

## **Papakeechie Protective Association**

**LAPSI Team Meeting 10/4/13, 7:00pm**

### **Minutes**

Attendees (Alphabetically): Kendall Floyd, Mack & Jodi Hedges, Anthony Serianni, Diane Tulloh, Jerry Yoder

#### **Old Business:**

##### **Water Testing**

Diane, Jodi and Mack performed some additional E Coli testing. Diane reviewed the test dishes with the owner of Micrology Laboratories, the supplier of our Easygel E Coli tests. He showed her how to tell the difference between E Coli and other coliforms. Our tests showed very little E Coli. We may want to rethink some of our test locations, at least for E Coli. The closer to shore the better, although according to Micrology Labs we should be able to detect a leaking septic system 50 feet from shore. We may also want to specifically add points closer to the inlets, including the one by holiday lane. We also discussed the possibility of taking samples on the upstream side of our inlets (the game reserve side).

The team also did dissolved Oxygen (DO) in the main basin. The middle section showed higher levels of O<sub>2</sub> at deeper depths than previous measurements. This could indicate the start of fall turnover. The next day Diane couldn't get the DO meter to calibrate. Then she wasn't able to borrow it again due to the government shutdown. They still hope to do some more DO before the freeze. To use the DO meter for ppm you have to have a control sample to calibrate the meter. If we wanted to buy our own meter they run close to \$2,000.

The team are still compiling their test findings.

Protocols: Tony said our testing protocols haven't yet been properly vetted. They are first drafts and have been sent back to Hannah for modification.

Again we talked about future testing for P & N and possibly chlorophyll.

##### **Seminars:**

Tony got a projector (for his lab) but we can use it when we need it. We tested it at the end of the meeting for viability and it worked fine in the PPA room. John was going to invite Carl Kyper.

We need to start a running list of possible speakers (I have started to compile this list - kaf.)

##### **Finance:**

Tony's lab paid for the E Coli test kits.

## **New business:**

### **Finance:**

Next year: We currently have about \$2,500 remaining in current funds. Tony plans on making another \$2,000 donation with the expectation of a PPA board match. John is checking on the board match. Tony will look into grant possibilities in Nov – Dec. He also talked a lot with WACF about Grants as they have a lot of contacts. We may be able to partner with them, especially since WACF is genuinely interested in our lake.

**Watershed certification:** Purdue program. (See Tony's e-mail). You get to network but also learn a lot. Tony called there and found:

You must register by 11/1. The program starts in Jan and runs through May. Restriction: you must attend 3 face-to-face meetings across state (one of which is Indianapolis, etc...). Tony can't make first meeting, but they said somebody else could stand in for him. It was even suggested that somebody on the PPA board should go.

**PPA Board Meetings** - PPA board wants a LAPSI person at each board meeting.

**Wikipedia** – Kendall made some positive progress. He will compile the material supplied by Mark and the forward out to the team for review and suggestions.

**WACF Meeting** – Tony: They are very welcoming to Tony and have invited him to several activities. He feels that we should probably reciprocate. He tentatively invited Diane (from WACF) to our LAPSI meetings but needed to talk it over with our group first. Regardless of what we decide, the board will need to approve of this as well. We can definitely learn from WACF.

**Papakeechee Documentation and Archives:** (Info from Ron Corson archives): Diane and Jodi – They have been gleaning Ron's documents and making copies of anything related to sustainability. They have compiled a stack of information, mostly material regarding weed control and water testing, but also some information on fish. Once they are done going through Ron's documents we will review the extracted material as a group. Tony stated that our goal is to ascertain a historical context of our current work but also to have a track record of what was done in the past. One preliminary key finding is that the Association did a lot of this type of work 35 years ago. We currently don't have any plans to disseminate archival findings beyond LAPSI. We reiterated that the original goal of this task is the building a central repository of all of the lake information.

**Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting: Yes**

**Next LAPSI meeting: 7:00pm on 11/8/13 at PPA Building.**

Next Board Meeting: November 9 at 8:00am in the North Webster Community Center - Dave Hewitt's Office