Windemere Township Lakes Association General Meeting Minutes  
Saturday July 14, 2018 Hope Lutheran Church

I. To accommodate our guest speakers Senator Tony Lourey and Representative Mike Sundin the business meeting occurred later.

II. The business meeting was called to order by Chair Pauline Dee at 10:00 AM.

III. The Secretary called the roll. Present: Chip Wells, Jerry Blazevic, Pauline Dee, Richard Menke, Rita Menke, Ron Hansen, Clair Strandlie, Dennis Huddleston, Terry Peterson, Pat Stasson, Paula Gramling, David Yost, Laurie Patrick, Tara Prachar, Bruce Jacoby, Mark Dunaski & Barb Krig. Absent: Vern Anderson.

IV. The minutes of the June 9, 2018 general meeting were posted on the website and were distributed. A motion was made by Ernie Muller and seconded by Jerry to approve the minutes. APPROVED

V. Treasurer Pat Stasson reported a balance of $64181 (general fund $25875, milfoil fund $31525, water quality $6450 and education/memorial fund $330). A motion was made by Ron and seconded by Clair to approve the treasurer’s report. APPROVED

VI. Terry Peterson reported on membership. We have a total of 238 members (102 Sand, 77 Sturgeon, 48 Island and 11 on the smaller lakes). Additional memberships were received during the meeting. The special recruitment mailing on Sand resulted in 27 new members.

VII. Committee Reports:
   a. Lakes: Pauline stated that both Sturgeon and Sand Lakes had been surveyed for EWM by the DNR. We have permits to treat 25 acres on Sturgeon and 3 on Sand. Sand-Jerry reported that little EWM was found during the DNR survey. The largest area is located south of the golf course. Sturgeon-Dennis reported that the latest secchi reading was 17’ down from 21 feet the month before. During the DNR EWM survey extensive EWM was found west of the public access. There was a drowning last week. Dennis encouraged everyone to wear a life jacket. Island- Ron Hansen reported that the water level was up by 4” from last month. A recent secchi reading of 7’ was reported. Small Lakes-Laurie reported that she did not have anything new to report.
   b. Marketing: Tara reported that new brochures have been printed.
   c. Dennis Huddleston reported that he could use volunteers to monitor the brush pile. The hours are 10 to 1 on the third Saturday of each month. He reported that there was some good leaf compost and woodchips available.
   d. Richard & Rita Menke reported that they will do a final trash pickup at the end of September.
   e. Laurie reported that there will be a fall newsletter.
   f. The website is up to date. Members who are not receiving email notices about the meetings should give Chip their name and email address.

VII. Old Business

   a. A motion was made by Paula and seconded by Terry to amend the bylaws as follows:

      Article III
Section 1   The Board of Directors shall have a minimum of ten (10) eleven (11) and a maximum of thirteen (13) Directors. (The current board members will remain until he/she resigns or is not reelected.)

Section 2  Every effort shall be made to assure representation from all the lakes and adjacent areas. Approximately three (3) Directors each will be affiliated with Sturgeon, Sand and Island Lakes and two (2) from the smaller lakes.

APPROVED

b. Pauline announced that she was taking orders for shirts. The price of the tee shirts has increased to $12, blue polo shirts are $18 and gray embroidered polos are $24.

VIII. New Business

a. Pauline introduced Phil White from the township Zoning office. He will be available after the meeting to answer questions

b. Pine County will be holding a household hazardous waste collection in Willow River on August 11. Details to be posted on the WTLA website

c. Several people spoke about jet skis going too close to the shore and operating at night contrary to DNR regulations. It was also pointed out that the Pine County Sheriff’s water patrol has not visited our lakes recently. It was decided that the lake association should send a letter to the sheriff about the absence of the water patrol.

d. There was discussion about developing an official position from the lake association about the Island Lake outlet. It was moved by Mary Nelson and seconded to establish a committee. APPROVED Chip agreed to post on the website various options for the outlet as developed by the DNR.

IX. Adjournment

Jerry motioned to adjourn and seconded by Clair. APPROVED

Chip Wells, Secretary

July 15, 2018