

# Lake Committee

Call to Order/Roll Call: The Lake Committee met in regular session on Thursday, November 18, 2021, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Kiefer at 5:00 PM. Roll call was taken with Commissioners, Lamont Kiefer, John Rusch, Kim Mello, Hal Burnham, Duane Chapman and Lee Lang. Also present, Director Kirk Arity and City Administrator Brad Hanson. Warden Patrick Seybert appeared via zoom.

Motion made by Burnham, seconded by Mello to approve minutes from previous meeting. All ayes. Motion passed.

No new information on adaptive management plan, process is ongoing.

Warden Patrick Seybert replaced the special regulation signs around the lake. Water fowl hunting will continue until Dec 5<sup>th</sup> or the lake freezes over, whichever comes first. Warden contacted the owner of the broken blinds on the island. Owner stated they will get them cleaned up.

EcoSOAR presentation by Keith Boulais via zoom. Price of each machine is \$299,000. Machines last for 10+ years. Size of machine is 51" x 41" x 40" and weighs 1020 lbs., about the size of an air conditioning unit. EcoSOAR is willing to discuss options for price in exchange for data. Machine cannot run in winter unless machine is in a structure away from winter elements to prevent freezing. EcoSOAR will need sediment and water column samples to verify the machine would help.

Kirk received a proposal from Solar Bee. \$15,000 each year for 2 years. After the 2 years the city can buy the machines for the remaining balance or return the machines. In exchange, Lake Tomah would be a study point for Solar Bee. The study would be by observation only. This is information only and the Lake Committee is still looking into options.

Lake Committee is working with Park & Rec on designs for fishing pier(s) at the lake. A 40ft pier was quoted for \$40,000. Lake committee rejected that design. A donation by Lamont and Dilynn Kiefer was given for the construction of the fishing pier(s).

No boat dock approvals.

Chairman updates: Communicating with Jody on methods for weed control. Looking through archived research on the lake and what methods were done in the past for weed control. Landscape project will be ready for planting next fall.

Next meeting will be held on January 20, 2022 at 5:00PM.

Motion made by Baker, seconded by Burnham to adjourn at 7:14 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

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Casey Skowronski

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