Minutes of the Windemere Lake & Landowners Asso.
General Meeting August 15, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9 AM by President Chuck Erickson.

The minutes of the July 18, 2009 general meeting were read and approved.

Janette Muller gave the treasurer’s report. We have $15,090.38 in the checkbook. Of that amount, $4,560.79 is in the milfoil fund and $10,529.59 is in the general fund. The treasurer’s report was approved.

Janette also gave a membership report. We now have 174 members. More than 6 new memberships are from the Sturgeon Lake Walk-a-round that was just finished up and contributions to the milfoil fund have also been received.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Brush: Dennis reported he has some new volunteers he asked for. All is well in the brush department.

Road Pick-up: Shirley reports all is going well in this department too. The last pick-up for the year will take place after Labor Day.

Education: A discussion was held about the use the school teachers are making of the Fresh Water Ecology books we supply to the 2 fifth grades in the Moose Lake School. It was decided the students should keep their workbooks. Therefore, new student books should be purchased each year and the teachers urged to make more use of this excellent resource. Pauline will check into this.

Get-the-Lead-out: Barb Burkhardt is in charge of this committee and today will take the lead tackle we have collected and dispose of it for us in a hazardous waste facility. We will continue to offer this service to our members next year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Sturgeon Lake EWM: The 5.29 acres of EWM located at the north end of the lake off-shore of the public landing was treated on August 3 by Lake Management with Tricopyr. We received an EDRK grant from the DNR for $2,771.29... the cost of the treatment. However, another small area has been found on the East side.. near Sunset Bay. The question was asked... Should we treat this right now and use our milfoil funds? Chuck explained that in order to treat, we need a permit from the DNR and before they will issue this, the area has to be surveyed by them and a GPS reading be obtained and sent to the company hired to do the treating. This all takes time and in a week or two, the plant begins to go dormant and treatment would be useless. However, as we have done on Sand Lake each mid-September, Steve Kozak will go out with some Sturgeon Lake people and survey the lake and map the milfoil areas. This map is used in the early spring to figure out our plan of attacking the plant. Tony Bakhtiari offered to go with Steve on this survey.

Island Lake: A board meeting is set for August 22 to assess the past year and to set up a task force to work on improving Island Lake water quality.

Sewer: Chuck reported that neither Moose Lake Sewer Dist nor the city of Sturgeon Lake have any interest in sewerering Island or Sturgeon Lakes.

Permit Fee: Since the legislature has rescinded the permit fee of $35.00 to treat aquatic vegetation and is now trying to decide how much to charge to completely cover their costs, they requested comments. Chuck read the letter he drafted to them.
completion of the reading, the response was applause from our membership. Greg Carlson suggested we forward it to our state legislators. We will do this.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections: The board members whose terms were up all decided to stay for another term. A motion was made by Dick Hambly and seconded by Arnie Tuomi to accept them for another term. Motion carried. There were no nominations from the floor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Barb Krig and seconded by Greg Carlson. Motion carried.

Minutes by Pauline Dee