LMBIA Meeting Minutes January 16, 2024

Members attending meeting: Kristin, Rob, Don, John, Jeff, Curt, Brian, Bill Guests attending the meeting: Scott Quast and Lagoon residents.

Kristin called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the November meeting were read with Don making a motion to approve and Curt seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

No treasurer's report was submitted.

Jeff reported that data was being gathered so that the directory could be out by Memorial Day.

Kristin reported that the first round of the 2024 grant was approved by Meeker County. She also indicated that a DNR grant had been applied for in November but no word had yet been received concerning its approval.

Brian gave a report on proposed changes to this year's DNR landing inspection hours. Those changes included extending inspections from mid-May through mid-September from the hours of 6 am to 8 pm at an additional cost of \$19,100.

Kristin gave a newsletter report and indicated that the newsletter was mostly ready and Brian was going to add a SSW article to it.

Brian outlined a strategic plan for dealing with SSW detection at the landings. First objective was to develop an early detection corps which would include training volunteers in May. Second objective was to hire dive teams to inspect the area around the landings for SSW infestations. A motion was made by Brian and seconded by Bill to spend up to \$4,000 for SSW dive inspections. The motion was approved. Brian also presented an action plan for educating lake residents and the Greenleaf Township Board concerning the threat of SSW in preparation for the township board's February meeting where they will be deciding how much access to grant at the east and west landings.

Bill suggested developing an ongoing fund raising mechanism to help support the added expenditures incurred in the fight to prevent a lake SSW infestation.

The lagoon residents who were in attendance were looking for help in deepening the mouth to the lagoon. The board offered to look into what had been done previously when the lagoon mouth was dredged.

Scott Quast presented a case for keeping the west landing open to off lake residents which involved him doing the boat inspections. The board offered an alternative which involved keeping the west landing closed to all boat traffic but placing a dock for use by the off lake

residents. Mr. Quast and the board were unable to reach an agreement concerning the west landing access.

Board decided to keep most monthly meetings at Shaggy's but will meet in quieter locations if the need should arise.

Motion made by Brian and seconded by Rob to donate \$20 to Beckville Lutheran Church for use of their meeting room. Motion was approved.

Motion made by Bill and seconded by Curt to adjourn the meeting. Motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted, John Gillard, "Acting" Secretary