

Minutes of the Windemere Lake & Landowners Assn. Board Meeting May 3, 2014

- I. Chair called meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.
- II. Roll call was called. Those present were: Jerry Blazevic, Pauline Dee, Ron Goettsch, Ron Hansen, Barb Krig, Tom Landsberger, Janette Muller, Chip Wells and Tara Pracher.
- III. The minutes of the August 24, 2013 board meeting were read and two corrections needed to be made to the treasurer's report: Water Quality Fund balance should have read \$1287.23 and the General Fund balance should have read \$9404.56. Minutes were approved with corrections.
- IV. Treasurer's report: As of April 30, 2014, the General Fund has \$9,839.65, the Milfoil Fund has \$17,183.69, the Water Quality Fund is - \$130.77, the Memorial Fund has \$245.00 and the checkbook balance is \$27,137.57.
- V. Membership report: Tara reported our memberships number 41 at this time. This is about half of what they usually are at this time. We attribute this change to our sending the newsletter electronically with the membership form as an attachment to our e-mail members. We don't think the newsletter was read and /or the attachment retrieved. Therefore, Tara is sending out, by U. S. Mail, a paper copy of the membership form and a list of our general meeting dates.
- VI. Committee reports
 - a. Lakes-Pauline reported that two grant requests have been accepted and have been signed and we can begin treatments whenever all is ready; ice melted, surveys done, etc. These grants are for Sand and Sturgeon lakes and are for the treatment of Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM). We are only contracting for off-shore water treatment with Lake Management. Lakeshore property owners are responsible for treating their own lakeshore. This has been explained in our newsletter. Ron Hansen gave a report on the winter water testing on the N and S ends of Island Lake which he and Sam Martin did in February. According to A. W. Research, the report from this testing showed phosphorous levels haven't changed much but chloride or salt levels were high for a lake in the forest region.

Jerry Blazevic will now be the lake level monitor on Sand Lake.
 - b. Brush- Terry Schumann will put it in the paper about brush collection in the airport quarry ...May-October-3rd Saturday-10:00-1:00. Dennis Huddleston will remain in charge of this program.
 - c. Education-Because the Moose Lake School has not been responsive to the communication from the Pokegama Lake Assn, who sponsor the Fresh Water Ecology Program for the 5th grade, or to our association, the Pokegama group has dropped ML school, as have we. We will keep Education as one of our committees but now it will deal with continuing education for our board members. We decided to use \$500.00 for this purpose. This money will cover registration fees and gas mileage for a board member to attend a conference if it sounds to be of help to us and our job of keeping our lakes as they should be- clean, useful and beautiful.
 - d. Newsletter- We will continue with 2 newsletters a year.

- e. Road Pick-up: There seem to be a lot of lake people who pick up on their own. We will deal more with this committee at a later date.
- f. Project Committee: on hold for now.
- g. Website: Conservation MN is having trouble with their website of which we are a part. We are waiting to hear it is running smoothly again .

VII. Old Business

- a. PICKM-Barb Krig will continue to attend whenever possible.
- b. Star Gazette articles-Ron Hansen will write an article in early summer and Barb Krig will write one later.
- c. Lake Tours-We will continue tours of our lakes for board members. This summer we will try to do Sand and Sturgeon. Chip is in charge.
- d. New Board Members-There are no prospects as of now.
- e. Spring Walk-a-Round-Sand and Island have been divided into segments from the last walk-a-round. Board members on the lakes will help Ron on Island, Dennis on Sturgeon, Jerry and Pauline on Sand to find people to help with the walk-a-round. Laurie is in charge of the smaller lakes. These “walkers” must be instructed to try to speak with property owners, show the new brochure and answer questions. This walk-a-round is a membership drive and a contribution drive.

VIII. New Business

- a. Review of the Bylaws
 - 1. Article III Board of Directors: Section 5 (attendance)
This was discussed and Chip is dealing with this.
 - 2. Article III Board of Directors Section 12 (spending)
After discussion, the board decided to leave this as it is.
- b. Dues...After discussion, the Chair moved to leave dues as they are - \$25.00 a year. A motion was made by Tom and seconded by Ron Goettsch, Motion carried.
- c. Lake Improvement District (LIDS)
A short discussion was held and it was decided this is impossible to take on at this time.
- d. Lake Management Plan (LVMP) This will be discussed at our August board meeting.

