

Goose Bay Reclamation Meeting

May 19, 2015 - Tuesday

McSherry Library - 7pm

Present: Larry and Jill Partridge, Laurie Andre-Amis, Carol and Bob Lamoureux, and Deborah Scholes

September Minutes read and accepted

Treasures Report – \$27,766.54 deposited +\$186.80 disbursed -\$1,341.07 = Total Balance of May 19, 2015 - \$26,632.27

Bob thanked everyone for their efforts in the permit process for DEC.

Old Business

Permit Process - Bob went over the permit process and displayed the book with various information which there is 10 copies going to various organizations. Rob Freeze sent a response back with a request to redo the map of the treatment area which Stewart did and sent back. Map includes 90 acres at this time.

Mailings - Of 135 mailings that were sent out to alert Goose Bay residents of the permit and process of applying the herbicide only two people responded negatively Mark and Karen Davis and Elizabeth and Gerald Williams whose concerns were answered by DEC.

Signage – must have signs at every road access to Goose Bay and a floating sign outlining the treated area. Bob will continue to research what they have to say and color and size of the signs and letters. We also must hand deliver to every island a letter because some residents may travel to their islands by the main channel. Signs could be out for a week or up to 120 days.

Carol volunteered to make the signs when DEC approves appropriate language.

Water – both drinking and irrigation water needs to be available to any resident who may require water to substitute for the water that residents are using out of the Bay during the time of application.

Grants – Bob stated after following up on the grants from Senator Richie, \$25,000.00 and \$75,000.00, and found out there were some glitches, we do have the \$25,000.00 grant but, we are not sure yet about the \$75,000.00 which \$25,000 of that is not available until 2016.

Cost of Treatment – in round numbers the cost is \$48,000 for 64 acres, herbicide and application. Storage of the herbicide was discussed and Laurie said they could store the herbicide in her garage, on Purpura Road which is close to the Bay and have access to the docks there.

Extra Costs - DEC requires that testing be completed at 48 and 72 hours after application and then weekly until conditions outlined in the permit are met. Three separate samples, treatment area, boat launch and mouth of bay, will be collected and tested by independent laboratory. Testing cost are \$110 per sample and approximately \$50 to overnight samples to laboratory in North Carolina. We expect to spend over \$3,000.00 for testing, permits and signs. A lot more expense than what was anticipated.

Suggestions – Carol suggested that large containers of water be put on their dock and people help themselves. More discussion took place and was decided to table the discussion.

Bob said Mud Lake has 12 bags of renovate (480 lbs) because they didn't did not plan to apply the herbicide this year. He will contact Lee Harper to determine its availability..

Carol brought up the June newsletter asking for membership and possible adding the need more money. Bob said it is a great idea along with putting it on the website.

Fund Raising

The raffle is ready to go, Laurie and Pam have great prizes, a Kayak and paddle, Grill from Garlocks, a season of boat storage from Brent Sweet, River watch from Moshers, Galaxy Tablet and cover, Matt Heath fishing guide Muskie fishing for four. Tickets will be ready by this Memorial Day weekend and you can choose anyone of the prizes. She has a signup sheet for individuals to help sell at different locations and dates. Discussion took place over transporting the items from place to place.

Social Boat Cruise - Clayton Island Tours, where Debbie works, has donated a boat cruise around Goose bay and area. Boat holds 57 passengers and cruise would be 2-3 hours. Date is set for June 27th 5-8pm, there will be live music and everyone will BYOB board members bring a dish to pass.. As of today there is 17 people purchased tickets. Pick up places will be determined by tickets sales.

Laurie mentioned maybe a golf tournament for next year.

Laurie displayed the banner she purchased for us to have at all the events.

Next Meeting June 16th 7pm Mcsherry Library

Meeting was adjourned 8:45pm motion by Jill and seconded by Laurie.