

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 by President Phil Rasmussen

Board Members Present: Tim Browne, Linda Fischer, Denise Dupras
Board Member Absent: Julia Campbell, Steve Riley, Lisa Holt
NLA Member Attendees: 3

Minutes of January 8, 2011 Meeting

Reviewed by Board and membership in attendance. A motion to approve was made by Tim Browne and seconded by Linda Fischer. The minutes were approved.

Treasures Report:

Submitted by Tim Browne. The General Accounting balance as of 4/16/2011 was reported as 25,119.40. Motion to accept report made by Denise Dupras and seconded by Linda Fischer. The report was approved

Grant Update:

Denise provided a brief grant update. Jim Krueger indicated that the town can no longer reimburse the NLA, so any bills needing payment from NLA should be sent to the town. With an accepted final report to the WDNR, FOTH will be paid. At this time the final amount of the bill is disputed. The NLA will continue to pursue options for retaining the services of Mike Gardner and Northland College for current and future grant activities.

Lake Clean-Up:

Tom Nelson will coordinate the activity this year again and begin calling volunteers soon as the ice is almost out.

Bouy Placement:

Jim Krueger supplied an updated list of the coordinates for all of the buoys and indicated that the WDNR has this list also. He also discussed that it is not the intent for the buoys to be exactly at the coordinates and that movement due to wind and waves does not require repositioning. The buoys will be placed prior to fishing opener.

Shoreland Restoration Committee:

Mr. Bob Parsonage is unable to chair this committee but remains interested in being involved. The Board and membership recommended that the list that Mr. Parsonage has be a starting point for determining if there is sufficient interest to consider applying for a WDNR grant in the future. The committee will be formed from interested members and a chair selected from the group. There will be an item in the upcoming newsletter and Jim Krueger has volunteered to be the contact until the committee is formed.

Bayfield County Lake Group AIS Round Table Report:

Denise attended the meeting and provided a brief report on the meeting. There were no actionable items. Jeremy Bates is the new BC AIS project coordinator. Under the Great

Lakes Restoration Initiative Grant, a new position the Lake Superior Basin AIS Coordinator was created and filled by Maureen Ferry. She is planning to work with all of Bayfield County. Pam Toschner discussed the 3 types of grants – planning, protection, and AIS.

New Business:

1. The WDNR has approved a slow no wake zone from the Birch Lane Bridge to the Dam.
2. New signage is required at all landings and a new AIS sign will replace current older signs.
3. Fun on the Water Date – Linda has begun discussions with Al Stawicki for the 2011 event. Options for changing dates to the Saturday will be explored.
4. Julia Campbell will be contacted to determine if we should hire or get volunteers for monitoring landings this year.
5. Ruth Lull has volunteered to author a facebook page for the NLA.
6. Annual Meeting Program – Denise will contact Mike Gardner to coordinate a program on Shoreland Restoration for the meeting.
7. Jim Krueger updated the Board on expected road construction/gravel pit work to begin this fall.

Old Business:

1. Fish sticks project was discussed.
2. Newsletters – options to decrease costs, consideration of email distribution were discussed. Denise will check with Jamie to determine if fewer pages would decreased the cost. A newsletter will go out before the next meeting.
3. Cell tower update – Chequamegon Communications is not pursuing the tower, Verizon now is being considered
4. The NLA website needs updating
5. The Board and membership recommended we keep 7 Board members rather than decrease to 5.
6. We need to start recruiting individuals to run for the Board.
7. County D Landing remains in limbo.

Correspondance:

None

Next Meeting Date: May 21st , 9AM, Grand View Town Hall

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 3:21 and seconded by Tim Browne. The meeting was adjourned.