Lobster Lake Association Annual Meeting Minutes May 4, 2004 La Grande Township Hall

President John Stone called the meeting to order at 9:30

He welcomed guest Marilyn Bayerl form the Healthy Lakes and Rivers Partnership. John announced that our Visioning session would be conducted by Marilyn Bayerl and the purpose is to develop a Management Plan for the future of Lobster Lake. In this plan will be defined what the members of the Association feel is important issues to address. The purpose is to continue the success of our lake and/or improve it. There have been two study sessions held to assist us in this endeavor. Those who attended the sessions were acknowledged, John Stone, Bev Paulin, Jim Barrett, Bonnie and Hardy Huettl, Merrill Pedersen and Myron Lofquist. By attending these sessions the Association has received \$800. More money is available for grants for projects but we need a Management Plan to proceed. Marilyn Bayerl will guide us through the process of Goals and Planning. And write the plan.

John gave a brief summary of the history of the association started in 1984 and during that time Pete Onstad has been conducting water quality tests for 17 years. Our association is also a member of Minnesota Lakes association and Douglas County Lake Association.

**Secretary's Report** Minutes of the last annual meeting were submitted in writing to all members and the motion was made to accept them as written. They were entered as is. Bonnie Huettl was introduced as the new Secretary.

**Treasure's Report** was also submitted in writing to all members and a motion was made and seconded to accept the report as submitted.

**Committee Reports**-.All reports were in the newsletter which was produce by Bev Paulin. Great job by Bev and any items members would like to include should be given to Bev. No individual reports were presented due to the time constraint.

## **Old Business**

LLA directory. Last publication was done in 1999 and there is a need for a new one. Members present agreed. President John Stone has received bids from 2 printers to produce the new directory. The cost for 400 copies was \$1384 2 color and \$1167 one color from Spectrum Printing and \$1500 from Quality Printing. That is approximately \$2.50 each after 12 ads @ \$50 each has been sold... The majority by a show of hands want a new directory produced. John asked for any ideas to reduce the cost and several were given. Also discussed was putting the directory on the Web site. The web site is not developed as yet but that is a possibility. Members still want a hard copy of the directory.. Ideas for vendors to "up the anty" on ads was given as well as no color and possibly just a stapled book rather than professionally produced. Pete Onstad compiled all the info for the last directory and still has it available on the Excel Program. This can be updated easily. The consensus was to proceed and produce

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Walleye Stocking Brad Meischner reported over 3000 walleyes were releases last year into our lake. Brad set up a donation box for additional funds and will continue to work with the DNR regarding stocking. Contact Brad for more complete information if desired.

## **New Business**

Area meetings

John encouraged all areas to conduct the summer meeting. Tall Timbers has a problem in that Roger Jenni resigned and they need a new Director. John explained the duties of the Area Directors and asked for volunteers to fill vacant spots.

Central Sewer is continuing to progress Wayne Becker, Moe Township Clerk, is the contact person.

John Stone had a brochure for a local landscaper regarding Lake Scaping. Natural Scapes and encouraged member to seek their input.

*Army Worms* Are going to spray? Each area is to decide if they want the spray. Dave Fjoslien will spray but warned that Ariel Applicators are fined \$500 for any complaints received by governing authorities. Call him if we want work done (834-4962) Discuss at area meeting whether each area wants the application.

## **Comments**

Paul Casper gives back \$.50 or so to the association for each monogrammed item he sells. See the display in back if you care to order shirts or hats with our LLA logo.

## Other Business:

Merrill Pedersen introduced our guests the Supervisor for Le GrandeTownship, Richard Bromley, Commissioners John Mingus (Le Grande) Jerry Johnson (Moe) Emily Wolfe, Local water Manager from Douglas County Land and Resource Mngt., Steve Wendland from Garfield Fire and Rescue and Nancy Exley from the Smith Lake Association.. Wayne Becker from Moe Township will help but couldn't be here today. They are here to support us in this undertaking for Healthy Lakes and Rivers Partnership. Dean Beck from the DNR gives his full support for all projects we wish to undertake.

There was no future business and the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. A Planning and Visioning Session followed and concluded with lunch at approximately 12:00 noon.

Submitted by Bonnie Huettl Secretary