

## NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 by President Phil Rasmussen

Board Members Present: Steve Riley, Tim Browne, Linda Fischer, Denise Dupras, Lisa Holt, Julia Campbell

NLA Member Attendees: 4

Guests: 1

### **Minutes of July 10, 2010 Meeting**

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

### **Treasures Report:**

Submitted by Tim Browne. The General Accounting balance as of 9/17/2010 was reported as 22,251.55. A motion to approve was made by Denise Dupras and seconded by Steve Riley. The report was approved.

### **Grant Update:**

Denise Dupras shared the letter she received from Foth in response to the request to itemize the additional charges for completion of the survey. In the letter they outlined a general breakdown of the \$2500 additional charge for the 2<sup>nd</sup> scientist and the questionnaire expenses. The Board and membership discussed the letter and also the information from the WDNR on residual funding available to the NLA for grants LPL-1234-08 & LPL-1235-08, \$2,500 & \$1867.03 respectively.

After discussion, Denise Dupras made a motion "Denise Dupras will contact Mr. Brian Hinrichs at Foth, with the following offer – the NLA will agree to pay Foth \$4367.03, equal to the amount of the funds available from the WDNR for the two grants, in payment for the completion of acceptable deliverables, to include the sanitary survey, sociologic landowners survey, and APM plan to the WDNR. If the offer is declined, president Phil Rasmussen is authorized to contact and retain an attorney to notify Foth of breach of contract." The motion was seconded and approved.

### **ILIDs:**

The Garden Lake camera is not currently functional because The Landing has discontinued its internet service. Steve Riley has been in contact with Eric Lindberg and will contact him to determine where the router is and how we can get the camera up and functional before the Muskie Tournament. The NLA will likely need to fund the internet service next year. Other options will also be investigated.

Eric Lindberg has provided a generic log-on for reviewing the recordings. Denise Dupras will contact the volunteers to coordinate the review of landing tapes.

The Board reviewed the most recent invoice from EPS regarding the ILIDs. Steve Riley will clarify the required payment for the 4<sup>th</sup> ILID which has not been installed because of the anticipated Hwy D renovation that has not started.

**Report from Lake Owen Association:**

Steve Riley attended the Lake Owen Association meeting. Mr. Mike Gardner from the Sigurd Olson Institute was there and has entered into an agreement with the Lake Owen Association to provide services. The Board and membership discussed options to work in the future with the Institute and anticipate contacting them after the Foth projects are completed.

**Volunteer Appreciation Dinner:**

A dinner to recognize the volunteers will be held on October 9 at the Namakagon Town Hall. Linda Fischer and Julia Campbell will coordinate the event. Denise Dupras will work on the initiations and will get a list to them. The volunteer and a spouse will be invited. RSVP will be required.

**Website:**

The domain name is due for a renewal, Denise Dupras will take care of this. After discussion she will also look for options for a new web-designer.

**New Business:**

Meeting Schedule - The next meeting will be Dec 4, 2010. Additional meetings will be held in 2011 on February 19<sup>th</sup>, April 16<sup>th</sup>, May 21<sup>st</sup>, June 25<sup>th</sup> and the Annual meeting August 20<sup>th</sup>. Fun on the Water will be held on July 23, 2011. The meeting in May will be held at Grand View.

Sign Installation – Rick Yerhot will coordinate with Lisa Holt to get the signs installed. Brochure holders and literature will be added after installation.

State of the Lake Presentation – Phil Rasmussen recommended that we work with the Sigurd Olson Institute to develop a report on the “State of the Lake”, that would be presented at the annual meeting each year.

Membership – Options for recruiting new members for the NLA were discussed. Bill Porter recommended that we send an invoice to members whose dues are due. We also discussed sending a postcard mailing to landowners based on the addressed we had for the survey early in 2011 to recruit new members.

Budget Request – The towns of Namakgon and Grand View have requested the NLA provide them with information about what monies will be requested for 2011. Denise Dupras made a motion that Tim Browne and Phil Rasmussen review the expected expenses and prepare a budget to present to the towns. This was seconded and approved.

Muskie Inc Tournament. – Denise Dupras will contact the organizers and ask them to limit the number of landings used in the upcoming tournament to Lakewoods, Hwy D,

and the Landing. We will contact with Northland College for monitors for the tournament.

**Old Business:**

Shoreland Restoration Committee – At the Annual meeting Steve Riley and Tim Browne indicated a willingness to work on this committee. At this time we do not know whether Bob Parsonage will continue to work on this project. It will be due for a renewal at the February meeting.

**Correspondance:**

A letter from a member was received but not read at the meeting because the entire Board was not present. It will be read at the December meeting. The member expressed concern about some of the discussion at the recent Annual Meeting.

E-Mail Issues – President Phil Rasmussen lead a discussion about the excessive number of emails that are being sent. He recommended that communication by email be used only for essential issues. Most of the issues facing the Board should be discussed at the meeting and should not be vetted via email. He will communicate this to Steve Riley who was not present at the end of the meeting.

Next Meeting Date: December 4, 2010, 9AM, Namakagon Town Hall

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 10:43 and seconded by Linda Fischer. The meeting was adjourned.