

## MINUTES FROM THE MAY 17, 2008 BOARD MEETING

The Windemere Township Lake & Landowners board met at Camp Miller at 9 AM. Those present were: Ron Birkholz, Shirley Arnold, Pauline Dee, Dennis Huddleston, Tom Landsberger, Janette Muller, Sandy Schumann, Arnie Tuomi and Ron Goetsch.

Janette gave the treasurers report. We have \$6698.10 in the Sand Lake Milfoil fund and \$7821.88 in the checkbook..

Janette reported we have 184 members..14 of which are new.

Old Business: The newsletter was discussed. Brush days are going on, Trash Day happened, the Fresh Water fair was held. The summer meeting dates were discussed. The gal who is coming to speak to us in July from MN Waters requested travel money. We have not had that request before..no doubt it is due to gas prices. She comes from Duluth.We voted to pay her the going mileage rate if she mentions it again. Tom is dealing with this. Our meetings are as follows:

June 14 ...Roger Hugill..Fisheries  
July 12.....Cortney Kowalczak...MN Waters  
August 16. .Julie Olson...Wetlands Enforcement Officer

Milfoil: A packet was sent out in Feb. to all Sand Lake property owners telling them of their options in dealing with their milfoil this spring. As of a month ago, 62 people had signed up with either Lake Restoration, Inc. or Lake Management. We do not know how many have signed up to do the treatment themselves. When the water temperature rises and the plants grow to be visible, the DNR will make an inspection of the lake after which the DNR will determine how much treatment is needed and how much will be allowed and where. Chuck Erickson has applied for a grant from the DNR for the treatment of off-shore acreage and has not yet heard if a grant will come our way again this year. If we do need off-shore treatment. Lake Management of Marine on the St. Croix has the bid to do it.

New Business: There are some new rules this year in this treatment business. 1. If a grant from the DNR is used to treat the off-shore waters, the chemical 24D will not be allowed. The EPA will begin more studies of the chemical in 2010.

2. Our MN Legislature has made a ruling that in order to apply for a grant from the DNR for treatment of noxious water plants such as Eurasian Watermilfoil, a lake association must first have a water quality plan with goals and objectives in place. Sand, Sturgeon and Island lake are now a part of a Water Quality Assessment Plan of Lakes and Streams in Pine County. Water samples will be taken 6 times this summer in a specific way and sent to a Duluth lab. We

will be sampling phosphorous and chlorophyll A. This is connected to the Secchi disk readings also. This project begins in June. A few people on each lake will be trained to do this. The contact people on the 3 lakes are: Harold Schroeder, Sturgeon, Ron Hansen, Island and Pauline Dee, Sand.

Get the Lead Out: At our general meetings this summer we will be promoting this program.

We adjourned at 10:45.

Minutes by Pauline