

CGWLAA Board Meeting – 8-18-2022

Present: Rich Hess, Chuck Miotke, Terry Faye, Jan Kell3y, Gary Knox, Gordie Hess, Larry Anderson, Linda Kane, Kathleen Scharmer, Jon Stevenson, Nancy Schuelke

Absent: Bob Hankey, Cindy Hankey, Bill Hornung, Gwendolyn Lappin

Nancy Schuelke taking meeting minutes for Gwen.

Agenda:

1. Rich called the meeting to order
2. Conducted Pledge of Allegiance
3. Board welcomed Chuck Miotke, newly elected Vice President, and Larry Anderson, newly elected Girl Lake Director at Large
4. No additions to the agenda
5. Secretary's Report - July Secretary's report was send to board in DRAFT form; edits will be finalized and board will approve final minutes at September 15th board meeting
6. Treasurer's Report - M/S/P – Gary Knox(M)/Chuck Miotke (S) - Accept treasurer's report
7. Old Business: Tabled both member directory and board email communications until Cindy Hankey can join and board can further discuss go forward plan.
8. New Business:
 - a. Kathleen Scharmer is working on a **Loon Friendly Lake Management plan** which ultimately will be included in our overall Lake Management plan. We will be adding this as we are certified as a Loon friendly lake; a DNR program. Kathleen is our loon representative and will send board a DRAFT of the Loon Friendly Lake Management plan and then we will review and discuss further in the spring.
 - b. **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**, set for Sept. 6th at Patrick's in Longville, has been communicated via email, Facebook, and on our CGWLAA website. Social time starts at 5:30 and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Rich needs to have RSVPs finalized by September 3rd.
 - c. **Annual Meeting debrief**: Approximately 45 members attended; 50 total with officers. Dan Berg, inspector for Women and Girl, was guest speaker. Elections held, Girl Lake portrait was auctioned off for \$200, and no major topics surfaced. Gwen will be completing the annual meeting minutes for review at our September 15th board meeting.

After the meeting there were some wake board questions and Rich stated that we will need to wait another year for the study as it is reviewed by DNR and legislature. The other issue that came up related to the buoys at the Boy River channel to Child Lake. Boaters continue to hit the rocks even with two buoys there. Board discussed several options. A motion was made by Gary Knox, seconded by Jan Kelley, to send a letter to the DNR requesting removal of rocks blocking access to Boy River/Child Lake. That led to further discussion on the pros and cons of a board request of this nature. Cost, time, lake implications of requesting rocks

removed, were discussed as well as other options were discussed as well such as adding another buoy, adding a row of buoys, boat bumpers, putting Keep Out signage up, etc..

After discussion, board voted on the motion to send a letter to DNR request removal of rocks blocking access to Boy River. Two ayes for the motion, eight nays. Motion not passed.

Next step: Rich will go and review the area as part of his boat patrol on August 20th, and then Rich and Jon Stevenson will come up with a recommendation to the board. Rich also noted that any board member, on their own, can send request to DNR.

- d. **M/S/P** – Jan Kelley(M), Kathleen Scharmer (S) – Purchase a \$100 Visa gift card for Sue Meyer as a token of appreciation for her many years serving as the Girl Lake Director at Large. Terry Fay will get the visa gift card.

9. Committee Reports

- **Newsletter – Linda Kane** – Linda is working on the articles for the CGWLAA fall newsletter. Topics so far include loons, boat patrol, AIS updates, possibly buoy education, etc.. Linda asked board to send her any ideas for articles.
- **AIS – Rich Hess** – MN DNR has confirmed the invasive algae starry stonewort in Bowen Lake near Backus in Cass County. On August 20th, the Cass County SWCD AIS program is hosting a site for the statewide search for starry stonewort. This will be at the Longville City Docks at 8:30 a.m. This is a great way to learn more about aquatic plant identification and have some fun in the process; no experience necessary. To learn more and to register please go to: <https://maisrc.umn.edu/starrytrek>.
- **Communications/Technology – Kathleen Scharmer** – reminded board if they have articles they would like posted on Facebook to please send them to her. As example, the article submitted by Gwen was well received. She also reminded us to make sure and like posts when reviewing on Facebook and share.
- **Fisheries – Rich Hess** – no new updates. Larry Anderson asked about the most recent bass tournament and noted that a few fish were spotted dumped near Patrick's in Longville. Board discussed the pros and cons of fishing tournaments and when they are held. **As next step Rich will follow up with the Chamber to get their input on tournament planning** and, based on that discussion, Gary Knox and Rich Hess will write a letter to DNR requesting to not allow the early June Bass Tournament during spawning season.
- **M/S/P – Gary Knox (M), Jon Stevenson (S). Ayes carry. Board sends a letter to the DNR to not allow the early June Bass Tournament.**
- **Water Quality – Ann Stevenson** – Next water quality sampling scheduled for August 21st. Kits to be delivered to RMB at Rusty's in Longville Monday morning, August 22nd. Final sampling is September 25th with kit delivery Monday, September 26th.
- **Road Signs – Jon Stevenson** – Removed three signs; members have moved. Removed 18 non-member signs. During update, board discussed pros and cons of reusing signs vs. ordering new ones for new members. Cost for new vs. using existing signs is minimal and board confirmed that Jon Stevenson, as committee chair of road signs, has the authority to order new signs vs. re-use as long as within his road sign budget.
- **Membership – Bob and Cindy Hankey** will be in Longville area until the end of October. Cindy and Bob will be happy to sit down and discuss. During board discussion on next steps,

Chuck stated he would take on the membership chair role and we will still need to determine a co-chair. If interested, let Chuck know. As next step, Kathleen Scharmer will contact Scott Kruse to get Chuck a password so he can start to become familiar with Simple Solution database. Kathleen will walk through this with Chuck.

- **Water Patrol – Gordie Hess** -Few bumps in the road the past month. Lift cable on the boat lift pulled loose from the drum. Mike French, Jon Stevenson, and Dennis Sawyers (All Seasons Resort) knew how to get it back in order and reattach the cable and the lift was back in operation the next day. Travis from Wheeler Marine worked on the motor to identify the cause of the vibration. Initially the diagnosis was a bad coil or injector on cylinder #2. However, that was not the problem. The final solution was to replace the propeller, bingo, no more vibration. Despite problems and delays a full schedule of patrols was run and good time was had by all. The question has come up on towing boater in need of assistance. This was discussed at board meeting, and it was confirmed that towing a stranded boater is covered by our insurance and it is up to the water patrol to decide where to tow the stranded boaters; typically the nearest location would be the choice.

10. Next Meeting: September 15th, 2022. Woodrow Township Hall – 6:30 pm

11. M/S/P – Gary Knox (M), Jan Kelley (S) – Motion to adjourn the meeting. Ayes carry.

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Budget Line	Budget	Expense YTD	Reimburs.	Remaining Budget Balance
Newsletter	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 502.77		\$ 1,997.23
Water Patrol	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 76.19		\$ 1,323.81
Road Signs	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 209.83		\$ 890.17
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	\$ 1,324.50		\$ (49.50)
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	\$ 879.55		\$ 2,120.45
Navigational Safety		\$ 752.01		\$ (752.01)
Total	\$ 15,125.00	\$ 5,091.57	\$ -	\$ 10,033.43

Current month balance	Endowment Account			Total Assets
\$ 46,098.06	\$ 25,212.87			\$ 71,310.93