

CLEAR LAKE ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
September 24, 2006
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CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Davis called the meeting to order at 1:15P

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: President, Bob Davis, Vice President, Willy Snyman, Vice President, Bob Fagan, Secretary, Linda Reed, Treasurer, Mary Griffin & Members at Large, Bob Reed, & Claude Pepper/Jane Pepper

RESIDENTS PRESENT: See attached list

READING OF LAST YEARS MINUTES: Linda Reed read 2005 Annual Meeting Minutes.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: Bob Davis suggested that aerial pictures be taken yearly for 3 years to track the weevil progress. He also reported that the Reparian Magazine would be receptive to an article about our weevil program. Bob Fagan will contact EnviroScience to see if they might arrange for aerial pictures and write an article.

TREASURER: Mary Griffin gave the treasures report. See attached

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

HISTORIAN: Dorothy Berkey introduced Kelly Thompson who is working with her on our lake history. More lake history information is needed and Kelly ask for assistance in finding pictures and history. She works at Ferris and can be reached by phone: W: 591-5375 or H: 796-2641 or E-mail: thom30@ferris.edu

WEED CONTROL COMMITTEE: Bob Fagan gave an update on our Weevil program:

1. 18,500 weevils were planted mid summer
2. 4 buoys mark the location of the weevil plantings. A 5th buoy, just E of the public access, was placed so EnviorScience can measure how long it takes the weevils to reach that location.
3. Don't drive boats between the buoys and the shore to avoid damaging the weevils. It was noted that the S. W. buoy is missing.
4. Enviroscience will monitor our lake in the fall and spring for a 3 year period to ensure the weevils are doing what they are suppose to do.
5. The weevils will spread out about 20 yards this season. When it's cold enough, they will move to shore and bury in the sand for the winter. Come spring, they will work their way back into the lake.
6. **IMPORTANT**...Do **NOT** rake weeds or use chemicals next spring. The weevils like space and will begin to spread out and so can be any place. We want them to eat and multiply so don't want to loose or damage any of them.
7. The weevils eat the veins inside the stem which kills the plant. When one plant in dead, they move on to the next plant.

It was ask, if later, once the program is established, can we do something to clean, what appears to be dying stuff, from the surface of the lake. Bob reported that duck weed holds milfoil. There is a chemical that can be sprayed on duck weed that won't harm the weevils. Bob is going to check into this spray. However, we will not put anything in the lake that is a risk to the weevils or people.

ENVIRONMENTALIST REPORT: Claude Pepper reported:

1. Lilly pads- pulling or cutting off the heads, just below the surface is the best method of control. If cutting, avoid cutting milfoil as that only spreads the milfoil as well as could disturb weevils next year.
2. Loosestrife- the use of chemicals could harm the weevils next year so pulling and burning is the only control option. If the plants have flowered, cut the flower/seed head into a plastic bag and then pull the plant, this will avoid spreading seeds when pulling.
3. Hydrilla- is another invasive plant which needs to be controlled. Handouts were provided last year on how to identify and report to MSU research group. We are not aware of having this plant on our lake but please watch and report if find.

REPORT OF AD HOC COMMITTEES:

1. Resident List Update—Claude Pepper reported that several Resident lists can be found on each table. Please review, forgive errors and give us corrections. We will keep working to improve this list.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President, Bob Davis:

1. Reviewed sections of the Bylaws pertaining to terms of office and officer responsibilities.
2. President: Bob announced that he would be leaving office but remaining on as Member at large per Bylaws. He asked for nominations for President. C. Pepper nominated Rob Reed who accepted the nomination and was elected.
3. Vice President: Willy Snyman has resigned but will remain on the board as a Member at Large and Co Vice President, Bob Fagan will continue as Vice President.
4. Secretary: Linda Reed has resigned office but will remain a Member at Large. Nominations were opened and J. Pepper nominated Pam Hughes for secretary. Pam accepted the nomination and was elected.
5. Treasurer: Mary Griffin is willing to stay on as treasurer unless someone else would like the position. There were no volunteers. Mary will remain in the position.
6. Members At Large: Bob Davis, Willy Snyman, Linda Reed, & Claude & Jane Pepper

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Buying the Public Access: Bob Fagan contacted our DNR representative. He does not support giving up the Public Access and will not support it with the Governor. He retires in Dec. Rob Reed suggested that more information needs to be gathered before entertaining such a proposal.

NEW BUSINESS: None

NEXT MEETING: Rob Reed reported that our Bylaws require two (2) meetings per year. We will tentatively plan one for the Last Sunday in May and one for the last Sunday of August.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2P