

# Ida Lake Association Annual Fall Meeting of Property Owners

**9:00 am Aug 22, 2009 Ida Township Hall, Garfield MN**

President Rob Auel called the meeting to order and the Board of Directors and the districts they represent were introduced.

The Secretary's report from the spring meeting, May 23, 2009 were read by interim secretary Karen Berke. The minutes which were prepared by former interim secretary, Marilyn Bedman, were approved by a motion made by Andy Lopez and seconded by? Motion approved.

The Treasurers report was given by Treasurer Jim Peterson. Treasurer Peterson distributed a financial statement showing assets of \$65,579.23. Jim recapped some expenses, including donations to Charlie Cemetery, walleye stocking and worm spraying. A motion was made by Frank Bartlett to accept the Treasurers report and seconded by Jack Petrillo, Motion approved and passed.

Jim Peterson continued the discussion with the audience of property owners and directors about the upcoming classes that are being offered in Douglas County.

- Douglas County Soil and Water is offering a water monitoring class. This class would allow us to expand on the secchi disc readings that are currently being conducted. The class is Tuesday Oct 13, from 9-3, lunch is provided and the Ida Lake Association will pay the \$12.00 fee for the

class. Bill Sandstrom co-director for District 5 will attend. Others interested should contact Bill.

- Douglas County Lakes Association meets the third Thursday of every month. This is a group of all property owners on lakes in Douglas County to help develop new regulations to keep our lakes pristine. Then next meeting is Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, Nathan Olson will talk on Zebra Mussels and the considerable effect on the quality of lake water.
- Curley Leaf Pond- Thank you to Wes Smith for the work he has done in Little Ida to help control the growth of this weed. The first signs of the weeds are in the spring. We won't know until next spring how successful the efforts were this year to keep the weed under control. If we were successful we will continue with the mechanical removal. If not, we will try spraying, although that has been reported by others to not be very successful. The weed quits growing at 65 degrees so for this year we may done with the work required to keep this in check.
- Farm Run Off- Township Board member Tom Searcy has called the farmer about getting together, but has not yet heard from him. Tom will continue to reach him. Permit was issued for 24 months but we are hoping for a resolution much sooner and hope for a plan to be established yet this year.
- Water Clarity Testing—The plan is for this committee to get up to speed on what is currently being done and get the information out to the membership. Andy Lopez reminded the membership that there are links out on the Ida Lake Web

site to different testing companies these reports include comparisons year after year and show that we have continued to improve the quality of the lake. In July it was reported that we had 20 foot water clarity. The cooler weather has helped with the water clarity this year.

- Stocking- Bill Sandstrom reviewed the stocking plan of the fall. The lake will be stocked with between 15-18,000 fingerlings. The funds for the program will be from Leaf Valley and the Viking Sportsman's clubs as well as a contribution from our own association. There is a five year stocking program in place that Bill is monitoring.
- The communications and membership committee reminded the membership of the recognition dinner to be held this evening at the Corral in Nelson. Honorees will be Gary Gibbons, Rose Ann Mahoney and Dean Jahnke. The 2010 Lake Association directory, scheduled for next summer is being discussed. We may see a different format than in the past.
- Don Erstad updated the membership on the roads. Chloriding of the roads was completed, but complaints that the chloride was too thin were reported. The Ditch cleaning started early this year due to the thistles around the township. All signs at the boat landings have been installed and the worm spraying was completed this spring. The tarring of the feeder roads off of Highway 61 has been delayed due to funding. Sunset Strip and Burkey Lane were to have been tarred.

- A drawing for the magazine Cabin Life was held and the winner was Dave Norris on Betsy Ross Road.

The nominating committee has not come up with any names for the President and Secretary Board positions. Nominations were made from the floor. Frank Bartlett moved to close the nominations for President. Don Erstad made a motion to accept the nomination of Dian Lopez as the new president. Bud Nielson seconded, motion passed. Dian Lopez is the new president of the Ida Lake Association. The position of secretary is still not filled. . The meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.

Directors for Odd numbered districts were up for re-election.

District # 1- Sharon Underhill and Wes Smith

#3 Don Carlson/ Denny Gormely

#5 Dan Berke/Bill Sandstrom

#7 Jack Petrillo

#9 Andy Lopez/Dian Lopez

#11 Don Erstad/Mike Schaunessy

#13 George Marthahaler/Dave Josephs

#15 Mike Elias

#17 Jane Norris/Dennis Nunes

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Berke, Interim Secretary

Ida Lake Association