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Lake Association Board Meeting May 10, 2003 9am
Members present-John Schulte, host, Dick Rudolph, Treasurer, Brian Rivard, Merle Paulson and Diane Martin, Secretary.

Corrections made to the September 7, 2002 Lake Association Meeting minutes as were mailed to the members by Diane.

John and Dick-the work is being done to the dam within the projected cost. Brian and Merle will check the site after today's meeting.

Dick passed out the Financial Report 9-6-02 to 5-7-03. Discussion.

Merle- 1. States talked with Jeff Timmons, Polk County and Brad Johnson, chair of Alden Township Board, regarding various concerns about the boat landing on Church Pine. States counted 30 some cars parked near this site at one time last summer. Safety and health concerns need evaluating.

Was told this has become a 'Boat Landing by Use' because the official landing is on the west side of the lake, that is not being used as such due to its location.

Suggests volunteers to form a committee from the membership to present the concerns to the Township board this summer. John asked Merle to head this up. Agreed.

Some of the concerns/suggestions to be discussed-

Parking on only one side of the road

Garbage-esp. that containing bodily waste

Toilet facilities

Possibility of a designated swimming area

Suggested to Merle that he contact the Board to get on the agenda for a specific meeting since that is recalled to be the difficulty with past committees regarding this same concern.

2. Contacted Carol Flagelin at Polk Co. Land and Water Resource, #715-485-8642 who is available to talk with our May Association meeting about Eurasian milfoil and its dangers. Present in Bass Lake. Suggests members observe this. States has been told it takes 3 fulltime cutters on Forest Lake to try and help with that lake's problem.

Board members agreed. Merle will contact Carol and ask her for a 10am speaking time.

3. the Hwy K bridge might be delayed another year. George Palo and Jeff Timmons have stated there might be a problem with the approach level starting by the boat landing. Has to be a 1:10 ratio. Merle states Stu Utgard will donate moneys for this bridge raising.

John -per George Palo - they are looking at the design and they might start by Labor Day. States Cty Road K was constructed for 600 vehicles/day and now there are 1200/day.

John- dockominium concerns - discussed whether Mort's concerns could be under a commercial heading with the remaining membership being residential; John will obtain clarification. Membership will discuss further at the meeting. Concerns about the undeveloped areas on Church Pine and how that might be affected in the future. Diane will try to obtain names regarding ownership of these 2 specific properties so any specific information to preserve this land can be shared with these people if interested.

Dick-Dr. Madsen, Mankato State University, will not be able to continue with the weed study due to continuing back problems. Meg Rattei, Barr Engineering, said changes will have to be made since the State of WS has now said that lime slurry has now been labeled a herbicide so can't be used to treat at this time. Buzz Sorg with the DNR for this lake area wants to try full lake treatment next year. Bill James, Army Corps of Engineering in Menominee is contact person for this situation also. He is growing plants in limewater. It is suggested that lime slurry/alum(changes the pH of the water) treatment be done the first year with cost of \$18-20, 000.00. This can be done by Telemark Corp. in Aitkins. State Senator and Rep. who should be contacted and who do not seem to be for environmental concerns are-Sheila Harstorf and Mark Pettis.

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WS states statute s.23.24 relates to aquatic plants. We will recommend no cutting. Question raised by Merle regarding the amount of moneys Association has paid out for this study and so far not any treatment. Dick will review the numbers and inform Merle. States that 2/01 \$17, 000.00 was the last amount received on the study. States that most of costs have been paid for by DNR grants. We can apply until 8-1-03 for more grant monies to help with this next phase. Dick handed out Lime Slurry study info from Meg.

John-1. Ron Skone, member, has suggested a newsletter for the organization since there is so much information. Will discuss with Ron to produce this with information from today's meeting included.

2. Water Patrol-suggest by Merle to increase salary up to \$25.00/hour for maybe 4 hours a weekend. Suggests volunteers man the Water Patrol boat during other times as a visible reminder to lake users. John will discuss with the county sheriff.

Dick- reviewed poster received from the DNR regarding water safety. Discussed applying this to large 4x8 sign format from Brian at boat landings. John will discuss application of this with company. Merle wonders if a larger stop sign type warning regarding the milfoil could be changed or added to the sign at the boat landing. Discussed adding this to this larger sign.

Merle- talked with Heath Beneke who is with the DNR fishing dept. for this area regarding stocking walleye into local lakes. Was told there is nothing in the budget for this year. Was told there is 10% stocking survival rate but a better rate if larger stock of 5"-7" is used. Cost-\$1.50 apiece - suggests 10/acre. Discussed possibility of this with our budget or membership contributions.

Merle questions legality of having specific hours/times for water skiing and use of personal watercraft. Discussed that the Board has looked into this previously with no legal authority found. Merle suggests a membership survey be done to the times for such lake use, other concerns we as a group might think is important to survey. Suggests the survey could be done at the September meeting. Ways to communicate these lake courtesy behaviors were discussed. Nothing specific was decided.

Dick and Merle will not be available for May meeting. Dick has substitutes to present his information.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Martin, Secretary

addition - Association mtg. -

John was asked to review importance of spotting purple loosestrife + treating it.

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the
newsletter?