

Child, Girl and Woman Lakes Area Association Meeting
May 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Don Kruse. Members present: Don Kruse, Tom Jansen, John Gundale, Myles Wagner, Rich Hess, Cindy Hankey, Bob Hankey, Jim Lewis, Vic Rinke, Sue Meyer, Jim Limburg, Ted Sigtenhorst and Joyce Humphreys. Also present: Jon Stevenson and Gary Meyer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes of the October 16, 2014 meeting were approved as printed. M/S/P
Treasurers report was approved as printed. M/S/P

OLD BUSINESS:

Roosevelt Lake Conservancy Project is on hold.

NEW BUSINESS:

M/S/P to accept the resignation of Gary Knox as Vice President.

M/S/P to accept the appointment of Jon Stevenson as Vice President.

Irene Schires presented a number of different Logos. The new Logo has been decided on and will be put to use. Irene did a wonderful job and a \$100.00 gift will be given to her with our thanks.

M/S/P to have a new banner made with the new Logo.

M/S/P to approve the Bylaw changes needed to reflect the new name of the Association.

M/S/P to pay \$30.00 monthly for the use of Woodrow Town hall.

Don reported that there is a new NO WAKE sign available for the entrance into Broadwater.

M/S/P to continue with the Water Testing Program.

M/S/P to obtain beads for the 4th of July parade.

M/S/P to pay the ACCL dues of \$150.00.

M/S/P to continue with the \$200.00 donation to Catch & Release if still actively in operation.

Tom will follow up on the appreciation dinner as to places available.

Carol will stay in touch with Don in updating the Web Site.

M/S/P to accept the resignation of Myles Wagner as Chairman of Membership Committee.

M/S/P to accept the appointment of Bob Hankey as Co-Chairman of the Membership Committee with Cindy Hankey.

We will now need a Committee Chair for the Water Quality position.

Myles reported that while working with the Association membership up grading and mailings his printer broke down. M/S/P to replace printer for \$170.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fisheries: Rich Hess reported - Fall 2014 gill netting: good Walleye catch at 8.93 per gill net (15 nets). Northern pike catch 6.2 per gill net. Yellow Perch was 13.6 per gill net. All three types have increased.

Fall electrofishing shows a decline for the 2nd consecutive year for YOY walleye. Growth rate was good for the 5th consecutive year and averaged 5.5 inches. The capture rate of YOY was 14.3 per hour which exceeded the fingerling contingency target rate of 6.3.

Boy River Walleye trap opened on April 13th and was closed on April 23rd. Spawner run began slowly and was protracted, the DNR collected the rest of their eggs from the stronger run at Cut Foot Sioux on Lake Winnibigoshish.

More than 100 quarts of eggs were collected at the trap and another 100 plus quarts were taken in one day at Cut foot.

The targeted stockings have been completed in the Fry Stocking study on Woman Lake and 2015 will be the final year of sampling under the study. However, Doug Schultz will develop a long-term study protocol for Woman Lake and the CGWLAA will participate in the development of this plan later this year.

AIS: Rich reported - the CGWLAA has been awarded a grant of \$3,000.00 from the DNR to conduct watercraft inspections at the County 5 ramp. Inspectors will be trained by the DNR and have the authority to prevent a watercraft from launching. Our Grant monies will cover 50% of the cost of inspections and Cass County will pay the other 50%. The AIS training program and trailer stickers has been postponed. The DNR has added 71 bodies of water to their statewide list of Infested Water, including Pike Bay Lake in Cass County. Preliminary inspections of Christmas Lake this spring indicated that zebra mussel control measures applied last year has been effective. A confined area in the lake was treated with Zequanox in Sep. 2014, followed by a copper-based product in Oct. and Nov. and then potash in Dec. Potash (potassium chloride) affects the zebra mussels ability to breathe, but does not effect fish. Further searches by divers will be conducted this year and beyond.

Membership: Myles reported that we have 462 members. Letters were sent out with a questionnaire to 117 non returning members. No responses yet. A problem with TDS and E mail exists so Myles will print labels for the newsletters to be sent.

Water Patrol: Ted reported that all is up and running. May and June are covered. He met with the sheriffs personnel and the new radio is installed.

Conservation/Stewardship: Vic reported that Cass County has put together a program involving 26 lakes. A survey and further education will be done to insure water quality. Lake resorts will be included in this endeavor.

Shoreline Naturalization: Jim reported that there has been good feed back with the tree and shrub program. A total of \$793.00 in orders this season. He has some left if anyone would like to buy them.

Newsletter: John informed us that the Spring newsletter is complete ready to mail. All property owners will get a fall newsletter.

Road Signs: Don reported that 14 new signs have been ordered.

Water Quality: Bob reported that we will continue our participation in the Lake Sampling Protocol and obtain monthly water samples from Child, Girl and Woman Lakes. REMBEL will provide water sample analysis. Necessary water sampling equipment will be obtained at the next ACCL meeting later this month and distributed to all volunteers. Monthly samples will be obtained from June through September 2015. Last year's sampling results - Child Lake, no significant changes in TSI (Trophic Status index) which monitors Chlorophyll-a, Total Phosphorus and Secchi disk results. Girl Lake, no significant changes - same as Child. Woman Lake, TSI levels are increasing indicating declining water quality. Total Chlorophyll-a and Total Phosphorus levels are increasing suggesting increased water quality levels. Secchi depth readings are decreasing. It is too soon to tell if this is a one-year aberration, but it is concerning when compared with previous years. Bob will contact John about putting together an information piece for the newsletter to attempt to raise individual consciousness regarding run-off into our lakes and streams stressing good stewardship. Bob handed out a graph showing Chlorophyll-a, Phosphorus and Secchi Disk Values for Woman Lake.

No other Board member reports.

M/SP to adjourn meeting. Next meeting will be June 16th, Woodrow Town Hall at 6:30 PM.

DNR spoke to board at 6:30.

Respectively submitted,

Joyce Humphreys, Secretary