

**WAPOA Board Meeting
November 16, 2017
Camp Knutson**

Directors Present: Tom Watson, Gary Olson, Pat Loban, Dave Topinka, Jeff Laurel, Fred Strohmeier, Tony Coffey, Joe Brodil, Brian Olson, Pam Vaughan

Directors Emeriti Present: Dave Fischer, Jim Brandt, MJ Schneider, Alan Sherburne

Excused: Jesse Eide

Others Present: Jim Schultz, Melissa Barrick

President Tom Watson called the business meeting to order at 9:00AM

Approval of Minutes:

MSC: Vaughn/Strohmeier to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2017 Board Meeting

Treasurer's Reports: Gary Olson reviewed the monthly/annual reports provided to the Board.

MSC: Laurel/Topinka to approve check register with deposits and checks #2709-2714

MSC: Brodil/Coffey to approve 2017 Year-to-Date reports

COMMUNICATION:

-FOH: The FOH contacted Tom last evening. The Evidentiary Hearings in St. Paul regarding the Line 3 FEIS will be continuing for a couple of extra days. FOH is in need of additional funding and Tom has asked them to provide additional information regarding their budget.

-Enbridge: WAPOA has been communicating with local governments and Lake Associations about submitting a resolution opposing the Enbridge Line 3 Project.

OLD BUSINESS:

A question was raised as to whether or not there was a charge for contacting RMB Labs with questions regarding water quality testing results. At this time Tom does not believe there will be a charge. The Water Quality Seminar put on by RMB labs was discussed in length with those attending agreeing that it was an excellent presentation. WAPOA needs to determine how to use the information in the most effective way to meet future water quality needs.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Resolution: See Attached Document

Tom reviewed the short and long versions of a resolution, e-mailed with agenda, expressing WAPOA's concerns and recommending denial of the Enbridge Energy new/expanded Line 3 Project was written. The attached longer version addresses opposition to both need and route while the shorter version addresses only an opposition to the route. Both have been submitted to Crooked Lake Township, the City of Crosslake, Ideal Township, City of Emily and the City of Fifty Lakes. Crooked Lake has approved their version of the resolution. Emily is working to get a route opposition approved. Following the City of Crosslake's tie vote (2-2) denying the

resolution opposing route, the Mayor of Crosslake may try to reconvene the City Council for a second vote regarding the resolution. Ideal Township has revised the shorter version and it should be approved on Monday. 5-6 Lake Associations are considering approving the resolution opposing the route.

MSC: Coffey/Vaughn to approve resolution recommending denial of Enbridge Energy new/expanded line 3 project need and proposed route.

PROGRAM REPORTS:

Membership: Membership mailings have been sent out and 20 of 90 businesses have responded. Dave will provide a list of businesses that have not renewed and if Directors have a relationship with any of the businesses they are encouraged to contact them. A recommendation was made to provide the Newsletter to all businesses.

AIS: Joe and 4 Detectors did an inspection around Cross Lake accesses for Eurasian Milfoil.

Natural Resources: Melissa Barrick reported that the Highway 66 Storm Water Project was delayed due to inclement weather. The east side Defender is operational and the west side will be completed in the spring.

Meeting adjourned at 10:03AM

Respectfully Submitted: Pat Loban, Secretary

Executive Committee Meeting: Friday December 1, 2017

Board Meeting: Thursday January 25, 2018 at 2:30PM Ideal Town Hall