

CHILD, GIRL, WOMAN LAKES AREA ASSOCIATION MINUTES

JUNE 16, 2022 WOODROW TOWNSHIP HALL

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Jon Stevenson at 6:31 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jon Stevenson, Terry Fay, Gwendolyn Lappin, Linda Kane, Ann Stevenson, Gordie Hess, Nancy Schuelke, Bill Hornung and Gary Knox.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Rich Hess, Bob Hankey, Cindy Hankey, Kathy Scharmer, Sue Meyer and Janis Kelley.

AGENDAS ADDITIONS/CHANGE: None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made by Terry Fay, seconded by Gary Knox to approve and accept the Secretary's CGWLAA Board Meeting Minutes from May 19, 2022. Motion passed, ayes have it, motion carries to accept Board meeting Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion was made by Nancy Schuelke, seconded by Linda Kane to approve and accept the Treasurer's Report dated May 1, 2022 to May 31, 2022. Motion passed, ayes have it, motion carries to accept Treasurer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS

Doug Schultz will be giving a fisheries presentation for all members on June 25th at the Woodrow Township Hall at 10 AM. Coffee and Donuts will be provided. Nancy Schuelke will follow up with Rich Hess to make sure donuts are ordered, picked up and coffee is made. Nancy will also provide notes for Linda Kane to include in the next newsletter.

Fourth of July Parade, a decision was made not to throw candy or beads. Gordy Hess will be driving the truck with the boat and will have the banners displayed on the boat for the parade.

NEW BUSINESS

The board has tabled the discussion on definition of Committees and Task Teams until July 2022 meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

Zebra mussels have been confirmed in Thunder Lake in 2022. They were confirmed in Woman Lake in 2021. The CGWLAA will also continue to treat the Eurasian watermilfoil in the area of the Longville City docks. This has controlled the spread over the last 4 years. Please make sure you get your watercraft decontaminated if it is used in an infested body of water. Let's make sure we don't spread invasive species.

COMMUNICATIONS/TECHNOLOGY No report given – Kathy Scharmer was absent

FISHERIES

The walleye egg take on the Boy River took place May 2 to 6, 2022. A total of 377 quarts of eggs were collected. These will be hatched and reared by the Mn DNR and then stocked back in our chain of lakes.

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 524 paid members. We have sent out a reminder to the 50 unpaid members.

NEWSLETTER

The Spring newsletter was sent out. Linda Kane received the updated list of volunteers and will be reviewing /making contact to determine areas of interest. Linda will be out of town for the special meeting in June. Linda has requested someone to get a copy of the presentation or take notes and summarize for the newsletter.

ROAD SIGNS

Jon Stevenson reports, two new members road signs have been ordered and need to be installed.

WATER QUALITY

Ann Stevenson reports, we continue doing our water sampling five times a season. We have four people that have volunteered to do sampling at four locations. One of the volunteers has just retired. We need a new volunteer for Girl Lake. Please let Ann Stevenson know if someone you know might be interested. Sunday, June 26 is our next sampling day with the kits taken to RMB on Longville, June 27, Monday. This year RMB will be checking our water samples for chloride, salt water levels. Checking for Chloride will be done only once per season. The fee is \$12.00. Steve Henry, our RMB representative thinks we will have very low number but checking to be sure is a good thing.

WATER PATROL

Gordy Hess reports water patrol activities resumed on the first weekend of the month, after Cass County Sheriff deputies completed the initial shakedown and break in of the newly installed replacement outboard motor. The two non-functional auto-inflating PFDS on the boat patrol were rearmed with new inflation components and restored to operational readiness. Review of the membership rolls for water patrol volunteers identified four new names that had not previously been included in water patrol notices or activities. Two members responded that they were not available this year and to contact them for next year. One member responded positively and Gordy is currently trying to work in a training session for him. One member failed to respond and Gordy has been unable to contact him by phone. Patrol volunteers assisted Jon Stevenson with installation and maintenance of buoys and markers on two occasions. Water patrol does still need volunteers for July.

DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

Sue Meyer has one issue to report. Sue reports that a Girl Lake Buoy needs to be repositioned. The Girl Lake buoy down the shoreline from Patrick's needs to come by Sheppard's and Durhman's property. The buoy is off by approximately 30 yards. The stumps have been marked with a white and pink fishing marker. Jon Stevenson will check this out.

TASK TEAM REPORT

SHORELINE BUFFER AND RESTORATION PROGRAM

Bill Pilacinski

2022 Spring Tree and Shrub Distribution

As in past years, the 2022 tree and shrub distribution program offered five free plants to association members. Species offered this year were Black Chokeberry, False Indigo, Highbush Cranberry, Mountain Ash, Red Osier Dogwood and Staghorn Sumac. All were purchased from the Crow Wing County Soil and Conservation District. The initial program announcement was made in the Fall 2021 newsletter. Orders were requested by early January 2022, with pickup at the Woodrow Township Hall on the Saturday of the 14th and 21st of May, 2022 from 9 am until Noon.

Perhaps because of unseasonably cold weather, a number of orders were not picked up on the two announced pickup dates. Additionally, there are always a few extra plants because orders are in bundles of 25 plants: thus, it was decided to have an additional pickup on Saturday, May 28th from 10 am until noon. An email was sent to all members offering these extra plants, 5 free to any member who had not, already received theirs, first come, first served. This was very successful and all extra plants were gone within 10 minutes.

Fifty-nine members in total took part in this year's program, up a bit from last year's fifty-seven. In addition, to the trees and shrubs, copies of the Cass County Shoreland Homeowner's Guide to Lake Stewardship were offered, along with information on Longville's Garden Club, the Petal Pushers. I also had distributed 20 or so milkweed seedlings, from seeds I had collected last fall along highway 5. Milkweed species are the sole host plant for monarch butterfly caterpillars and northern Minnesota is a prime breeding area for the last generation of monarchs that migrate to Mexico in the Fall.

Our next Board Meeting will be on July 21, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Woodrow Township Hall.

Meeting Adjournment: Gary Knox made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bill Hornung. Motion unanimously approved, none opposed. Motion carried. Meeting adjournment at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gwendolyn Lappin, Secretary

End of May Financials

CGWLAA - 5/31/2022

Budget Line	Budget	Expense YTD	Reimburs.	Remaining Budget Balance
Newsletter	\$ 2,500.00			\$ 2,500.00
Water Patrol	\$ 1,400.00			\$ 1,400.00
Road Signs	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 70.87		\$ 1,029.13
Water Quality	\$ 1,500.00			\$ 1,500.00
Annual Meeting	\$ 300.00			\$ 300.00
Public Relations & Membership	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,003.22		\$ 246.78
Admin. & Travel	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 130.00		\$ 1,145.00
Communication Technology	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00
Shoreline Buffer Restoration	\$ 700.00	\$ 343.50		\$ 356.50
Contingency Fund	\$ 1,100.00			\$ 1,100.00
Acquatic Invasive Species	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 879.95		\$ 2,120.05
Navigational Safety		\$ 600.00		\$ (600.00)
Total	\$ 15,125.00	\$ 3,027.54	\$ -	\$ 12,097.46

Current month balance	Endowment Account			Total Assets
\$ 46,367.71	\$ 25,141.56			\$ 71,509.27