

Ida Lake Association Annual Property Owners Meeting Minutes

Date: May 23, 2009 Time: 9:00 a.m. Place: Ida Township Hall

- The meeting was called to order by President, Rob Auel.
- Rob read the Mission Statement which is the guidance of the Lake Association Meeting.
- Bud Anderson was introduced as the newly elected Vice President to fill the vacancy left by Tom Scearcy.
- Rob asked that the Directors introduce themselves and the District they represent.
- The August 23 and Annual Lake Association report was read by Marilyn Bedman. There were no corrections or additions. Dan Berke made a motion to accept it as read and Don Carlson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- The printed Treasurer's report was presented by Jim Peterson. The overall balance is \$68,179.27. The report included all income and expenses by category and compared to last year. Jim also reported there are 262 paid members to date. Jim also shared with us that "Let's Go Fishing" has another pontoon. Andy Lopez made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Jack Petrillo seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Don Carlson reported on the nomination Committee's problem finding persons to run for office. In question is the position of Secretary.
- **Water Quality** Bill Sandstrom reported that the Leaf Valley Sportsmen had contributed \$1,500 and \$2,000 was given through the Viking Sportsmen and our Association matched it totaling \$7,000. It made it possible to stock 15,000 to 18,000 fingerlings. The DNR electric shock numbers were 28 in fall of 2008 compared to 24 in fall of 2007. The DNR stocked their annual 1.7 fry of walleye this spring, may up it to 2.5 million if available . Bill Sandstrom stressed how important it is not to take the small ones out and that there are a lot of Bass in Lake Ida.
- **Curly Leaf Pond weed** The issue of the Curly Leaf Pond weed continues. Wes Smith brought samples of the weed for everyone to observe. The plant came originally from Africa, likes to grow in approximately 22 feet of water in murky calm bays, thrives in high phosphorus areas, lays dormant all winter and needs to be harvested before it gets into a pod. Sharon Underhill shared with us it is spread by boats and motors and grows faster in warm water. They are doing a grid and are putting some buoys out. The contact person at the DNR is Nathan Olson.
- **Farm Runoff** Tom Scearcy reported on the farm runoff and stated it has been a slow process. There have been permits applied for but have been denied. 217 tests by secchi disc readings have been done. The farmer has a berm and has been helpful as far as his farm and trying to stop the runoff.

- **Political Rules and Regulation Committee** Bud Nielsen gave an update on the Bremmer Variance request of a controlled access easement for land on the east side of County Road 34. The city of Garfield has asked for another holding pond. Tom Searcy stated Garfield does check weekly for phosphorus, a fecal coliform test because of the sewage.
- **Lake Charlie Cemetery** Frank Bartlett reported that the cemetery has been surveyed, cleaned up and that a sign will be put up in the near future. The records were destroyed in 1956. Frank has made crosses and erected them. There are 2 Civil War Veterans, 1 African American (who came with a family from the East and he also did some work at Bedman's Beach Resort), 28 unknown and 12 known individuals buried there. Flowers have been purchased and placed at the gravesites in memoriam.
- Gerry Olson from District #5 said he has removed many floating bogs from the lake and does not know where they are coming from. Rosemary Etzel asked if the Lake Association could take it on as project. Request is going out to please talk to anyone who may be "releasing" these bogs and let them know it has to stop.
- **Communication Committee** Mike Shaughnessy said a flyer will go out as the picnic will be July 25th from 1-5 p.m. at Pilgrim Point. State Senator Bill Ingebretson will be in attendance to share some up to date information. Andy Lopez asked to have everyone's e-mail updated. Rob Auel said the next newsletter should come out before the picnic.
- **Other upcoming events** The Ida Lake Association Fall Property Owners Meeting is August 22, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ida Township Hall. The Social and Awards dinner will be August 22, 2009 at the Corral Supper club in Nelson. Happy hour 5:00 p.m.-- Dinner 6:00 p.m.
- **Roads** They will chloride the roads starting next week. Tom Searcy said the chloride costs .93 cents a gallon and it covers 1 foot by 10 feet.

Jeff Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Jack Petrillo. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Bedman