

LAKE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The following agenda topics were discussed:

- 1. Call to order:** The Lake Committee met on October 19th, 2017. Lamont Kiefer called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm, in the Public Works conference room. Roll call was taken and members present included: Bruce Baker, Hal Burnham, Blaine Meyer and Lamont Kiefer. Quorum present. John Rusch arrived at 5:30 p.m. Kim Mello and Steve Ewers was not able to attend. Also present: Kirk Arity, Dir. Public Works.
- 2. Approve the minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion made by Hal Burnham to approve minutes, seconded by Blaine Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Hazardous Dead tree in Lake Tomah:** This has been an ongoing issue for the residents on Lakeview Dr. Lamont Kiefer received a letter from Cheryl Roscovious, 1320 Lakeview Dr., stating her concern about the tree. Roscovious is fearful for boaters, skiers, etc. that may come in to that area, unknowingly, and hit the tree. She would like to see it removed, if possible, or at least weighed down. Because of the uncertainty of the size of the tree, the committee is unsure if they would be able to pull the tree out. Hal Burnham will research anchoring options and report back to the committee at the next meeting.
- 4. Update on Eagle Scout project:** Nothing new to report
- 5. Adaptive Management update:** Still waiting on riprap project. Soil sample have been taking and seeding will begin in the spring.
- 6. Wis. Life Jacket Loaner Program – Kids don't float:** Nothing new to report. Bruce Baker offered to get into contact with DNR and will report back at next meeting.
- 7. Conservation Warden Update:** No update.
- 8. Northern Pike fyke net data from Spring 2017:** Nothing to report
- 9. Future composition and characteristic of Lake Tomah shoreline:** Winnebago park shoreline has limited access due to the amount of weeds. From the dam to Butts Park, the weeds are somewhat controlled. Lamont Kiefer is worried that the cattails will cause a problem, over time, for people trying to fish from shore. The other committee members are encouraged to walk the area to understand the problem. DNR might have a solution/idea how to control weeds.
- 10. Boat loading repairs 2018 and beyond:** Would like to repair a pier per year. Would eventually like main landing to be moved – would expand parking area and improve the road.
- 11. Lake Website – meeting date, agenda, biggest Northern and Bass per Rosco:** Lamont Kiefer would like to speak with Rosco, from Rosco's Live Bait, to get updates on the largest Northern and Bass being caught in Lake Tomah. Kiefer would like to see this information on the Lake Tomah webpage. He would also like to see the minutes and agendas on the webpage.

12. **Tainter gate wrap up:** Done. Looks good. Pay request on way. Will take straight to City Council to get approved.
13. **Chairman's update:** Had meeting with the VA – would like to see the VA bring patients down to use new handicap pier. The VA is interested in utilizing this amenity. Kim Mello also spoke with the VA, offering as a volunteer to assist with the patients. Kiefer received a letter from a citizens complaining about herbicides/pesticides being spraying in the Township of Lagrange/edge of the City. Because this is happening in the Township of La Grange, there is nothing the City can do about the matter.
14. **Comments from the committee members regarding agenda it's for next meeting:** Next meeting date will be January, 2017.
15. **Adjourn:** Motion made to adjourn by Bruce Baker, seconded by Hal Burnhan. Motion passed unanimously.