Minutes of the Windemere Lake & Landowners general meeting. June 11, 2011

*The meeting was called to order by Chip Wells, vice president.

*The minutes of the August 21, 2010 general meeting were read and approved.

*The treasurer’s report showed $14673.74 in the General Fund, $13592.00 in the Milfoil Fund, $247.23 in the Water Quality Fund and $245.00 in the Memorial Fund. The total is $28 757.97. The treasurer gave a run-down of the amount of $$ we have received from DNR grants, and from the Windemere Township and Moose Lake Township: Starting in 2004 when milfoil was first found in Sand Lake until 2010 when we last treated, we have spent $34 309.96 first on a survey of Sand Lake and then on treatments of Sand Lake and Sturgeon Lake. Of this money, the DNR(state) has given us $19 215.96 in grant money and the 2 townships have given us $11022.00. So, our association has actually paid out $4072.00. The 3 funds we have, milfoil, water quality and memorial are made up of contributions from our members. We recently received $500.00 from the Sturgeon Rush Owners Association for help with controlling milfoil. We thank you all for your generous help. The treasurer’s report was approved.

*The membership report shows we have 136 members at the start of this meeting.

*Committee reports:

Membership...see above

Education...The Fresh Water Fair took place in May at Pine City. The 5th grade classes at Moose Lake School attended. The busing bill was $208.61. We now have a library. It consists of 3 copies of “Lakescaping”, one copy of the new 10 year water plan for Pine County and CD’s of Steve Heiskary’s power point presentation from our last August meeting.

Lakes...Timely articles were reviewed: The dangers of using lead tackle: the DNR is calling for the collection of dead loons for study and the risk of zebra mussels invading our lakes. Also the new bait laws going into effect July 1, hoping to halt the invasion of zebra mussels. Steve Kozak and Jerry Blazevic did a September 28, 2010 survey of Sand Lake and found 5 small spots of EWM(Eurasian Watermilfoil). more than last spring but not much.

Brush...Dennis reported he could use help the remaining months at the dump site.

Road Pick-up...Shirley could use help on part of the Island Lake route.

Being there was no old or new business, Chip called for adjournment of the business meeting.

*Program

Rich Rezanka, our speaker, did a power point presentation on how treatment is carried out on a lake. His report on his recent surveys of Sand and Sturgeon lakes showed 3 spots on Sand which were not very dense and quite a bit less EWM than last summer on Sturgeon. So, the treatment on Sturgeon did
a good job. It will not be necessary to treat Sand Lake this year. However, Sturgeon will need treatment this year on far less acres than before. We will apply for a grant.

Our other program presenters were from the Moose Lake-Windemere Sewer Board. Darla Hall, Joanie Strandlie and Kurt Soderberg presented the sewer boards plan to increase the size of their ponds. Also, apparently the MSOP will not be needing as much service as they thought they would. Kurt asked for a show of hands of those interested in sewering Island and Sturgeon Lakes. He thought it looked quite positive. It was suggested the only way they will get a true number is to send out a post card with yes or no...but some idea of cost must be on the card. This is not a sure thing but they are seriously looking into it.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes by Pauline