

Windemere Lake & Landowners Association Board Minutes from July 26, 2008

The board met at 9 AM at Camp Miller. Those present were: Chuck Erickson, Dennis Huddleston, Steve Kozak, Tom Landsberger, Janette Muller, Sandy Schumann, David Stark, Ron Hansen, Barb Krig, Ron Goetsch and Pauline Dee.

Discussions were as follows:

Milfoil: Lake Management should be treating Monday, July 28. (and they did) We were awarded a grant of \$4700.00 from the DNR for the off-shore treatment of the milfoil in Sand Lake. We have \$6853.10 in the Sand Lake Milfoil Fund ... M.L. Township will give us up to \$1000.00 and Windemere Township will give us up to \$5000.00. 42 of the properties on the lake are in Carlton Cty and 217 are in Pine Cty. Chuck will again prorate the funds from the townships.

GPS unit: Discussion was held about buying a GPS unit to use when the lake is surveyed by Steve Kozak again this fall as he has done before. This will probably become a yearly activity and would help to map the milfoil in the offshore area as well as near shore. A motion was made by Tom and seconded by Dennis allowing Steve to shop for and purchase a unit spending up to \$200.00. Motion passed. Barb Krig offered to communicate with MN Waters if perhaps they have a unit we could borrow. She will be in touch with Steve about this.

Clean Water Assessment of Lakes and Streams in Pine County: The gathering of water samples is going smoothly. We are half done with our summer sampling. This is being done by Greg Carlson (Sand Lake), Ron Hansen (Island Lake) and Harlan Schroeder (Sturgeon Lake). Sandy Schumann delivers the samples to Era Lab in Duluth. Ron Hansen offered to head up the project as we need to use the information for our Clean Water Project. This is tied to our getting grant money from the DNR.

Ron Birkholz, one of our board members has resigned because of ill health. It was suggested that Sandy, our computer artist design an appreciation document for his years on the board. If anyone would also care to drop him a note his address is: 1809 Richard Court, White Bear Lake MN 55110.s

Milfoil on Sturgeon Lake: The DNR has posted an invasive species sign at the public landing on the lake. However, there are 3 private landings also there. They are Ray & Marge's, Edelweiss Campground and Wild Acres. Sandy will ask these folks if a sign could be posted at their landings also. When Roger Hugill spoke at our June General Meeting, he mentioned that he is going to do a plant survey on Sand Lake and Sturgeon Lake. This very thing was the first thing done when milfoil was found in Sand Lake. Steve checked with Roger and it is done or nearly done. This will help us with the milfoil issue on Sturgeon.

Northern Pike on Sand Lake: Steve talked with Roger Hugill about putting a slot size for N. Pike on Sand Lake. The procedure to get this in effect begins

with a letter from the association . Chuck will draft the letter and get the ball rolling.

No Wake Zone on Sand Lake: Greg Carlson is looking into the history of this on Sand Lake, why they were removed and how to get them replaced. With the larger boats, the waves are detrimental to the shoreline and need to be controlled.

Sand Lake Outlet Creek: There has been beaver activity in the creek which can plug it up. Folks have been removing the beaver dam again and again. We will try to find out who owns the land where the beavers work and what can be done to keep the creek open.

We are trying to set up a board meeting for Sept. 6. I will let you know.

Minutes by Pauline