

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order at by President Phil Rasmussen

Board Members Present: Tom Nelson, Tim Browne, Lisa Holt, Julia Campbell, Linda Fischer
Board Members Absent: Denise Dupras

NLA Member Attendees: 1

Minutes of Annual meeting of 2008 were read. Motion to approve made and seconded, Annual Meeting 2008 minutes approved. Minutes from Board meeting held 8/16/2008 were read and approved.

Treasures Report: Submitted by Tim Browne. Balance as of 8/31/2009 was 23,733.47. Total income \$1870. Expenses \$12,016.04. General Accounting balance as of 9/12/2009 was 25,460.64. Read, seconded and approved.

There was discussion regarding the FOTH bill and process of review and identification of errors. Tim expressed appreciation of the assistance of Steve Riley in the review of the bill. Breakdown of expenses was discussed from recent FOTH visits for accounting and billing processes.

Discussion ensued regarding "common reed" identified by FOTH during the survey and the consideration for removal/treatment. The Board recommended contacting Pam Toshner at the DNR and/or Stephania for further information, Julia Campbell will make contact.

Grant Update: Lisa led the discussion. The Board discussed identifying the costs associated with grants for the upcoming year. An email from Steve Riley was read listing the anticipated expenses of \$40,000 for upcoming grants. He recommended we go to the Towns and request \$6800 each for the 2010 year. The sanitary survey will also be conducted. FOTH prepared two grants which have not been approved by the NLA and were not submitted for the August date, so will need to be submitted for the February cycle. Lisa Holt led the discussion of the plan for new signs, including options for sign size. Businesses will be asked to consider contributing 25% of the cost. The goal would be to get signs at all of the public and private landings (9) on the lake. Denise Dupras will work with the Duluth manufacturer to develop mock-ups for some of the signs and have them available for the upcoming town meetings. The Board agreed on the wording to be included on the signs and size 4x4ft. We will need letters from Towns to support grant application. Motioned and approved unanimously to submit grant application for signs (4x4) and request letters of support.

Lake District Discussion: Board and members discussed Lake Districts and the options including all of the lakes in the town of Namakagon or simply the Lake Namekagon chain. The information will be included in the next newsletter for the membership of the NLA. Information from Patrick Goggins or from the Board will be included. Board motioned and approved plan to pursue additional information on Lake Districts. Will be shared with the Town Board meetings.

Musky Inc. Tournament Letter: Board discussed letter and Phil will send on to the organizers.

Walleye Count: Held Sept 21 and 22nd for newly hatched fish. There is an opportunity to ride along with them during the count. Phil has asked for the count to be done at the north end of the Lake to see if there are differences between areas of the lake.

Removal of Lake Buoys: Rick Yerhot volunteered to help Tim Brown and Tom Nelson, will plan to wait until after the last tournament before removal. Plan to remove on October 18th. There will be an inventory of the buoys this year as there have been more problems with the buoys this year after the change from chains to ropes. Will need to request an additional buoy for next year.

WebSite: Need to update meeting times on the website, this will be done by Denise.

Meeting Minutes: Will be sent by Denise to Town Boards after review by the Board members and include the up coming meeting date.

Meeting Dates: Discussed by the Board, Nov 7th, Feb 6th, April 3rd, May 8th, June 5th, July 10th, Fun on the Water July 25th tentative, Annual Meeting 21st. Discussed the requirement for an open meeting in Grandview and will plan to have the Apr 3rd meeting there.

Other Business: Lori at Cable Namekagon History Museum contacted ?? to request they be able to send their newsletter to the NLA membership. The Board discussed and felt that we should not share our mailing list with other organizations.

Insurance for the NLA: Lisa Holt described the liability policy the NLA has to cover injuries, current coverage is \$1,000,000.

Correspondence: None

The meeting was adjourned by motion, seconded and approval by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Dupras