## **Crescent Lake District**

## Regular Commissioners Meeting – 08/15/23

A Regular Meeting for the Crescent Lake District (CLD) Commissioners was called to order at 6:02 p.m. The meeting notices were posted as required. In-person attendance included Commissioners Tim Kilgore, Jim Ketterson, Dave Schwanz, Robb Jensen, Maria Rudesill and members of the public, Terry Goldbach (CLD AIS Response Team Coordinator), Donna Stone, Jim Gehrke, and Richard Smith. The Zoom option was not available for this meeting.

A motion was made by Robb to approve the agenda, seconded by Dave. Motion PASSED.

A motion was made by Dave to approve the minutes from the July 6, 2023 meeting, seconded by Jim. Motion PASSED.

During Public Comments, Richard Smith introduced himself as a resident at 2753 / 2755 Green Bass Road, on the NE corner of the lake. He brought up an issue of accumulating sludge along his shoreline that he believes is due to the chemical treatment process. Tim confirmed location and shoreline amount (270 feet) and thanked him for his comments. From the Oneida County resources, Robb will ask Stephanie from Oneida County Land and Water to investigate. Jim Gehrke shared as the representative from CB/CW that boat traffic seemed lighter on the southern end of the lake, with more activity on the northern portions. It's hard to compare to last year as the inspection hours are different, 7-7 (2022) vs 7-4 (2023).

As Chairperson, Tim shared that tonight's goal is to prepare a budget that gives a solid recommendation for electors at the upcoming Annual Meeting. It needs to be in the mail by Saturday.

As Treasurer, Jim reported that the current CLD balance is \$82,765.05. \$26,291.00 is due on August 20, so by the end of August, the CLD should have the balance of the tax revenue. All budget lines are under budget, including the estimated outstanding bills. The CLD will have a carryover of roughly \$71,000.00 for 2024.

As the County Representative, Robb shared that the County is dealing with the Minocqua Brewing Company issue, that the Land and Water budget seems to be acceptable, but the Planning and Zoning budget will need some tweaking. The topic of decks on flat top boat houses is being investigated as Oneida County does not have DNR-approval. An attorney will be looking at why we are not approved, but others are.

As the AIS Response Team Coordinator, Terry reported that the reimbursement request for the denied permit fee has been submitted. We have yet to receive any documents from the Record Request made to the DNR. There will be a fee for preparing those documents. Robb asked Terry to pay close attention as those charges can get high and to request a breakdown. The DNR meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup> seemed to indicate that there are more issues with walleye around the Midwest, than just Crescent Lake. It seemed to be an opportunity for the DNR to hold back treatment, but Terry didn't feel that a good reason was provided.

Based on the results from the Spring Meander Survey and the Fall plant survey, it seems that the EWM is concentrated in the area by the Hwy 8 Boat Landing. As expected, the area where the EWM is growing is

within the space requested for the 2023 treatment. The Fall map is showing it slowly creeping down the shoreline. The AIS Response Team recommends that, for 2024, the CLD reapply for the same permits as in 2023. There is a possibility that the permit request will be denied again in 2024, leading us to a potentially larger treatment need in 2025.

A discussion on the budget options followed. Jim K motioned to base the budget on a \$105,000 levy for 2024. Dave seconded. Robb abstained. Motion PASSED.

Supplies and printing tasks were delegated in preparation for completing the mailing for sending on Friday, August 18, 2023.

The next meeting is in-person on September 2, 2023 for the Annual Meeting at the Town Hall.

Meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson at 7:35 p.m.

Submitted by Maria Rudesill, CLD Secretary (09.08.23)