Minutes of the August 13, 2011 General Meeting of the Windemere Lake & Landowners Association

The meeting held in the Social Hall of Hope Lutheran Church was called to order at 9:05 AM by Chair Barb Krig.

The minutes of the July 9, 2011 General Meeting prepared by Secretary Pauline Dee were read by Chair Krig and approved.

Treasurer Janette Muller reported $14805.21 in the general fund, $245 in the memorial fund, $8047.55 in the milfoil fund and $247.23 in the water quality fund for a total of $23344.99. Janette also reported that she had paid Lake Management $6319.45 for the treatment of Sturgeon Lake.

Janette as chair of the Membership Committee reported a total membership of 177 with lake representation as follows: Island 34, Sand 73, Sturgeon 68 and other lakes 3.

Committee Reports:

Education: no report

Brush: Dennis Huddleston reported that he had volunteers for August & September.

Road Pick Up: Shirley LaFond reported that the second pick up after July 4 had been completed and reported to the state.

Lakes: Ron Hansen reported for Steve Kozak. Sturgeon was treated by Lake Management on Friday August 5. Four board members were at the landing to observe the treatment. Lake Management also treated the on shore landowners that had permits for treatment. Pauline Dee was informed that our application for state funding had still not been approved. As was approved at the July meeting the association authorized the treatment without having the grant approved. Sand was inspected July 21, 2011 by Deb Sewell from DNR Fisheries. Maps were distributed showing the locations where minor amounts of Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) were found. The largest spot was at the north end of the lake were about a ½ acre was found. Volunteer divers will again attempt to remove the small patches. Ron Hansen, Chip Wells and Sam Martin from the Pine Soil and Water District toured Island Lake on August 4th. Most of the properties were using some shore land buffers. Ron suggested that the phosphors load on the lake might be reduced by people removing leaves and cut grass from their property to prevent nutrients from leaching in the lake.

Chair Krig suspended the business meeting to permit our local government officials Curt Rossow, Pine County Commissioner and Clair Strandlie, Windemere Township Supervisor to make presentations and answer questions.

At the conclusion of the presentations the business meeting was reconvened and addressed the election of board members. Greg Carlson, Pauline Dee, Ron Goettsch, Dennis Huddleston, Barb Krig, Tom Landsberger and Janette Muller have terms that expire in August of 2011. All are willing to continue to serve on the board. Chair Krig asked for any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations. The above members were approved for a new term to expire August 2013.
Old Business: The Chair addressed the issue of trash containers at the public landings. Further investigation revealed that this had been tried in the past and led to a significant increase in dumping at the landings. We will not pursue this idea. Barb Krig discussed the amendment to the bylaws that was announced at the July meeting. It was approved that the second sentence of Article V, section 2 b. “They are required to meet at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled time of any general or special general meeting to prepare an agenda.” be stricken from the bylaws.

New Business: Dennis Huddleston suggested it would be good to increase our membership. The matter was referred to the next board meeting. Jerry Blazevic moved that the annual membership dues be reduced to $20. The motion was seconded. Much discussion followed. One member pointed out that the by-laws require that the subject be reviewed by the board with a recommendation to the membership for any change. A new motion was made and seconded to refer the subject to the board. The motion passed. The original motion to reduce the dues to $20 failed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55

Minutes prepared by Chip Wells