

Special Weed Assessment Meeting

For Devils Lake

January 23, 2018 at 4:00 PM

-Meeting was called to order at 4:00pm by Supervisor David.

Members present were Supervisor David, Treasurer Willett, Clerk Combs, Trustee Sayre and Walker. A quorum has been reached.

-Opening Statement by Supervisor David.

The purpose of this meeting is to hear objections to assessment roll. Devils Lake has about 550 lots which equals about 489 units. The estimated cost to treat the lake is \$22,000 which would be approximately \$50 per lake front lot. We have received no written objections to the roll.

Citizen comments:

-**Joe Ziegler**-What is your goal?

-**Supervisor David**-by treating the lake we have weeds under control at minimum cost.

-**Joe Ziegler**-how is this different on what LPL does?

-**Supervisor David**-The Township is responsible for treating the lakes. PLM acts separately to monitor water quality and other actions.

-**Joe Ziegler**-why wouldn't it bill all the boats on the lake?

-**Bruce Walker**-how would we do that?

-**Supervisor David**- There are many ideas on how to identify properties benefitted. No single method would make everyone happy. We have chosen a method that is straight forward and relatively easy to implement.

-**Jim Fernamberg**- Are we spending enough?

-**Supervisor David**- We do have monies in an account for additional treatment.

-**Supervisor David**- By treating the lakes the weeds are in control. The preservation League and DNR do not treat lakes, we recommended that we request more support from DNR.

- **Lynn Balice** -asked Steve from PLM about getting closer to shore line weeds, they could modify it.

-Resolution 2018-3 Devils Lake Weed Abatement Special Assessment District. A motion made by Willett and supported by Walker to approve the assessment roll as presented. Roll call, David-yes, Walker-yes, Willett-yes, Combs-yes, Sayre-yes. No nays, Resolution passed

-In discussion on selecting a contractor to treat the lake, Walker made a motion to retain PLM to provide lake treatment for 2 years with the potential to extend the contract for 5 years. Sayre seconded the motion. Roll call: David-yes, Sayre-yes, Walker-yes, Willett-yes, Combs- yes. No nays. Motion passed.

-Motion made by David, supported by Willett to issue a check for \$1,500.00 to the State of Michigan for a permit to treat the lakes in 2018 and mail to PLM once the treatment contract has been signed. Roll call; Sayre-yes, Walker-yes, Willett-yes, Combs-yes, David-yes. Sayre-yes. No nays, motion passed.

-Supervisor David adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Denice Combs, Rollin Township Clerk

Minutes approved;

Date: _____ Supervisor: _____ Clerk: _____