

Windemere Township Lakes Association Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday September 11, 2021

- I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Peterson at 9:27 AM. The meeting was held at the Moose Lake Community Room.
- II. There were no changes to the agenda.
- III. The Secretary called the roll. Present: Chip Wells, Jerry Blazevic. Terry Peterson, Laurie Patrick, Patty Stasson, Paula Engstrom, Loren Radtke. Excused: Dan Benzie, Noah Cashman & Clair Strandlie. Absent: Bruce Jacoby & Bill Yechout.
- IV. The minutes of the May 3, 2021 board meeting were sent out earlier. A motion was made by Laurie and seconded by Patty to approve the minutes. APPROVED.
- V. The financial report was distributed. The checkbook balance is \$65971(general fund \$38754, milfoil \$13906, water quality \$11982 and memorial \$1330). The reimbursement from Pine County for EWM treatment is pending. A motion was made by Loren and seconded by Laurie to approve the report. APPROVED.
- VI. Patty provided a report on 2021 membership. There are 321 paid families (123 Sand, 103 Sturgeon, 80 Island and 15 smaller lakes). The special recruitment for Island Lake resulted in 21 new members. The mailings to property owners to gain new members is cost effective. It was decided to target Sturgeon Lake next year.
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Lakes-
 - i. Sand-Jerry reported the lake level is continues to drop. The treatment of EWM with ProcellaCor appears to be very effective.
 - ii. Sturgeon-Terry reported that the lake level is down 22 inches. The secchi reading is 12.5 '. The no-wake buoys appear to no longer be needed. The need for them will be re-assessed next spring.
 - iii. Island- Chip reported that the lake level has continued to drop. The water quality study is moving forward. The most recent secchi reading was only 4'.
 - iv. Smaller Lakes-Laurie stated that Passenger's water level has not dropped.
 - b. AIS-With Sherry leaving the board Loren has agreed to coordinate our AIS efforts.
 - c. Road Pick Up-With Rita leaving the board Laurie agreed to liaison with her for the program. Rita has requested that another pick up happen this fall.
 - d. Newsletter-Laurie requested that members that had ideas for the fall newsletter contact her. Paula agreed to provide brief background piece for the "Meet the Board" section.
 - e. Brush-Laurie reported for Bill. The township pit will be open September 18th and October 16th.
 - f. Website-There was discussion about having our own website that was independent of Minnesota Lake and Rivers. Terry will discuss the idea with someone that works with websites.
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Dan provided information on Nonprofit Directors and Officers Liability Insurance. The annual cost would be about \$1000. There was considerable discussion about the need for the policy. It was decided to table the item until the next meeting when Dan will be present.
- X. New Business
 - a. Bill Patrick suggested to Chip the WTLA consider establishing scholarships for Moose Lake and Willow River High School students. The board favored the idea and asked that more information be provided at the next meeting.
 - b. The board supported revising the WTLA brochure. Laurie will email the board members to request suggestions for content.

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- c. Chip suggested that we print the "Own Your Wake" brochure designed by Pine County. It was suggested that the hours of operation of personal watercraft be added. IT was moved by Chip and seconded by Paula d that we print 500 copies. APPROVED
- d. It was moved by Loren and seconded by Patty that the 2022 General Membership meetings be June 11, July 9 and August 13. The meetings to held at Holy Angels with the following presenters: June- Meg Duhr, MN Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center; July- Leslie George, DNR Fisheries; August-Rich Rezanka, DNR AIS and Mike, Lake Management. The alternate meeting location would be Hope Lutheran. APPROVED
- e. Board Meetings were set for February 1st 7 PM CST via Zoom hosted by Loren and in person meetings May 7th and September 10th. The in-person meetings at the Moose Lake Golf Club with the alternate Moose Lake Community Center.
- f. It was moved by Chip and seconded by Paula that the officers of the association be as follows: Chair-Laurie, Vice Chair-Loren, Secretary-Chip, Treasurer-Dan, and Membership-Patty. APPROVED

XI. Adjournment

It was moved by Loren and seconded by Patty to adjourn. APPROVED

Chip Wells, Secretary 9/13/2021