I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Pauline Dee at 9 AM.

II. The Secretary called the roll. Present: Chip Wells, Jerry Blazevic, Pauline Dee, Richard Menke, Rita Menke, Janette Muller, Laurie Patrick, Dennis Huddleston, Tom Landsberger, Terry Peterson & Tara Prachar. Excused: Ron Hansen, Clair Strandlie & Ron Goettsch. Absent: Gregg Hetznecker, Barb Krig & Sandy Schumann. It was noted by the board that Sandy Schumann and Gregg Hetznecker have not attended many meetings during the last two years. The bylaws require that board members regularly attend meetings. It was agreed by the board that the chair should send letters to both individuals informing them that if they do not contact the chair or attend the general meeting in June they will be considered to have resigned from the board.

III. A special presentation was made by Cliff Koski of the Moose Lake-Windemere Sanitary Sewer District. The district is discussing the need for a sewer around Island Lake. They plan on surveying the lake shore owners this summer. The board agreed to support the survey and discuss it at the June general meeting.

IV. The minutes of the August 22, 2015 board meeting were sent out earlier. A motion was made by Tara and seconded by Terry to approve the minutes. APPROVED

V. The treasurer reported a balance of $44,482 (general fund $17,764, milfoil fund $23,536, water quality $2852 and education fund $330). A motion was made by Tara and seconded by Laurie to approve the treasurer’s report. APPROVED Laurie and Tara volunteered to help Janette write thank you notes to members that contributed more than $100.

VI. Membership Chair Terry reported that a little over 200 2016 membership forms and Spring newsletters were mailed out last month. About 200 letters, membership forms and newsletters were mailed to all nonmembers on Sturgeon encouraging them to join.

VII. Committee Reports:
   a. Pauline reported that we will receive $3300 from the DNR and up to $22,647 from Pine County for our EWM treatment this year. Lake Management will apply Triclopyr. We need to follow up within 14 days after treatment to determine if the application was effective. Terry will backup Dennis in working with Rezanka. David Yost will do both lake level and secchi readings on Sturgeon. Tara also agreed to do both readings.
   b. No brush report
   c. Richard & Rita reported that using their four wheeler they recently picked up trash on all our roads.
   d. Laurie will take over editing the newsletter as well as publishing it. It was moved by Dennis, seconded by Jerry to use color on the first page and black and white on the remaining pages. APPROVED
   e. The website is up to date.

VIII. Old Business
   a. The written board officer job descriptions were discussed. A motion was made by Tom, seconded by Tara to approve the job descriptions. APPROVED
   b. Ron G was not present to report on his visit to Edelweiss.
c. Changing the name of our organization to “Windemere Township Lakes Association” was discussed. A motion was made by Tara, seconded by Terry to recommend to the membership that name of our organization be changed. APPROVED

d. The board was interested in pursuing logo apparel.

e. It was agreed to have one boat in the Moose Lake July 4th parade. Dennis is in charge. We will not do handouts. We will have more candy and add bobbers to what we distribute. Chip will obtain the permit.

f. We now have four banners. Everyone was encouraged to display them as much as possible.

g. Chip, Clair and Henry Gretsfeld attended September 2015 Pine County Commissioner meeting in Sandstone. The Commissioners were thanked for the financial support for our EWM treatment.

IX. New Business

a. The bylaws were reviewed and no changes are recommended. The board discussed sending out post card reminders of general meetings. The issue will be discussed at the August board meeting.

b. The membership dues are recommended to remain the same for 2017.

c. Pauline has created a publicity committee. Barb will chair the committee. The committee will put articles in the local newspapers.

d. Two conferences will be held this fall. The MNAISC Showcase will be held on September 12 in St Paul. Pauline will attend. An Aquatic Invaders Summit will be held in St Cloud on October 5-6. If board members are interested in attending talk to Chip.

f. Terry questioned the liability of board members for such issues as EWM treatment. Janette offered to seek an attorney’s opinion.

X. Adjournment

Tara motioned to adjourn and seconded by Janette, APPROVED

Chip Wells, Secretary

May 20, 2016