



*Lake Templene Improvement Board
P.O. Box 427
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**June 7, 2018 6:00 pm
Lake Templene Improvement Board Meeting
Nottawa Township Hall**

1. **Call to Order** by David Peterson Nottawa Twp. Supervisor, at 6:01 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call of Attendees** –Steve Wolf, Jeff Wenzel, David Peterson, and Bob Ulrich are all present. Dennis Allen absent
4. **Rules of Meeting**-Please turns off cell phones or takes calls outside of the meeting room. Comments limited to 3 minutes
5. **Approval of today's meeting agenda and the minutes from the May 3, 2018 LTIB meeting**- Jeff Wenzel asked that an additional agenda item relative to w-9 forms be added to the new business section. The agenda and May 3, 2018 draft minutes were approved for distribution on a motion by Steve Wolf, supported by Dave Peterson and all other board members.
6. **Treasurer's Report**-Jeff Wenzel reported that the beginning balance in the checking account for the Lake Templene Improvement Board totaled \$313, 986.11 as of April 25, 2018. The total ending balance as of June 7, 2018 is \$326, 613.11 Property owners are still catching up with their winter tax bills which includes the \$700 SAD for Lake Improvement projects.
7. **Payment of Bills**- Bills presented for payment by Jeffery Wenzel included \$11, 455 from Clarke Aquatic Services for our initial aquatic plant herbicide treatment on May 17, \$3,750 from Progressive AE for assistance in budgeting for 2018 with the Spicer Group, \$7,266. electric cost reimbursement to the 19 property owners hosting the aeration compressor stations., \$31, 620.25 to EasyPro Pond Products, for the initial bio-augmentation seasonal treatment of blended bacteria and AO fungal plus \$10, 175.00 to EasyPro Pond Products for 50% of the annual equipment servicing contract. The St. Joseph County treasurer requires a W-9 form from each property owner hosting an aeration station prior sending reimbursement checks. However, it is much easier to have the county treasurer send the total reimbursement check to the LTPOA who will then write individual checks to the individual. The LTPOA will furnish the EIN number and the W-9 form to St. Joseph County treasurer. On a motion by Bob Ulrich, supported by Steve Wolf and all other board members the payment of bills was approved
8. **Lake Templene Advisory Committee Report**-Jack Rote mentioned that aeration was started up for the season on May 10. One compressor failed after 4 days but EasyPro Pond Products will be servicing all compressors, air lines and diffusers the week of June 11. Shutting down the station in the NW bay and only utilizing bio-augmentation along Butternut Dr. will save us \$5,625 this season. Aquatic plant management is a hot topic this month with an explosion of milfoil on the east end of the lake and active algae present along Crystal Beach creating numerous

calls from home owners. Both Progressive AE and Clarke Aquatic Services responded quickly to our request for an immediate survey followed by an aggressive herbicide treatment covering a total 170.25 acres, our largest area covered in one treatment in our history. The cost will be ~\$80,000 with significant amounts of systemic herbicide utilized. The LTIB advisory group will meet prior to the August LTIB board meeting to develop recommendations for 2019.

9. **Old Business**-Even though the LTIB was formed back in 2012 new members offered Jack Rote the opportunity to refresh the Lake Templene Background & Plan for improving Lake Templene, especially a long term project to reduce the bottom sediment, mainly fibrous peat, initially utilizing dredging but eventually settling on a blended bacteria & AO fungal where bottom organic content was sufficient to feed the blended product and the water was relatively calm such as in our bays. Reducing the bottom sediment should lower the amount of nutrients available to aquatic plants helping to make our lake less weedy. Jack provided an updated May 2018 summary bound handout of all work to date to LTIB board members. Thanks Jack.
- 8 **New Business**-As noted in the treasurer's report the county cannot issue checks to individuals without having a W-9 form on hand. Bob Ulrich will furnish Jeff Wenzel with the LTPOA EIN (employer identification number) which will allow the county treasurer to provide one check to the LTPOA which will then be used to reimburse the aeration compressor station hosts.
- 9 **Public Comments**-none
- 10 **Adjournment**-Tonight's meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm on a motion by Jeff Wenzel, supported by Steve Wolf and all board members.

Next meeting date for the LTIB will be August 2, 2018 at Nottawa Township Hall. Starting time will be 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Bob Ulrich-secretary
June 7, 2018

Jack Rote and Shirley Betts also attended tonight's meeting.

These minutes were approved for distribution at the July 11, 2018 LTIB meeting
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