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## Outcome Documents –March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 5:00-6:00 pm,**  
Meeting at Kanabec SWCD Office

Kanabec County - Coalition of Lake Associations (COLA)  
Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)

Kanabec Lake Associations:  
Ann Lake Watershed Alliance  
Fish Lake Improvement Assn.  
Knife Lake Improvement District  
Lewis Lake Assn.  
Pomroy Lake Assn.  
Quamba Lake Assn.  
Kanabec Rivers

**Kanabec County COLA Identity:** Concerned citizens of the lakes in Kanabec County working towards better water quality for the common good. Focusing on preventing the introduction and limiting the spread of AIS.

### **Outcome Documents:**

#### **Meeting called to order at 5:00pm**

In Attendance: Dennis McNally, County Commissioner; Deanna Pomije, Kanabec SWCD; Jon Sanford, Kanabec SWCD Supervisor; Oren Larson\*, Lewis Lake; Jim Kutil, Fish Lake; Chris Jahnke, Pomroy Lake; Paul Weingart, Kanabec Rivers

\*Remote attendees

Civic Organizing Purpose: To broaden governing responsibility to include those impacted, but not replacing existing governing responsibilities of board members and supervisors.

### **Agenda Items:**

1. Call Meeting to Order – 5:00 PM
  - Pledge to the Flag
  - Introductions, if new members present,
  - Roll Call
2. \*Approve Agenda – Any additions  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Weingart to approve the agenda with additions. Motion passed.
3. \*Approve outcomes, January 13, 2022 - corrections and additions?  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke to approve the outcomes from our Jan. 13, 2022, meeting. Motion passed.
4. \*Treasurer's Report  
Any invoices from Lake Associations? None brought forward.  
Expenses for boat inspectors, 2 umbrellas \$47.22

Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke to accept the treasurers report and approve the boat inspector umbrella expenses for \$47.22. Motion passed.

5. \*Proposal for setting maximum carry over amounts (~\$5,000) from year to year unless Lake Association has long term plan for spending. – Discuss  
The proposal for setting a maximum carry over of \$5,000 for any lake assn. AIS balance to carry forward from year to year. If passed, options were presented to recalculate the budget totals incorporating this new amount or setting aside a Left-Over Fund for the board to decide how to spend.  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke for setting a maximum carry over of \$5,000 for any lake assn. AIS balance to carry forward from year to year and for the new funds be placed in a Left-Over Fund for the AIS/SWCD board to decide how to spend. Motion passed.
6. \*2022 Boat Inspectors – update on hiring 2 inspectors  
SWCD Board 1/18 approved \$14.50 & 15/ hr. rates (returning inspectors) – need \$550 to support this  
Pomije reviewed that at the Jan. SWCD Board it was approved to hire the boat inspectors at the \$14.50 & 15/ hr. rates (returning inspectors). Do fund this an added \$550 is calculated to be needed. There are a few options on where from the budget to pull these needed funds: the contingency fund, the decontamination unit fund or the education funds.  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke for approving to pull the needed \$550 for the boat inspector 2022 salaries from the education fund. Motion passed.
7. \*2022 AIS Budget (Open Discussion)  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke to approve the 2022 AIS budget as presented with the above changes as discussed and approved. for setting a maximum carry over of \$5,000 for any lake assn. AIS balance to carry forward from year to year and for the new funds be placed in a Carry-Over Fund for the AIS/SWCD board to decide how to spend. Motion passed.
8. AIS Coverage on lakes without Lake Assn. (Lake 5 & 11)  
Motion by Kutil, seconded by Jahnke to approve the outreach to Lakes 5 and 11 to engage them their interest in joining and/or using the AIS funds on their lakes. Motion passed. McNally provided Pomije with a couple of names from these lakes to start contacting (e.g., potato lake).
9. Decontamination Unit – next steps  
This item was tabled until a discussion for the May AIS-COLA meeting. Pomije will plan to bring information on the CD-3 units for this discussion. Another option are the simple tool units used at some WI lake access sites.

#### **Lake Assn. Check-Ins / Discussion:**

- ✓ Each Lake Assn. open to discuss concerns they have & report on activities
  - Jim Kutil from Fish Lake said they are planning to survey and spray for curly leaf pond weed in May. Also looking into a carp survey (Sept-Oct) with an estimated cost of \$3,000 and \$5,000 for carp removal. The market is 10 cents / lb. carp currently.
  - Oren Larson from Lewis said they are planning to spray curly leaf on 4.6 acres this year from their weed delineation from 2021.

**Other Items:**

10. Open Public Comment Period – none present
11. Meeting Evaluation / Share around the table – How did things go? Were you heard?  
Did the agenda items get covered?
12. Next scheduled meeting: **May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, from 5-6pm, in person meeting SWCD Office or remotely with WebEx

\*Motion to adjourn:

Motion by Weingart, seconded by Kutil to adjourn our COLA-AIS meeting. Motion passed.

**Meeting Adjourned 6:18 PM**

**Kanabec County - Coalition of Lake Assn. (COLA) - Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)**

**Purpose Statement:** Meet regularly utilizing civic standards to organize ourselves, building capacity and infrastructure as needed to support our goals in leading toward better water quality through a focus on Aquatic Invasive Species.

**Civic Standards:**

1. All those impacted by the problem are stakeholders. Together they define the problem, set goals and work toward solutions as active citizens.
2. The stakeholders are accountable for contributing resources (leadership/time, knowledge, constituencies and dollars) to solve the problem for the common good.
3. All stakeholders are engaged in making decisions and policies that contribute to the common good.
4. All stakeholders agree to be transparent throughout this process. We agree to implement policies where we individually have the authority to act.