Minutes of August 24, 2013 Board Meeting
Windemere Township Lake & Landowners

I Chair called the meeting to order at 9 AM.

II. Roll call was taken. Those present were: Jerry, Pauline, Ron Goettsch, Ron Hansen, Barb, Dennis, Tom, Janette, Laurie, Tara and Chip.

III. Pauline read the May 4, 2013 board meeting minutes. Tara moved they be approved as read and there was a second. Motion passed.

IV. Janette gave the treasurer’s report. The checkbook balance is $30512.34, the EWM Fund has $19575.55, the Water Quality Fund has $11287.23 and the Memorial Fund has $245. The General Fund has $94904.56. The Lake Management bill has not been paid. We need to publicize our Memorial Fund.

V. Committee Reports

a. Lakes: Pauline and Jerry brought the board up to date on the confusion with the Lake Management spraying of Sand Lake. Discussion was held on permits, invoices, acres treated, acres untreated, early survey results, weather involvement, on-shore and off-shore treating, etc. One definite conclusion is…one of our board members must be present when the lakes are being sprayed. Chip, Pauline and hopefully Dennis and Jerry are traveling to Grand Rapids on Oct. 3 to meet with Rich Rezanka and discuss the treatment process with him. Following this meeting, Dennis, Tom and Laurie plan to visit Lake Management, Inc. in Marine on St. Croix to get a better understanding of their work and business practices.

Island Lake: Ron H. reported on his visit with A.W. Research as to repeating the fly-over to find hot-spots along the shoreline. Ron H. made a motion and Tom seconded it to do this. Motion passed. The follow up might be water tests. It was suggested we call upon Sam Martin to help with this. Barb made a motion and Ron G. seconded it to use $1000 from the Water Quality Fund for this project. Motion passed.

b. Brush: Dennis reported there are 2 Saturdays left to bring brush to the quarry…3rd Saturday of September and October…10:00 to 1:00.

c. Education: Barb will contact the Pokegama Asso. To find out if the Fresh Water Fair will be held in late May or early May as it previously was. If the date remains in late May, we may drop the program.

d. Membership: Janette reported we now have 174 members. Sand has 79, Sturgeon has 64, Island has 27 and Passenger+ has 4.

e. Road Pick-up: The last pick-up this year will be after Labor Day.
f. Newsletter: Tom made a motion and Dennis seconded it that we do 2 newsletters a year...spring and fall. Motion passed.

g. Projects: Our project committee will become dormant at this time.

h. Website: Chip continues to add information to the website. Here is the web address. www.minnesotawaters/group/windemere

VI. Old Business

a. PICKM: Barb will continue to attend PICKM meetings whenever possible.

b. Brochure: Dennis presented the finished brochure. It will soon be printed...1000 copies...about $500. A motion was made and seconded by Tom and Ron H. to spend $500 for the printing. Motion passed.

VII. New Business

a. 2014 meeting dates and presenters:

1. Board meeting dates will be May 3, 2014 and August 23, 2014. We will once again meet at the Senior Center at 9 AM.

2. General meeting dates will be June 14, 2014...presenter will be Conservation MN. July 12, 2014...presenter will be Roger Hugill from Fisheries. August 9, 2014...presenters will be the sheriff from Pine County, Conservation Officers from Pine and Carlton counties. All meetings will be held at Hope Church at 9 AM.

b. Printing of minutes...undecided.

c. Spring Walk-a-round. We will do a walk-a-round about Memorial Day time. Each “watch dog” will divide up his/her lake(s) into sections and find walkers. At our May 3, 2014 board meeting, we will finalize these plans.

d. Recognition of Volunteers: In our fall newsletter, we will do this.

e. Election of board offices: Chip and Dennis decided to stay as is. Therefore, Chip will be chair and Dennis will be vice-chair. Pauline will remain as secretary. Tara Prachar, our newest board member, will take over membership. Janette will remain our treasurer. Chip made a motion and Pauline seconded it to accept this board. Motion passed.

Chip announced that some of the board members had attended the Windemere Township board meeting and the Moose Lake Township board meeting to ask for financial help next spring as treatment is needed. Windemere gave us $5000 and Moose Lake gave us $2000. Thank you cards will be sent to these groups.

VIII. Adjournment at 11:30.