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## **Mission: To improve and preserve water quality of the Jefferson-German Chain of Lakes and advocate clean water for current and future generations.**

Date: March 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Ralph Redding, Board President
2. **Board Members Attending:** Ralph Redding, Dave Tripp, Rod Zick, Jamie Swenson, Carol Burns. Jill Steffen
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
   * Motion to approve: Jill; second: Jamie Approved
4. **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**
   * Motion to approve: Jill; second: Rod Approved
5. **Reports**
   * President’s Report: Ralph Redding
   * Treasurer’s Report: Dave Tripp
     + Hometown Bank:  $44,509.03
     + PayPal:                       $668.73
     + Accounts Payable:   $1,425.60 Wild Apricot; Two Insurance Policies coming up in April (D&O, and Business Comp = approximately $1,200 for both).
     + 2nd Account:  "AIS Fund" is in its final phase. It should be finalized within a week, with the initial deposit from our General Fund to the new AIS Fund of  $13,988.59.   Ralph has a few checks to deposit from 2021, and AIS Coordinator Ryan Mattison is owed $126.92 for postcards/postage.
     + The 2021 Treasurer's Report and 2022 Budget were approved at the January 20th Board Meeting, and the FINAL is attached.
   * Motion to approve: Ralph; Second: Jamie Approved

**Old Business**

* AIS Curly-leaf management
  + AIS Participants and GJGLA Membership:
    - Of the 136 people on Middle Jefferson, West Jefferson, and Jefferson Shores (East Jefferson) who participated in the 2021 Treatment Program, 34% were current Paid-Up Members (46).  Nine more were expired Members from 2016-2020; if you count them in the formula then 40% of those sprayed are/were GJGLA members.   See Attachment.
    - The 2014-2021 AIS Weed Treatment Program chart is also attached.
  + AIS Special Meeting: Ralph has requested that the Board meet in April to discuss our AIS Treatment Program and set standards for the 2023 Season.  YES, the Board does need to have a thoroughly understandable and transparent process for the future.
  + Set a date for discussion of the rules and implementation procedures going forward
    - Motion to create an AIS committee: Jill; Second: Carol Approved
      * Committee Members appointed: Jill, Dave, Ralph, Ryan
* Follow-up with Holly on Watercraft inspection program
  + Le Sueur County was awarded $148,000 in 2021. 9.7% was spent on administration of the AIS Prevention Aid efforts. 68.3 % was used for watercraft inspections by 34 Level 1 inspectors. Additional funds were used to support several local law enforcement officers who conducted inspections at random times in support of inspectors who were harassed by boat owners. Additional safety training will be provided to inspectors this year. Holly was grateful for our offer to post AIS information to our Facebook page and website.
    - Carol will represent the board on the AIS Prevention Advisory Committee
* Facebook and website clean-up
  + Website has new tab for Minutes which are being added as Dave locates older minutes. Higher priority information has been moved to the top of site.
  + Facebook posts related to AIS spraying and new water testing program have been added.
  + Information to be posted on web and Facebook for membership education should be directly related to our mission statement.
* Review of brainstorm list from 2021
  + At our next meeting, can we discus garbage left on lake by ice fishermen? Perhaps add trash containers at launches?
  + Bait depository at launches?

**New business**

* Purchase of Zoom
  + Motion to purchase Zoom for board meetings: Jill; Second: Ralph Approved
    - Carol will purchase Zoom subscription and send receipt to Dave
* Plans for May annual meeting—May 28 at 10:00
  + Location: Dave will contact Marysburg Church Hall
  + Speakers: Ralph will contact them
    - County Commissioner
    - Sheriff/Water Sheriff
    - Holly- request AIS signs for distribution
    - Lake Improvements
    - Mike Schultz
    - Waterville Fishery
    - AIS on/off-shore programs
  + Overhead projector
    - Jamie can project from her computer
  + Slides for projector
    - Carol and Jamie collaborate

Next Board Meeting:

Adjournment

* Motion to adjourn: Jill; Second: Jamie Adjourned at 6:46 pm