Windemere Township Lakes Association General Meeting Minutes
Saturday August 10, 2019 Camp Miller

I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Dennis Huddleston at 9:03 AM.

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

III. Terry outlined the voting procedure for the directors of the association. Ballots were handed out to members in good standing with one vote per membership. Members should complete their ballot and they will be collected and tallied during the meeting. Terry asked for any final nominations. Chip nominated Dan Benzie for Island Lake. Dan accepted the nomination and will be a write in candidate on the ballot. The candidates were offered the opportunity to briefly speak.

IV. The minutes of the July 13, 2019 general meeting were posted on the website and were distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Clair and seconded by Pauline to approve the minutes. APPROVED

V. Treasurer Patty Stasson reported a balance of $76396 (general fund $27718, milfoil fund $38908, water quality $8440 and education/memorial fund $1330). A motion was made by Janette Muller and seconded by Bruce to approve the treasurer’s report. APPROVED

VI. Terry Peterson reported on membership. We have a total of 250 members as of July 31st. A year ago, we had 347 members. Reminder notices will go out shortly.

VII. Committee Reports:
   a. Lakes: Pauline stated that both Sturgeon and Sand Lakes were treated with Triclopyr on July 23rd. Sand-Jerry reported that Sand was nine inches below the ordinary high-water (OHW)mark. The outlet creek has about 3 ½ inches of water flowing out. Water clarity is 10 feet. Island-Chip reported that the construction of a new outlet is slowly moving forward. There is some legal discussion about the wording for the easement for the outlet. The township is still planning on doing the work this fall. Water clarity is 7 feet. Sturgeon-Dennis reported that the latest secchi reading was 15’. The water level has dropped 2.6 inches since last month. Small Lakes- Members that have issues on the other smaller lakes should contact Laurie.
   b. Sturgeon Lake High Water Committee- Bill Yechout reported for the committee formed to deal with the increasing high water on Sturgeon Lake. A property owner survey will be mailed this coming week to all people on the lake. The survey will collect information on the damage caused by the high water. The committee will meet immediately after the general meeting this morning.
   c. AIS-Sherry Lahti reported that researchers collected 100 samples of milfoil on both Sturgeon and Sand. The samples have been sent to Montana to determine the specific types of milfoil that were found. Results should be back in about a month. It was requested that the maps of EWM be posted on the website. Sherry asked for four volunteers to hang zebra mussel detectors on their docks.
   d. Dennis Huddleston reported that he could use volunteers to monitor the brush pile for September and October. The hours are 10 to 1 on the third Saturday of the month.
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   e. Richard & Rita Menke reported that they will do another road pickup after Labor Day. They still need a volunteer for Lakeshore Road from Harmony Lane to Military Road.
   f. Laurie reported that there will be a fall newsletter and that members that had suggestions for content should contact her.

VIII. Old Business
   a. Dennis briefly discussed the board recommended changes to the bylaws. The changes were sent out to the membership email list and copies were available at the July and August meetings. Jerry made a motion to approve the changes to the bylaws. Seconded by Laurie APPROVED
   b. Dennis announced that there is a new Pine County transfer and recycling station on Highway 61 just north of Dago Lake Rd. The county will also have a hazardous waste collection at the highway garage in Willow River next Saturday August 17th

IX. New Business
   a. Terry announced the results of the election:
      Clair Strandlie (Island)
      Dan Benzie (Island)
      Rita Menke (Sand)
      Bruce Jacoby (Passenger)
      Terry Peterson (Sturgeon)
      Mark Dunaski (Sturgeon)
      Sherry Lahti (Sturgeon)
      It was moved by Michy Wells and seconded by Clair to approve the election results and destroy the ballots. APPROVED
   b. Dennis recognized the board members that were retiring:
      David Yost (2017-2019)
      Barb Krig (2007-2019)

IX. Adjournment

      Mary Nelson moved to adjourn and seconded by Diane Peterson. APPROVED

Speaker: Rich Rezanka, DNR Aquatic Invasive Species Specialist

Chip Wells, Secretary

August 12, 2019