

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

September 22, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Krueger at 9:09 AM

ALL Board Members Present: Yerhot; Riley; Rasmussen; Porter; Nelson; Krueger; Dupra.

Besides the Board members, there were eight association members present.

Minutes of June 2nd 2007 meeting were read and approved

Treasures report read. Balance as of August 31, 2007: \$20,483.48. Approved by motion. Discussion followed as to future money needs and utilizing longer term CD's for better return. The movement of money will be left to the treasurers' discretion, as needed for cash flow. It was noted that the donations to the I Lid account to cover the initial purchase is in deficit of \$1020.

Board Officers Responsibilities: President: Jim Krueger; V.Pres.: Steve Riley; Secretary: Bill Porter; Treasurer: Rick Yerhot; Grant Writer Asso: Tom Nelson; Newsletter Asso: Denise Dupra; Lake & Habitat Improvement Project Coordinator: Phil Rasmussen
Motion was made and approved for these individuals responsibilities.

Balloting Procedure. A motion was made to revise our voting practice.
"The July/August Newsletter will be replaced with a letter of procedure, one ballot per NLA member and nominee's bio. This ballot shall be returned by mail to NLA or brought into the Annual meeting in person." The motion was approved.

Newsletters: Newsletters will go out in November 2007; April and June 2008.
Encouragement was given for members and Board members to submit articles for the newsletter.

Cable Days/Fall Fest: NLA will have a booth to raise awareness of Aquatic Invasive Species and promote the association on Saturday September 29th. AIS literature will be available for interested folks along with info and membership forms for NLA. Helium filled balloons will be given away.

Denise has offered a wildlife photograph to NLA for the furtherance of our cause. A motion to raffle the photograph for donations toward our I Lids account was made and approved.

Environmental Sentry Protection Monthly Payments: NLA has a signed three year contract with ESP for \$1800. per camera. This covers Monthly video captures; insurance, installation, removal, storage and repair. Steve Riley was recognized by a member associate for his work in implementing the Sentry Systems and pushing for more stringent enforcement for AIS offences.

2008 Grants: Steve reported his research with Liesch Environmental Services, Inc. Choices of grant programs are numerous and money is available through the WDNR for our projects. Three choices of Grants, with variable complexity and benefits were analyzed by LES. 1) Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grants 2) Lake Management Planning Grants-Large Scale 3) Lake Protection & Classification Grants.

Analysis research will continue between LES and NLA.

Castle Creek Beaver Control: We have worked with the WDNR and USDA, in the past, in respect to clearing beaver obstacles in Castle Creek. The charge for this service is \$400. Walleye spawning is believed to be increased by keeping this creek open. Denise has volunteered to check the creek via kayak before entering into contract with USDA to see if their services would be prudent.

Bayfield County Lakes Forum: We have been invited to join the BCLF. The organization is an advocate to Preserving and Protecting the lakes of Bayfield County. A motion was made and carried to donate \$150. to the organization and Jim Krueger volunteered to be our liaison.

Bayfield County Evasive Species Committee: Jim Krueger is our NLA representative.

Buoy Removal: No Wake Buoys will be removed on or about October 27th. Jim, Bill, Tom, Rick and Steve will assist.

Additional Rock Buoys: Requests have been made to NLA for additional ROCK buoys. These requests and locations will be passed along to the Town Of Namakagon. Anyone with requests are advised to pass the info, in form of a map and locations marked, to Jim Krueger.

NLA Projects for 2008: Fun on the Water/Youth Safety Skills Day; Fall Fest/Cable Days; Lake Clean Up; Newsletters (3); AIS monitoring; Water Testing; Beaver Control in Castle Creek; Fishery Improvement.

Move to Adjourn/ Carried.

Respectfully,
Bill Porter (Secretary NLA)

