

**Minutes  
Ida Lake Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Ida Township Hall  
April 28, 2012**

**Members Present**

President –Dian Lopez  
Treasurer – Jim Peterson  
Dr at Large –  
District 1 -  
District 2 -  
District 3 – Greg Holl  
District 4 – Greg Anderson  
District 5 - Bill Sandstrom  
District 6 -  
District 7 – Jack Petrillo  
District 8-

Vice President-  
Secretary – Barb Kilgore  
District 9 –Andy Lopez  
District 10 –  
District 11 – Mike Shaughnessy/Don Erstad  
District 12 - Glenn Van Amber  
District 13 –  
District 14 -  
District 15 – Michael Elias  
District 16 – John Dahl/Cliff Drenttel  
District 17 –

President Dian Lopez opened meeting at 9:10 a.m.

**Secretary's Report.** Barb Kilgore read the minutes of the **September 24, 2011, and the April 12, 2012** meetings. Andy Lopez made the motion to approve the Secretary's Report. Mike Shaughnessy seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report** was presented and distributed by Treasurer Jim Peterson, showing a total assets of \$ 63,517.38 and a membership total of 63 as of March 31, 2012. There were three bills to be paid: DCLA - \$1,000.00, Lab Fees - \$600.00 and CNA Insurance - \$167.00. Andy Lopez made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills. Glenn Van Amber seconded the motion. Motion approved.

**Special Meeting Report**

- **Lake Access Monitoring.** President Dian Lopez informed us that the ILA in partnership with Ida Township and the DNR has received approval for a \$5500 grant for monitoring the lake accesses for 2012. The ILA has added an additional \$1500 for a total of \$7,000, which will pay for 700+ hours of monitoring. We need to get T shirts for the people who will be doing the monitoring. The committee consists of Dian Lopez and Greg Holl from the ILA and Barb Kilgore and Tom Searcy from Ida Township. Greg Holl reported that the job description has been posted at the Alexandria Technical College. The next step is to get people hired and trained. Mike Shaughnessy will put the job description up at Jefferson High School, Barb Kilgore will put the job description up at local bait shops and Andy Lopez will put it on the ILA website. We plan to have the accesses covered for most weekends during the summer. The DNR has also scheduled 100+ hours at our Sunset Strip access. We will

have our monitors scheduled at the other accesses when the DNR monitors our at that access. Greg Holl is trying to get in touch with representatives of fishing contests to have monitors available at these events to stress the importance of following the laws to prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS).

- **Lake Ida Protection Report.** Dian went over the assessment report on Lake Ida that Emily Siira of Douglas County Soil and Water Conservation had put together. The report was paid for by a grant received for this purpose. ILA will use the report for making plans for areas to work on and for applying for grants. The report is on the Douglas County Website. It is a preliminary document and the ILA needs to report any errors in it to Douglas County Soil and Water. Mike Shaughnessy made the motion to have 50 copies printed to handout at the May meeting. The copies will be marked preliminary document. Andy Lopez seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- **Northside Lake Access.** Dian Lopez informed us that Tom Searcy had approached the ILA about the possibility of closing the North Lake Access, off of Big Horn Bay Road, for the summer months. Greg Anderson noted that his Great Uncle gave the property for that access as a gift to the public and would like to see it stay open. Greg Anderson suggested getting AIS signs to put up at the access and ask Tom when would be the best times to have the access monitored. Bill Sandstrom stated he is not in favor of closing the access either. Leaf Valley Sportsman put the dock in and take it out. They may be willing to work with us regarding the access.

**Fish Stocking.** Bill Sandstrom reported that the ILA spent \$3500 on stocking walleye fingerlings. He said, we were not able to get the stocking done last fall, so the stocking took place on April 4, 2012. About 1200 fingerlings were put in at that time. We did receive donations from the Leaf Valley Sportsman and the Chamber of Commerce. We have over \$1400 left over from 2011 for fish stocking. The DNR will be doing electro shocking this year. If that number is low there is a possibility that they will stock fry in the lake. The net testing done by the DNR had about 10 walleyes per net. We would like to see 15 walleyes per net. It was suggested to add how much to spend on fish stocking on the Spring meeting agenda.

**Posting.** Bill Sandstrom contacted Dean Beck from the DNR regarding the posting areas on the lake. He was informed that the only area posted was behind the big house at the meat hole on the northwest side of the lake. Bill will check again with Dean Beck about posting other areas of the lake.

**Water Monitoring.** Bill Sandstrom said he had not taken any readings this spring, but the water looks pretty cloudy. Don Erstad reported that Stan Peterson is taking over doing the secchi disk testing in his area.

**Newsletter.** Mike Shaughnessy will be getting the newsletter ready and sent out before the spring meeting in May. Items to include were discussed. Some of the things suggested

were: the fish report, requirements for licensing of dock and lift installation providers, the Leaf Valley Sportsman contribution, lake monitoring, penalties for not following the AIS laws, catch and release, burning leaves and membership applications.

**Boat Parade.** The Fourth of July boat parade is scheduled to be on the south end of the lake this year. No details were discussed. It will be talked about at the Spring meeting in May.

**Picnic???** Dian Lopez asked if we should try to have a picnic or some other function this year. There were no suggestions. It will be talked about at the Spring meeting in May.

**Director Vacancies.** Dian Lopez reported that we have director vacancies that need to be filled. District 7 has two vacancies, Districts 2, 4, 9 and 15 have one vacancy. It was suggested that the vacancies be put in the newsletter.

**Agenda for Spring Meeting.** The lake assessment report, fish stocking, boat parade and a picnic or gathering have already been mentioned. Andy Lopez suggest having a program or guest speaker. Dian Lopez said she has lined up Clay Fisher to report on the results of the survey that was conducted by the University of Morris students over the winter. Glenn Van Amber asked about a report on the testing that was supposed to be done this spring on the inlets to the lake. Dian reported that the program that was going to do that has a new director and the testing has been put on hold. Dian will continue to work with them to see if we can get the testing going again.

#### **Other**

- **Day at the Lakes.** Dian Lopez reported that the Douglas County Soil and Water is sponsoring a Day at the Lakes today, April 28, 2012 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. They will be offering a free nitrate clinic to analyze well water. There is also a free lunch and other information available.
- **ILA sign for the Town Hall.** Andy Lopez reported that the Ida Township Board said that they would need to see the plans for an ILA sign before they would approve having one hung up in the town hall. Andy said he would be willing to work with someone, but we need someone to help design a sign. Gary Dormanen was suggested.

**Adjourn.** Andy Lopez made the motion to adjourn at 10:25 a.m. Glenn Van Amber seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Respectively submitted  
Barb Kilgore, ILA Secretary