

DRAFT: Child, Girl, and Woman Lakes Area Association- 45th Annual Meeting

August 14th, 2021 – Salem Lutheran Church

The meeting was called to order by President Jon Stevenson. Board Members present: Jon Stevenson, Nancy Schuelke, Terry Fay, Bob Hankey, Gordie Hess, Rich Hess, Janis Kelley, Sue Meyer, Ann Stevenson. There were also 55 members present with a total of 64 in attendance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Jon welcomed everyone to the meeting and provided an update on the board members changes over the last two years. **Minutes** of the August 4th, 2019 annual meeting handed out and a summary of those minutes was read. **MSP to accept. Treasurer's report** as handed out. **MSP to accept.**

Committee Reports: All reports were handed out to the members present. This included updates from Membership, Roadside clean-up, Shoreline Buffer and Restoration, Water Patrol, Road Signs, Water Quality, Fisheries, AIS, Newsletter, and Facebook (new name will be Communications and Technology). **Association members did have questions for Rich Hess on the fisheries survey data, walleye stocking, zebra mussels, and AIS. Highlights of that discussion:**

- Child Lake is becoming more of a northern than walleye lake
- Women Lake is becoming a strong small mouth bass lake
- Walleye stocking is necessary as the natural production of walleye is low
- Zebra mussels are a concern. Rich reminded everyone to carefully inspect docks and lifts for ZM. Let Rich know and he will contact DNR.
- No change is coming to size restrictions related to keeping Northerns.
- AIS: No Eurasian milfoil currently. Treated city docks. Funding received from DNR and county to help with this and testing veligers. Have two trained AIS detectors now and received \$150 funding for that. Question on starry stonewort and many have heard of.
- Reminder to decon your boat – Muskie House is good for this.
- Looking for more AIS volunteers – open to all.

New Business:

- a. **MSP to approve 2022 budget**
- b. **Election of Officers** – nominations were opened for the office of President and Secretary. Nominated Rich Hess for President and Gwen Lappin for Secretary. MSP to elect Rich Hess as President and MSP to elect Gwen Lappin as Secretary.
- c. **Recognition Dinner** is currently set for September 9th. Challenged with finding place to hold event so location and menu still to be determined.
- d. **Member Directory** - Given privacy and other concerns, members were asked to vote on their preference on having printed directories and/or online secured access directories. Members discussed pros and cons. After thorough discussion on current and future delivery options, a **motion** was made to **continue with printed directory as it has been done and to switch to online, password protected, access once that is available. Motion was seconded and passed.**
- e. **President Jon Stevenson asked if there were any other questions or items.** Member asked about the 2019 issue discussed related to raising membership dues. Dues were not raised at that time but board did approve adding an AIS donation line item to the membership renewal form. Member asked to bring the issue of raising dues up again. **After thorough member discussion of how this could help with AIS, and that dues haven't been raised in years, a motion on the floor was made to increase annual dues from \$25.00 to \$35.00 this year. Motion was seconded and passed.**
- f. Final question was asked related to a list of lake service providers that are AIS certified and this is on the DNR website.

MSP to adjourn meeting. Jon thanked members for coming. Next meeting is August 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Door prizes were drawn for. Guest Speaker: Meg Duhr, Research Outreach Specialist. Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center, University of Minnesota.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Schuelke, Secretary

