I. Chip Wells, chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM (485-8254)

II. Roll call was called. Those present were: Pauline Dee, Janette Muller, Ron Hansen, Chip Wells, Dennis Huddleston, Tom Landsberger, Ron Goettsch and Laurie Patrick.

III. The minutes of June 8, 2013 were read and approved.

IV. The treasurer’s report was given by Janette Muller. In our checkbook, we have $30,236.31. Of that, $19,375.55 is in the Milfoil Fund, $1287.23 is in the Water Quality Fund and $245.00 is in the Memorial Fund. (485-8048)

V. Committee Reports
   
a. Lakes.

   Sand: Pauline Dee reported that the lakes were surveyed and it was determined to spray 14 acres in Sturgeon and 11 acres in Sand. The spraying took place July 11 and was done by Lake Management. The chemical Tricoplyr was used and the off-shore and the on-shore were both done. The cost for this is $566.00 an acre. Therefore we owe Lake Management $14,150.00. We will receive $100.00 an acre in grant money from the state. That will be $2500.00. (485-8578)

   Sturgeon: Dennis Huddleston reported fish information he received from the Dept. of Fisheries. (Roger Hugill 1-320-384-7721). Dennis also reported on the spring fish kill that some folks reported. This was from a bacteria called columnaris which is found in all fish and can become active during stressful times for the fish, such as sudden hot weather in early spring when spawning is underway, fish congregating in large groups for a long period of time, etc. It is a common occurrence and is more prevalent in the southern part of the state. Some lakes have it every year. (Dennis 651-900-9085)

   Island: Ron Hansen asked for volunteers from Island Lake to meet and brainstorm about the outflow culvert problem in the South end of the lake. (485-8567)

   Small lakes: Laurie Patrick had no news of the small lakes. (1-651-336-1024)

b. Brush: Dennis Huddleston can always use help with the monthly brush pile in the airport quarry. A question was asked if it could be open more than the 1 Saturday a month. With more help, maybe, but if there is a big storm and folks have a large quantity of brush to dispose of, they usually do open it up more days anyway. (651-900-9085)

c. Education: no report (Barb Krig 952-474-2041)
d. Membership: Janette Muller reported we are up to 167 members. Sand has 71, Island has 25, Sturgeon has 64 and the smaller lakes have 4. (485-8048)

e. Road pick-up: no report (Shirley Lafond 372-4209)

f. Newsletter: It has been decided to remain the same and do 2 newsletters a year. One in Nov. and one in early spring. (Sandy Schumann 372-4403)

g. Web site: Chip continues to put material on our web site...such as minutes of the meetings, by-law business, board members and their phone numbers, etc.

VI. Old Business. None

VII. New Business. None

VIII. Adjournment

IX. Our speaker was Clair Strandlie, Chairman of the Windemere Township board.

Clair told us of the workings of the township board, those on the board and their jobs, the fact they take care of 62 miles of roads, plowing, grading and repair. Roads are the main jobs of the township. Last year after the flood, many culverts needed repair. The township set up an Environmental Fund some years back and has helped us out a number of times with our high Eurasian water milfoil spraying costs. Clair encouraged folks to attend the township board meetings. They are held at the town hall on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. Many questions were asked of Clair.

Minutes by Pauline Dee (485-8578)