Minutes of the May 1, 2004 Board Meeting of the Windemere Lake & Landowners Assoc.

The meeting began at 8:00. We met one hour early due to Hank Pattison's memorial service. Hank was a former board member of the association. Those present at the meeting were Tom Landsberger, Dennis Huddleston, Arnie Tuomi, Don Niss, Ron Birkholz, Janette Muller, Shirley Arnold and Pauline Dee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Milfoil: Tom and Dennis have visited with Chip Welling, the head of the Exotics Dept. DNR, about a new larger sign at the public access on Sand Lake by May 15, opening fishing day. They were sent to Heidi Wolfe, Trails and Waterways and she was positive but as of yet nothing has been done. Tom will pursue this and put it up himself if necessary. As for volunteers manning the public access on May 15 to alert the fishermen of the milfoil in the lake, they were told there is a training session for volunteers such as these but there isn't time to do this. Arnie will talk to Steve Kozak about doing this and/or finding some help w/o training.

Steve Kozak had talked w/Chip Welling more about our milfoil problem and a letter was read at the meeting from C. Welling summarizing the DNR's plan for management of milfoil in Sand Lake. (letter is enclosed w/minutes.) At 9:00, four men joined our meeting. They live on Sand Lake, 3 being in the most infested bay. They had talked to Steve and he alerted them to our meeting. They have great concern about the milfoil problem. They joined our assoc and are eager to help. Tom suggested that they alert the folks in that bay. They thought they may apply for a permit to spread chemicals and a licensed company to do it. They hope to collect $$ from the other homeowners in that area to pay for it. They may help at the public landing on May 15.

Tom handed out a map showing the milfoil problem.

Trash Day: Craig Berg is calling it "Appliance, Tire and Scrap Metal Collection". It will be held on May 15 from 9:00-3:00 at the Windemere Town Hall. He is only advertising it in the Evergreen.

Brush Day: This will be held May 22 from 10:00-2:00 at the sand pit, the same as last year. Some of our members will help.

Road pick-up: Since Joanne Morissey moved out of the township, we no longer have a leader for this project. Sand Lake has been done this spring. Island and Sturgeon have not.

NEW BUSINESS

Fresh Water Fair: This will be held May 6 at Pine City Fair Grounds as usual. The three 5th grade classes at Moose Lake School will attend.

Hank Pattison Memorial: A discussion was held after which Arnie made a motion to send a card and $50.00 to a memorial for Hank. The motion was seconded by Don. All approved. As soon as we find out the name of the memorial, Pauline and Janette will take care of it.

Dues Increase: A discussion was held as to increasing our dues in January when Janette sends out the membership letters. We will discuss this when Chuck is present.

Education: We will pack the edu. bags on May 13 at Camp Miller at 9:00. The project was given $500.00 last year and I'm sure we will get there. Our "door knob" bags were $32.87. Our printing bill is not definite yet. We decided to include the 4 DNR shoreline alteration sheets. We do not think the newsletter is necessary so we will include a sheet with meeting dates and programs, board members and a membership form also. We will do our walk-a- around during the Memorial weekend time. Divide up your lakes and find walkers. It is good to chat a minute w/interested people instead of simply hanging the bag on the door. There
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are 296 residences on Sand Lake, 230 on Island Lake, 347 on Sturgeon Lake and 40 on the smaller lakes. You will take the amount you need home with you on May 13. The rest, if any will be at Pauline's house...4866 Lazy Pines Road.

School Bond: Discussion was held as to property tax increases if the school bond passes on May 11.

Meetings: June 19  General Meeting
Water Fair report
MPCA..."Lakes and Rivers" by Sheryl Corrigan
July 17  General Meeting
Trails and Waterways
Greg Bennett...report on moving of the Pine county seat
August 14  General Meeting
LAP report...Steve Heiskary
Board Elections

The July and the August meetings are not yet definite.
Our board meeting dates are:June 26, July 31 and August 21.
Meeting ended at 10:30. Minutes prepared by Pauline