

LOBSTER LAKE ASSOCIATION
DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

1728 Golden Drive SW

Tuesday, April 07, 2015

1. Call To Order: President Bonnie Huettl called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. In attendance were: Nancy Wavrin, Rod and Cathy Johnson, Merrill Pedersen, Harvey Strom, Jim Barrett, Steve and Joleen Kogler, Kevin Weisel, Hardy Huettl, and Florence Wieneke.
2. Florence Wieneke was introduced as the new Lobster Lake Association (LLA) Secretary.
3. Secretary's Report: The Secretary's minutes from the September 26, 2014 Directors Meeting were amended as follows:
 - a. Under New Business, Item #3 to read as follows: Officer elections next year...need SECRETARY and DIRECTOR FOR ETERNITY POINT. Suggestions for nominees.

Motion was made by Merrill Pedersen to Accept Minutes as Amended. Nancy Wavrin seconded. Passed.

4. Treasurer's Report: Joleen Kogler gave the Treasurer's Report. Balances as of April 7, 2015: Checking: \$6,848.70; Walleye Fund: \$926.00; and Sale of Lobster Wear: \$714.00. Rod Johnson made a Motion to accept Treasurer's Report. Cathy Johnson seconded. Passed.

Committee Reports:

1. AIS – Hardy Huettl reported Curly-Leaf Pondweed in the East Bay area. Still no Eurasian Water Milfoil or Zebra Mussels in Lobster Lake. Hardy reported he still has 12 inspectors to assist in AIS monitoring.
2. Water Monitoring – Rod Johnson presented colored graphs representing completed readings at four different Lobster Lake sites regarding phosphorous and chlorophyll a levels. Phosphorous levels are good and chlorophyll a levels are flat. Readings are taken five times per year: May, June, July, August, and September. Moe Township has purchased a computer friendly overhead which could be used at the LLA Annual Meeting. Graphs indicating Rod's findings will be incorporated into the LLA Newsletter. Hardy recapped the 2014 Secchi disk readings.
3. Newsletter – Jerry Ellis was not present, but a scheduled mid-May Newsletter will be published.
4. E-mails – Jim Barrett is 'on top of it'. Only one email per household. Emails will not become public information. The emails will be used only by the LLA to relay emergency and/or public service information.
5. Membership - The updated Membership Directory will be available at the May, 2015 Annual Meeting. There are currently 219 members. Motion was made by Merrill Pederson to

purchase 325 directories for \$1,036.75 (\$3.19 per book). Kevin Weisel seconded. Passed. One directory per member household will be distributed. Extra copies can be purchased for \$4.00 each.

6. DCLA – Steve Kogler explained the efficiencies/inefficiencies of the DCLA. Discussion followed regarding the benefits versus cost to belonging to the association. Motion made by Rod Johnson to continue membership in the DCLA, but pay no more than \$400.00 for annual dues. Harvey Strom seconded. Passed.
7. Walleye Stocking – Kevin Weisel stated in October, 2014, 550 pounds (12 fish per pound) of walleye were stocked in Lobster Lake. During 2015, the LLA will not stock the lake, but the DNR will.
8. Lobster Wear – Cathy Johnson reported working with a new vendor: ETC Signs in Brandon, MN. Cathy went over new pricing from the new vendor. Cathy also listed existing inventory. It was verbally agreed to contribute a vest as a door prize at the Annual Meeting. It also was verbally agreed Cathy can, at her discretion, price older existing inventory for quick sale.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Walleye Donation Boxes – Bonnie Huettl presented information on possible donation/information boxes to be available at Happy's Landing, Wildridge and Paulin's Paradise area sites. The boxes would contain information on stocking Walleyes and envelopes for sending donations for future stocking of walleye. After discussion, it was decided to purchase these boxes at the present time. A motion was made and seconded at the September 26, 2014 Directors' Meeting to purchase said boxes.
2. Nominating Committee – Merrill Pederson will chair the Nominating Committee and make the announcement of officers at the 2015 LLA Annual Meeting.
3. Audit Committee Volunteers – Rod Johnson and Hardy Huettl volunteered to be on the Auditing Committee. The books will need to be audited before the 2015 Annual Meeting on May 2, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Project for AIS – Hardy Huettl attended a good seminar at the U/M. The sediment in Lobster Lake impedes the spread of Zebra Mussels, but not veligers (baby Zebra Mussels). There is a 'netting' available to trap these veligers for an initial cost of \$600. This netting can be used to collect samples. The collected sample netting would be sent to RMB Labs for an analysis at a cost of \$90.00 per time. This procedure would be done twice a year. The advantage of the netting would be to create awareness and elimination of the veligers before they become a more costly problem. Because of the large investment involved, the Directors decided to bring this discussion to the 2015 LLA Annual Meeting.
2. Newsletter – Have articles ready for Jerry to include in the LLA Newsletter.
3. Biffy at Public Access – Merrill Pederson reported that Muskies, Inc. would provide and absorb the cost of setting up, cleaning, and taking down a public toilet at the Public Access Launch Area.

There will be no cost to the LLA and the DNR has authorized placement of the “Biffy” from May – October, 2015. Motion was made by Kevin Weisel to have Muskies, Inc. put up a Biffy at the Public Access. Harvey Strom seconded. Passed.

4. 50’ Buffer Zone by Governor – Bonnie Huettl explained this ruling did not apply to lake shore; only to rivers, ditches, etc.
5. Annual Meeting Speaker, Refreshments, etc. - Bonnie Huettl announced Dean Beck would be the speaker at the May Annual Meeting. Mr. Beck is from the DNR Fisheries Division. Rolls will be served at the meeting.
6. Increasing Membership – General consensus is meeting residents on a one-to-one basis is the best way to increase membership. Directors are encouraged to greet and meet new residents in this manner.
7. Area Picnics – Directors were encouraged to arrange summer/fall picnics. Easier said than done!!!
8. Magnets – Bonnie Huettl raised the idea of giving paid members a magnet in the shape of the State of Minnesota with a Lobster Lake etching as a nice gesture. The cost being \$0.60 – \$0.85 per magnet. This item will be on the 2015 Fall Directors’ Meeting.
9. A motion was made by Hardy Huettl that the next Board of Directors’ meeting will convene at 4:00 PM opposed to 4:30 PM, so that Bonnie does not have to furnish the evening meal. Rod Johnson seconded. Passed
10. Motion made by Harvey Strom to adjourn. Jim Barrett seconded. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Florence Wieneke, Secretary