

# Windemere Township Lakes Association General Meeting Minutes

## Saturday July 13, 2019 Camp Miller

- I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Dennis Hiddleston at 9:05 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. The minutes of the June 8, 2019 general meeting were posted on the website and were distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Clair and seconded by Ernie Muller to approve the minutes. APPROVED
- IV. Treasurer Patty Stasson reported a balance of \$75538 (general fund \$27548, milfoil fund \$38250, water quality \$8410 and education/memorial fund \$1330). A motion was made by Dave Stasson and seconded by Clair to approve the treasurer's report. APPROVED
- V. Terry Peterson reported on membership. We have a total of 225 members (80 Sand, 74 Sturgeon, 51 Island and 20 on the smaller lakes). Additional memberships were received during the meeting. We have our first business sponsor Moose Lake Golf Club.
- VI. Committee Reports:
  - a. Lakes: Pauline stated that both Sturgeon and Sand Lakes have been surveyed for EWM by the DNR. We will have permits to treat 20 acres on Sturgeon and 19 on Sand. Lake Management will be using Triclopyr. Sand-Jerry reported that Sand was only one-half inch below the ordinary high-water (OHW) mark. He has been working to keep the outlet creek flowing by removing debris. Persons who could help should contact Jerry. Island-Chip reported that the construction of a new outlet is moving forward. The DNR fisheries division surveyed Island for largemouth Bass on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Sturgeon-Dennis reported that the latest secchi reading was 21' down from 23 feet the month before. The water continues to rise. It is up 4 inches from last month and is now 15 inches above the OHW mark. Dennis announced that Ron Goettsch a former board member from Sturgeon Lake had passed away. Small Lakes-Laurie reported that Passenger still has problems with boats that have large motors on the lake. Members that have issues on the other smaller lakes should contact her.
  - b. Sturgeon Lake High Water Committee- Bill Yechout reported for the new committee formed to deal with the increasing high water on Sturgeon Lake. The lake is currently 15 inches above the OHW mark. The lake has no outlet. Heidi Lindgren the DNR hydrologist has been helpful. He has also talked to the Army Corps of Engineers and other agencies. The lake has had high water levels in the past. The committee is looking at options including pumping. The high water is causing extensive erosion and problems in General Andrews Forest. A key person in working on the problem is the Flood Control Manager based in Duluth. Mark Dunaski commented that the committee needs to collect information first and develop a well thought out plan to move forward. Mark moved that the lake association post information about the high water on the website and mail a letter to all property owners on the lake. The letter would describe the work of the committee and ask that people respond by completing a form listing the problems that they have due to the high water. It was seconded by Bill Yechout. APPROVED

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- c. Pauline reported for Sherry Lahti that the AIS study to determine the type of milfoil in the two lakes is proceeding. Researchers collected milfoil from both lakes and will be sending it to a lab for DNA analysis.
- d. Dennis Huddleston reported that he could use volunteers to monitor the brush pile for July, September and October. The hours are 10 to 1 on the third Saturday of each month.
- e. Richard & Rita Menke reported that they will do a another around Labor Day. They still need a volunteer for Lakeshore Road from Harmony to Military Road.
- f. Laurie reported that there will be a fall newsletter and that members that had suggestions for content should contact her.

### VII. Old Business

- a. Dennis reported that we participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and ran out of candy.
- b. Pauline announced that she was taking orders for shirts.

### VIII. New Business

- a. Dennis briefly discussed board recommended changes to the bylaws. The changes were sent out to the membership email list and copies were available at the meeting. The membership will be asked to approve the changes at the August meeting
- b. Terry discussed the August board member election. Paper ballots will be used. Terry asked for nominations. The following members nominated these members:

<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
Patty Stasson	Rita Menke (Sand)
Chip Wells	Clair Strandlie (Island)
Vern Anderson	Mark Dunaski (Sturgeon)
Pauline Dee	Sherry Lahti (Sturgeon)
Dave Stasson	Terry Peterson (Sturgeon)
Mark Dunaski	Vern Anderson (Johnson)
Laurie Patrick	Bruce Jacoby (Passenger)

### IX. Adjournment

Clair moved to adjourn and seconded by Patty. APPROVED

Chip Wells, Secretary

July 17, 2019