

Lobster Lake Association
Annual Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2009
LaGrand Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by President John Stone. A welcome was expressed. Approximately 55 people were in attendance.

Secretary minutes from the 2008 meeting (mailed) were approved by Pete Onstad/Jerry Ellis.

The Treasurer's reported (mailed) \$6107.41 total income, \$8718.69 total expenses leaving a balance of \$7,974.88. Motion by Myron Lofquist second by Lynn Bushard to approve.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Harvey Strom reported on the Red Rock Lake carp removal of over 70,000 #. More info is on their web site. Ice out was 4/20/09
Hardy Huettl-AIS Milfoil watch was started 3 years ago. 12 people are on the watch committee. This year they will be looking for curly leaf as Smith, Ida and Osakis have the weed and it starts earlier than other weeds.

Pete Onstad-Water Quality- He always needs more volunteers and he will be adding testing of incoming waters from other lakes/streams/sloughs. All data is sent to the MPCA and REM labs. He has 20 years of data on the web site. Fish Lake will be monitored for dissolved oxygen in 2009.

Jerry Ellis- Newsletter- 1996 Arlene Knutson was the 1st editor. He will continue to produce a newsletter twice a year. If anyone has an article they want to see in the letter, let him know.

John Stone Lakescaping- new projects coordinating with SWCD.

Bonnie Huettl-Membership reported 2008 membership was 240.

John Stone Management Plan-We will do a visioning session next year to update the plan

Hardy Huettl- Signage- All signs are up and have a good presence.

Bruce Strandskov-Fish the DNR stocks every other year and LLA does the opposite years to keep all classes viable. The DNR used to fry but now uses fingerlings; they have a better survival rate. LLA stocks in the winter rather than fall. The Hospitality Tax helped us stock 600# of walleye. If we want to maximize the match program we need more donations.

Web Site- Encourage all to use this for up to date information.

Bonnie Huettl DCLA- This group continues to monitor the county and encourages them to update shoreland rules.

NEW BUSINESS

New Projects

Comment Cards- John placed them so you can give feed back of what you want to see at your meetings.

Jim Barrett wanted everyone to know about the water regulations being more closely enforced. They are on the web site. Need a permit for structures but not docks.

Loon Nests – 3 were built and placed and had good results.

Directories- the new directories are available to paid members. Bonnie will try to keep them update with new residents as they move in. They will be noted in the newsletter.

Arnie Vick –Requested \$500 to initiate watercraft inspection project at the access by the DNR. The LLA will apply for the grant to help defray costs for next year.

Email addresses- Jim Barrett explained that the best way to communicate is e mail. Please get your addresses to the secretary via the web site

Jim Barrett has retired as Area Director of Paulins Paradise and a new one has yet to be named.

John noted that our by-laws need to be revised.

Area meeting are to be conducted at the discretion of the Area Directors.

There was a discussion regarding having an Association gathering /picnic for socializing. 50% by show of hands were interested. No one was willing to head the project.

Election of Officers: Jerry Ellis of the nominating committee presented the slate of officers. John Stone Pres, Bruce Strandskov Vice Pres., Bonnie Huettl- Secy, Bev Paulin, Treas. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion made by Harvey Strom/Arlene Knutson. The vote was unanimous for the present officers to continue.

A Director for the Foslien's North Bay, Norlana Lane and Eternity Point is needed.

Also needed is another Director at large.

Leslie George- DNR Aquatic Plant Management Specialist presented the educational program.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted by; Bonnie Huettl Secretary