

**Lake Superior Commercial Fishing Board Meeting
October 21, 2020 5 p.m. Skype**

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Lake Superior Commercial Fishing Board Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** Board President Craig Hoopman called the meeting to order 5:00 PM
2. **Roll Call Present:** Mr. Bill Bodin, Ms Maurine Halvorson, Mr. Craig Hoopman
Also present: WiDNR- Lake Superior Fishery Supervisor-Mr. Brad Ray, WDNR-Biologist- Mr. Carl Dray, Secretaries Director for the Northern Region- Mr. James Yach, WiDNR Conservation Wardens- Bob Stroess and Rick Peters
Citizens Present: Mr. Mark Halvorson, Ms Jessica Resac
3. **Meeting posting:** Mr. Ray confirmed the meeting was posted on the WiDNR calendar.
4. **Agenda Approval:** Moved by Mrs. Halvorson to approve. Second Mr. Bodin; Motion carried unanimously.
5. **01152020 Meeting Minutes Approval:** Moved by Mrs. Halvorson to approve. Second Mr. Bodin; Motion carried unanimously.
6. **Chairman & Board Member Communications:** No communications were brought to the table.
7. **Public Comment:** No communications were brought to the table.
8. **General Business Discussion:**
 - 8.1 **Old Business:**
 - 8.1.1 **Possible Action: Vacant LSCFB Commercial Fisherman seat:** The Board decided to encourage Cliff Halvorson to apply for the vacant seat and have Brad Ray send an email with the link to apply.
 - 8.2 **New Business**
 - 8.2.1 **Discussion: Electronic Reporting Update and rule process:** Brad Ray explained the current situation with the EFHRS web-based reporting and explained the usefulness. Discussion from the board on connectivity issues and needing an application, that it seems like double the work because effort is to be entered prior to docking but weights are due at a different time, concerns that it will require longer time on the water, and that the fishery on Lake Superior is different than Lake Michigan and there is no need to have consistency in reporting. The board prefers to maintain paper reporting.
 - 8.2.2 **Discussion: Updates on Rule process related to quotas for Lake Trout and Cisco:** Brad Ray explained the populations of lake trout and cisco are lower than the current harvest limits can support, and the quotas need to be reduced to maintain sustainability. Discussion from the board around frustration with potential lower harvest limits.
 - 8.2.3 **Discussion: LSCFB follow-up for next meeting:** No action to be taken.

9. **Set Next Meeting date: Tentative Wednesday, January 20, 2021 5:00 p.m. @
WiDNR Bayfield field office**
10. **Adjournment:** Motion by Mr. Bodin, Second Ms Halvorson. Motion carried.