

Minutes from the July 12, 2008 General Meeting of the Windemere Township Lake & Landowners Association

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Chuck Erickson.

The minutes of the June 14, 2008 General Meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showed we have \$7739.48 in the checkbook and \$6748.10 in the Sand Lake Milfoil Fund, for a grand total of \$14,487.55. The milfoil fund can only be used to treat off-shore Eurasian Watermilfoil. The treasurer's report was approved.

Membership reported we have 193 members. 43 prior members have not renewed their membership to date this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BRUSH: Chuck Erickson mentioned that Dennis Huddleston of Sturgeon Lake heads this effort. Windemere residents may bring leaves and brush to the gravel pit next to the airport on the 3rd Saturday of each month between 10:00 a.m. and 1 p.m., through October. Dennis is always looking for volunteers. If you can help, call him.

ADOPT-A-HIWAY: Your Association picks up 8 and ½ miles of roadways around the lakes three times per year. Shirley Arnold, Island Lake, heads this project. If you can help, call her.

NEWSLETTER: Sandy Schumann, Sturgeon Lake, is in charge of the semi-annual newsletters we receive as members.

EDUCATION & GET THE LEAD OUT: Pauline Dee, Sand Lake, heads these programs.

DNR INTERFACE: Steve Kozak, Sand Lake, is our interface with the DNR.

OLD BUSINESS:

SAND LAKE MILFOIL: We are still awaiting DNR decision on off-shore acreage to be treated and whether DNR will provide our Association with grant funding to help defray the cost of treatment.

STURGEON LAKE MILFOIL: DNR is reported to be conducting an aquatic plant survey of the lake as a preliminary step in the milfoil control program. We need a Sturgeon Lake volunteer to serve as the milfoil task leader to work and learn from Steve Kozak of Sand Lake on how to proceed with an annual survey of milfoil growth on Sturgeon lake.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS: Will be conducted at the August 16, 2008 general membership meeting.

BOATING ACCIDENT, SAND LAKE: Karen Gretsfield, Sand Lake, discussed an incident from the 4th of July weekend and queried what could be done to slow boats in the channel. Greg Carlson indicated he would start a petition.

WEST FRONTAGE ROAD SPEED: Mary Nelson, Sand Lake, discussed the high speeds observed on the roadway, pointing out that children are at risk as well as cars backing onto the road from driveways. At issue is whether anything could be done to reduce the speed limit. This is a county issue.

NORTHERN PIKE SLOT SIZING FOR SAND LAKE: Steve Kozak, Sand Lake, commented that Roger Hugill, DNR Fisheries, advised our membership at our June, 2008 meeting that Sand Lake is over populated with small Northern Pike. This has caused an

unbalance in achieving a good percentage of large Northern Pike and makes it difficult to sustain a good Walleye and Yellow Perch population. Roger Hugill, DNR, suggested that our Association send him a letter requesting that public input steps be taken to establish a slot size for Northern Pike so as to restore the balance for Sand Lake.

Steve Kozak that made a motion that such a letter be sent to DNR. Motion was seconded and motion carried.

PROGRAM: Cortney Kowalezak, Minnesota Waters, spoke for about 45 minutes on some of their activities.

Meeting adjourned about 11:00 a.m

Minutes by Chuck Erickson