

Child, Girl and Woman Lakes Area Association Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Don Kruse. Member present: Don Kruse, Jon Stevenson, Tom Jansen, Joyce Humphreys, Bob Hankey, Rich Hess, Linda Kane, Ann Stevenson, Sue Meyer, Jim Limburg, Bill Hornung and Dwayne Waldera.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MSP to accept the Minutes of the August 16, 2018 meeting.

MSP to accept the August 2018 Treasurers report.

Committee reports:

- a. Road Signs - Jon reported that 2 new with a total of 3 signs put up.
- b. Membership - Bob reported - membership is at 546. The 2019 membership letters will be ready to put in envelopes at the Oct. meeting. Computer program is being worked on.
- c. Conservation/Stewardship - Vic not present. The Buffer Improvement program information will be ready for the Fall Newsletter.
- d. Fisheries - Rich reported -The DNR is currently gill netting on Woman Lake and are seeing LOTS of walleyes, quite a few perch and some nice sized northern pike. There is a good supply of 14" walleye. Gill netting should conclude tomorrow. The electrofishing for young-of-the-year walleye will be done either this week or next.

The DNR is seeking input on proposed walleye regulation changes for Leech Lake. Open house at Walker Area Community Center on Monday, Sept. 24 from 6-8 pm. The proposed regulation would remove the 20-26" protected slot with a limit of 4 fish and replace it with a regulation similar to the statewide regulation but with a 4 fish possession limit and only one walleye over 20" allowed. The 4 fish possession limit has been in effect since 2005 to help protect spawners. The protective regulation goals have been exceeded, the walleye population is in excellent condition and increased harvest opportunities are proposed at this time. Those unable to attend can provide comments by calling the Walker Fisheries Office at 547-1683.

e. Aquatic Invasive Species: Rich Reported

Our permit to control the Eurasian watermilfoil will be renewed for 2019 after Jan. 1st. New infestations include Starry stonewort at Wolf Lake in Hubbard County, zebra mussels in 3 more metro area lakes, zebra mussels in East Silent Lake in Ottertail County and zebra mussels in Eagle Lake in Kandiyohi County.

f. Newsletter - Linda reported that the deadline for articles for the Fall Newsletter is October 16. The Newsletter will be out the First part of November.

g. Water Patrol - Tim Not present.

h. Water Quality - Ann reported that the last testing for the season will be Sun. Sept. 23.

i. At Large no reports.

Communications: A thank you note from Christine Herwig was passed around.

Old Business:

- a. 6 Signs for the Annual meeting have been purchased.
- b. Updates to the 2018 Lake Management Plan for Water Quality position and the Buffering Plant program have been made.

New Business:

1. Dwayne reported on the condition of the Motor used on the patrol boat. The Sheriff's Office will not cover the total cost of a new motor for the present boat. If the S.O. needs to replace anything it would be a smaller boat and motor. A partial cost for a different motor could possibly be budgeted for in 2020 by Cass Co. S.O. Don will get more information and report back to the board at the October Meeting.
2. MSP to set the date for the Appreciation dinner for the 1st Thursday of September.

MSP to adjourn the meeting. Final meeting will be October 10 at 6:30 PM. Note Day Change.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Humphreys, Secretary