussion about the possibility of creating possible outlets that would flow into a natural watershed.

We would need to petition the court to set a “lake level” and then the drain commission would be compelled to keep it at that level. There was discussion on whether it is in our best interest to have it at the “historical high-water mark” or not. There was further discussion on what the possible ramifications related to legally establishing a lake level pursuant to Part 307 of 1994 PA 451 (as suggested by the drain commissioner). At this point very little is known about the procedure to legally set a lake level, but the board discussed what information was currently available to them.

We currently try to keep the level above 891’-896’. 898.4’ is the established “high-water mark” according to the DEQ.

In June the drain commissioner said it was 901.12’.

### Complaints

There was discussion on holding an educational session for the masses to explain what steps the board has taken and to address the numerous concerns that come in weekly.

Ken and Amy will spearhead trying to get a joint meeting with the drain commissioner and Crooked Lake for the public to attend and ask questions.

## No Wake

Amy indicated that she has fielded several calls lately from frustrated homeowners who are frustrated that the board is supporting the lake being a no-wake zone.

## **Lake Quality Committee Report**

Len will follow up with Jennifer to see if/when she will be coming out to do another visit to see if we need another treatment (besides bioaugmentation).

## **Meter Reading**

N/A

## **Communications**

Ken is working to extract email addresses we have on file, but it appears that we have 50% or less of the total residents' email addresses. The Communications Committee will work towards a more comprehensive list, but it was noted that there are many residents who don't use email or don't want to give out their email lists.

Due to the limitations with GoDaddy, Ken is going to migrate to a new host server. It will be a comparable cost to GoDaddy.

We need to work on getting the newsletter out ASAP.

## **Legal/Safety**

N/A

## **Membership**

Membership is working on a tri-fold handout they can use to assist in boosting membership.

## **Next Board Meeting**

The next meeting will be August 20th at Amy's at 7:00 PM.

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm**