

LOBSTER LAKE ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2005

La Grande Township Hall

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

“The goal of the LLA is to preserve and protect our great natural resource-Lobster Lake” John reviewed the agenda. John thanked Bonnie Huettl for taking on the Directory project which each paid member receives as part of the dues.

Secretary Report

Harvey Strom made a motion to accept them as read, Harold Howard second. The motion carried

Treasure's Report

Bev reported that there is currently in checking and savings \$5294.03. \$990 of that amount is for walleye stocking. As per our By-laws the accounts were audited by Myron and Elma Lofquist and found to be accurate. Merle Pedersen made the motion to accept the report, Pete Onstad seconded. The motion carried

Committee Reports

LAKE CAPTAIN... Harvey Strom present the group with a lake water level report. He takes these readings periodically and tracks all changes in water levels.

WATER QUALITY... Pete Onstad was recognized in the Secchi magazine produced by Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for his 15 years of service. Water clarity has improved 1 ½ feet over 17 years. Readings are taken 6 times per year and a volunteer is needed to take the East Bay readings is needed. Pete also takes water samples and sends them to the lab to follow other aspects of our water.

DCLA... John Stone Described what the DCLA does and reviewed the dues. An educational opportunity is being organized by DCLA called “A day at the Lake” on July 16, 2005. He recognized Merle Pedersen for his past participation in the DCLA and again asked for a volunteer to attend the meeting.

MLA... Minnesota Lakes assoc. has joined with Fresh Water Society to form a stronger lobby in the legislature. \$1 of our dues goes to the MLA

AQUASCAPING... Tom Fischer reported that a seminar will be held in Detroit Lakes regarding Lake Scapin on June 6. He had brochures for those interested.

MEMBERSHIP... John Stone Membership has increased every year in the last 3 years. The count as of today is 199 members. The goal for membership is to be over 200 as we have 336 current addresses on the lake. As part of the yearly dues all paid members will receive a Directory and Fish measure tube. He encouraged those present to invite neighbors to join and take part in activities.

Old Business

Regional Sewer.. John Stone.. Progressing. The Central Lakes Sewer Board meets every month on the 1st Thursday.. If you have concerns or are interested call Wayne Becker for Moe Township or Jerry Thonnes for La Grande.?????? ASALD technically test Le Homme Dieu??????

Funding options is being handled by Springstead cost being approximately \$15k. A public hearing in June will be held discussing this info and then it goes back to the Townships for approval and to move forward.

Dry Hydrants..Project is completed and to date there has been only test runs and they are working properly

Walleye Stocking Brad Meichsner was not present but submitted a written report by Merle Pedersen.

New Business

Milfoil.. John reported that one piece was found at the public access last year and no other pieces found. It can be eliminated if found early and wants everyone to be aware.

Pending Legislative Issues.. John reported that life jackets are now required to be worn by all passengers under the age of 10. Also the 0 phosphorous law is now in effect.

New Directory .. Available now extra copies are \$3.00 each

Area Meetings.. John encouraged all areas to have meetings and those present whose areas currently don't have meeting to ask the Area Directors to have one.

Election of Officers.. Pete Onstad and Merle Pedersen chaired the nominating committee. The current Officers were nominated and Bruce Strandkov was nominated for Vice President. There were no nominations from the floor. Jim Barrett made a motion to accept the nominations Hardy Huettl 2nd the motion was carried. A vote was held by show of hands and all officers were elected to serve another term.

Program

Darren Hungness, the new Director of Douglas Count Land and Resource Department, was introduced and spoke about what he visions for the future in working with LLA. Any questions on Land Use should contact DCLR at 762-3863.

John introduced the Lobster Lake Management Plan and reviewed the Action Plan within. Volunteers are needed to implement the plan to be successful. He handed out sheets to everyone to form committees and chair persons of those committees and gave a brief overview of the scope of each committee.

A member asked about Carp traps...are they necessary?? No volunteers to clean them so it has been dropped.

Wayne Nelson was recognized for his service as Vice President

Hardy Huettl made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Pete Onstad.

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m...