

Namakagon Lake Association

Namagakon Town Hall

Date: 4/29/2017

Call to Order: Greg Dehring

Attendance:

Board Members – Present: Jim Krueger, Linda Fischer, Steve Musser, Greg Dehring,
Absent: Denise Dupras, Amanda Staudemeyer, Jim DeRoma

Approval of Minutes:

Read by Linda Fischer. Minutes: 10/1/2016 & 3/4/17 Corrections made to Minutes.
Motion to approve by Greg Dehring seconded by Jim Krueger for both set of minutes.

Introductions

Board and attendees introduced.

Treasurers Report:

Read by Steve Musser. From 4/28/17

CD \$12,005.60; Checking \$30,120.83= Total Assets \$42,126.43

Accounting methodology being set up so that all monies can be followed and accounted for, to allow accurate management of grant dollars.

Motion to Approve: Greg Dehring Seconded: Linda Fischer

Grant Update: presented by Jim Krueger

1. Rapid Response Grant – 4/3/17 open water first treatment of Lakewoods harbor. Used red dye to follow spread to treatment. Winds and conditions perfect for treatment. WDNR monitored treatment hourly testing (Pam Toschner and Mark Sundeen) Ms. Toschner prepared a report, no evidence of spread into the lake. Prior to treatment all parties were notified of the plan. Tribes worked with WDNR and addressed legal concerns. Pulled up first plans, that were hybrid milfoil, green already present. Will continue to monitor and watch. WDNR will monitor weekly. Diquat used which only kills living plants and does not penetrate the soil. Treatment cost \$1057, sampling and testing costs pending. Additional grant dollars are able to pay for student services. Two additional areas will need monitoring where there was evidence of a few plants last year. ID is critical differentiating Northern (good) from hybrid. Reminder to record volunteer hours for monitoring, volunteers must be trained in order for it to count. Treatment of Lakewoods bay provides opportunity for learning how to use diquat which requires temp 50 degrees or higher.

2. Landing grants - 3 for \$3000 each – Funnys Bay, Highway D, Lakewoods. Matching grants, money paid to landing supervisors counts towards grants. May need paid supervisors at Funnys through the summer. Northland – students Memorial Day thru Labor Day at the other two landings. Matching staffing based on level of activity at landings. May 4th, 11 AM at Town Hall will be training sessions for landing monitors. Andy Teal will train and also educate on milfoil. Greg Dehring will bring his boat.
3. 2011 Planning Grant – Finalizing being done by Jim and Steve. This was a 33/67 grant (33%/67%). Should not get into this type of grant due to the increased costs to NLA/town. NLA responsible for \$12,000 and there is no “in-kind” activity. Important Message – **do not apply for 33/67 grants, nor grants without “in-kind” options.** It is critically important to make sure that the right party is paying the bills and should be facilitated by a spreadsheet. Discussion ensued about problems with prior accounting and grants.
4. Northland College Students – Jim will meet with Randy Lehr to finalize numbers and details. Will have one sponsored student who will have specific tasks, may include some time as a landing supervisor.

New Business

- Brochure updating – Defer to June meeting
- Newsletter –Need more emphasis on “Thank You’s”- put on front or second page, put this as part of the template. Move recipe to back page of the newsletter. Need to update all information on newsletter. First page – Board Members, phone numbers, next meeting.
- Letter of appreciation to Town Boards – Andy Teal sent a letter of appreciation to the Town Boards and NLA. There is a plaque for this.
- Lake Buoys – all in but Garden Lake (Jim Pliska and Jim DeRoma were a great help in repairing buoys and installing.
- New osprey nests – Hilltop and County M

Old Business:

- Membership dues/mailings - Linda discussed issues and confusion with having membership form on newsletter and multiple dues payments. New plan – two mailings. One to everyone in January, one in June for those who do not pay. Recommendation for additional newsletter as well as membership forms to share with new residents on the lake. Letter of thank you for above and beyond payments by members. Linda sends out letters of recognition. Request for stamp to use on the back of the checks for deposit.
- Camera Reviewers –Diane Grage is unable to coordinate this year. We need new coordinator. Dori Barris and Ed Hilz were viewers last year. Will need to talk to Diane to find out if she identified anyone to take on this task.
- Fishing Opener – Friday night get-together. Governor Walker will be there. Saturday many activities at Lakewoods. Walleye situation will be addressed with Governor Walker. Greg was contact by Scott Toschner who provided an update on what was done related to assessing walleye in the lake. Scott

recommended to WDNR to stock lake for walleye, specifics are unknown, but it needs to be the correct strain of walleye. There was also discussion of increasing walleye and the possibility of increased take by Indians. Last stocking of the lake was in the 1990s. Fall recruitment survey provides information on reproductive behavior of walleye. Greg discussed “walleye wagon”.

- NLA Annual meeting – August 19, 2017 date. Will need to send out ballots under a separate mailing. will discuss at June meeting.
- Lake Clean-up – coordinated by Kent Lage

Correspondence:

- Letter of concern from Steve Riley read at the meeting. Discussed that the WDNR makes all final decisions about the lake in cooperation with the NLA. Lakewoods is private launch.

Questions from Audience:

- Question from audience about shoreline being pushed up and how to manage it. Discussed ok to push back shoreline to natural state. Garden Lake landing needs repair due to damage this year with ice. If there is damage, you can apply for permit to repair. Maybe through land and water without DNR involvement.

Motion to adjourn made by Greg Dehring, seconded by Steve Musser. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: June 10, 2017

Respectfully submitted – Denise Dupras, NLA Secretary,
based on review of dictation.