



MINUTES

August 29, 2018

- Present:* Nan Olson-Chair, Jim Krueger-Vice Chair, Jeremy Oswald-Board of Supervisor District #5, Sally Pease;
Andrew Teal-AIS Coordinator; Reed Saam-Red Cliff Natural Resources Dept., Gabrielle VanBergen-Red Cliff Treaty Natural Resources Division Project Coordinator; Jim Giffin-Lake Minnesuing Sanitary District/Douglas Co, Robert Liebermann-Washburn Ranger District Ecologist, Ramona Shackelford-NCWMA Coordinator (9:25am); Melissa Kraft-LWCD Assistant
1. **Call to Order:** Nan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
 2. **Introductions:** Brief introductions were conducted.
 3. **Public Comment:** None.
 4. **Motion:** Approve minutes from May 23rd, 2018. **Pease/Jeremy** – carried.
 5. **Grant Updates:** Andy noted AIS Grant #5 has \$22,896.80 remaining, which we anticipate will carry the program through the end of 2018. We will begin the process of writing a new grant for 2019-2021 soon. Letters of support are appreciated and may be necessary to land a grant award. Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) Iron River has \$8,077.79 remaining. This will likely last until close to the end of September at the current rate. Clean Boats Clean Waters-Lake Superior has \$4,848.73. This will also likely last until close to the end of September at the current rate. Andy requested an extension for Codi Caracci's employment until then or unless funding is exhausted. The Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area grant for the Boat Wash Unit has \$17,732.61. These funds are mostly for the operation of the boat wash unit itself, though some can go to the Northwoods CWMA Coordinator for coordinating, and to maintenance.
 6. **Discussion/possible action: Citizen Committee member search/confirmation-**Still looking for a replacement for this spot on the committee. Members will continue outreach.
 7. **Discussion/possible action: Review new draft of the No Transport Ordinance-**Andy has been working on revisions to the ordinance that hasn't been updated in 9 years. He added more definitions; Title 16 hadn't been listed on Bayfield Co Ordinance webpage; added information on rentals; decontamination and new species and pathways of introduction; and added enforcement information. Nan expressed concern that the changes may be too lengthy now and should be kept simple and understandable. Jeremy noted to get the Sheriff's Office opinion on the section dealing with enforcement. Andy will continue to work on revising it and will keep the committee updated when completed.
 8. **Discussion: Advocating for creation of full-time lakes specialist position in Bayfield County-** Discussion that a Lake Conservation Specialist position was presented in the LWCD 2019 Budget proposal and brought before the LCC last week and was approved to pass on to full board. The AIS Committee would like an action item for the next meeting on the issue for their support to be noted and a formal resolution of support stating this AIS body supports establishment of the position. Meeting date set for Sept. 12th, 2018, at 9 am for action on these items.
 9. **Discussion: Bayfield County AIS Grant application and seeking match to apply-** Discussed need for letters of support regarding match with specific type of match and specific amounts noted. Grant deadline is Dec. 10th, 2018. Discussion of possible contact groups for support.
 10. **AIS Coordinators Report-**Andy Teal reviewed his report and is on file.

11. **Partner/Department Reports-** Nan Olson noted their Lake Association recently held a 25th year anniversary. Jim Giffin mentioned he participated in a lot of yellow iris removal. Jim Krueger stated they recently held their annual meeting with 55 in attendance. He noted they discussed zebra mussel awareness. Sally reported she recruited a couple new volunteers. She also reported diver was able to do some milfoil removal this summer. Sally and Andy will participate in the upcoming fall LEEP day. Gabrielle and Reed have been working on a number of projects including the phragmites project at the wastewater treatment plants, also conducted fishery surveys & collected weed samples & tows that have been sent to labs. Gabrielle invited the committee to attend the Invasive Species ID Days on Sept 21 & Oct 12th as she will be displaying the phragmites project. Robert Liebermann reported he Ramona provided DNR grant updates, and noted she has been busy with garlic mustard, knotweed, mapping, contacting landowners, budget review, and preparing her newsletter.
12. **Future AIS Activities-** A.) LEEP indoor labs and Field Day, Barnes, dates TBD. B.) Invasive Species ID Days, NGLVC on Sept. 21st, and Oct. 12th (October's date will be the Student Science Research Symposium). C.) Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference, Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, MN on Oct. 15th-18th, 2018. D.) Lake Superior Collaborative Symposium, NGLVC on Oct 24-25th, 2018.
13. **Other Business-** Jim Giffin asked for suggestions on how to approach landowners unwilling to allow for removal/and or treatment of invasive species on their property.

Brief discussion on the flood damage around Pigeon Lake area.
14. **Adjournment-** Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am. Motion to adjourn **Pease/Olson**.
15. **Next meeting date: Special meeting date set for Wednesday, Sept. 12th, 2018 at 9AM, in EOC** in the Bayfield County Annex Building. Future regular AIS meeting date: **Wednesday, Nov. 28th, 2018 at 9AM**.