Public Hearing Proposed Callahan/ Mud Lake District

Saturday July 22, 2017

Hearing began at 5:05 p.m. with 33 people in attendance.

Town Chairman Rolfe Hanson outlined format that would be used for hearing. Each individual allowed to speck once – time limit maximum 5 minutes. Hanson also ask that all present be respectfully of others in attendance and there opinions.

Clerk McCoy indicated that hearing was noticed using class one notice as required and all property owners within the district had also been properly noticed.

Not all in attendance wished to speak or indicated they were in favor or opposed to District creation.

The following individuals did speak in favor or indicated they were in favor of District: Joanne Leifhert, Karen Brohaugh, Roy Brohaugh, Pat Gleason, Carolyn Russell, Dan Russell, Denise Kohl, Vickie Palya, Denny Toll, and Al Zeitlow. Those speaking in favor: On going need to treat Eurasian Milfoil and the ability to have a reliable source of funds to continue to do this. Consequent of not continuing to treat Milfoil along with Decline in property values this could cause. Condition of Lake prior to when treatment of Milfoil was began. Lack of D.N.R. funding - harder to write completive grants. Fairness everyone pays the same for the good of the lake.

The following individuals spoke in opposition or indicated they were in opposition to District formation: Dave Robsinson, Patrick Stangl, Bill Donley, Ken Pederson, Tom Digiorgio, Janet Bluhm, and Greg Eisole. Those speaking in opposition: Questioned legality of petition and it's compliance with Chapter 33 requirements along with how votes were counted (especially non-votes). D.N.R. grant funding is available - offer by agency representative to help protective district write better grant. Opposed to more regulation (another layer of government), and increased taxes. Association / District problems - decline in membership (alienation of members) resulting in decreased funding for Milfoil treatment. Concerns about amount of money the District could levy and what District could levy for.

Several individual expressed concerns about use of chemicals for treatment of Milfoil – effect on environment.

Letters / and or e-mail were received in favor of district from: Karen Brohaugh, Joe & Louann Lewandowski, Tim & Marjorie Tyler, and Pierre Boudreau.

Letter/ and or e-mails were received in opposition to district from: Dave Robinson, Pat Stangle, Dale & Crystal Weis, David DiSera, and Bill Donley.

The hearing ended at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McCoy, Clerk Town of Round Lake