

Pleasant Lake Association
Membership Meeting
Minutes - August 22, 2015

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Officers Present: Chair Sedey, Vice Chair Hogberg, Secretary Peterson, Directors: Mader, S Miller, A Miller, Honsey

Not Present: Treasurer Harkman, Director Boie

Lake Maps distributed and corrections made.

Introduction of lake board officers and directors.

Minutes: See website www.pliamn.com and www.facebook.com/pleasantlake

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Harkman furnished current financial standing. Current balance \$6,500. Water quality funds received from Annandale \$1,000, Wright Co. \$1,000 Triathlon Club \$1,000. Spreadsheet furnished to all in attendance to show income and expenses to date.

Membership: Membership chairperson Julie Sedey furnished current membership list. We are at 89 members out of a possible 125. Committee has contacted homeowners up to three times to encourage membership. Suggestions are welcome.

Water Quality Fund: Director Honsey explained to the group why a fund may be necessary in the future. Zebra Mussels, Eurasian Milfoil & other aquatic invasive species are currently in area lakes and treatment can be very expensive. Honsey shared fund balances of area lakes for comparisons. We currently treat 10 acres and spend \$5,500 on curly leaf pondweed and millfoil. Ideas for raising funds are being considered and any suggestions membership might have are welcome. Having been granted the 501c3 status, tax credit donation, by the state we hope to see continued giving and possible legacy fund grants in the future.

Introduction of all in attendance: Everyone shared with group who they were and where they lived.

Lake Survey: We are currently having our lake surveyed for aquatic vegetation. This is one of the necessary steps which must be taken in order to apply for grants. We expect to receive \$5,000 from Wright County Water and Soil to help with the cost of the survey and weed treatment. The Clearwater Watershed Dist. has helped other lakes financially by approving a special tax on homeowners to assist in local costs. We hope to avoid this kind of fund raising.

Zebra Mussels: Currently we have 3 sites monitoring for these mussels. It was suggested that all homeowners inspect their docks when removing them this Fall. If anything looks strange please contact the Association or the DNR.

Water Quality Measurement: Samples are taken monthly by Chair Sedey . Phosphorus, chlorophyll, insecticides are just a few of the agents tested for.

Landing inspections: Jerry Geske, Association member and trained inspector, shared with the group just how the inspection are conducted. Pleasant Lake, along with the other county lakes, share 31 inspectors along with the DNR officers. Jerry explained the procedure for inspecting boats and trailers. Boats from lakes already infected by milfoil and zebra mussels get extra attention before they are allowed in the lakes. Boaters are educated on just what to be looking for and where to be looking for any hitchhikers. The landing inspections program is funded through August. Any inspections after that will be the financial responsibility of each lake association. There are three bass fishing clubs currently using our lake Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday evening.

No Wake: The 300 foot no wake regulation is currently in effect due to the level of the dam on Grass Lake. Clearwater Watershed Dist oversees the culvert which allows water from Pleasant Lake to drain into Clearwater Lake. The culvert is closed and the sheriffs department will be posting NO WAKE regulation at each landing. Violations should be reported to the sheriff's office in Wright County. They have in the past and will continue to dispatch deputies to enforce this regulation.

Boat Parade: Very successful again this past year with 9 entries. Parade organizers Penny and Dave Hogberg have passed the torch to Matt and Tina Honsey. Thanks to the Hogbergs for many years of enjoyment. The parade has become a tradition for the entire community.

Picnic: Organizers Jen and Ed Mader have again taken on our social event of the season. The time of day & day of week have changed this year and it looks like it will be very successful. Any ideas you might have for future picnic's would be greatly appreciated by the Maders.

Loon nests: Questions relating to the two deteriorated loon floats. Vice Chair Hogberg informed the group that a new nest will be ready to be placed next Spring as soon as the ice goes out. Baby loons have not been seen this summer by those in attendance.,

Newsletter: Next addition will be coming out this Fall. Any pictures, letters, or articles are welcome and should be forwarded to Director Amy Miller or Gloria Warner.

Board Members: The Board is always looking for interested members. New faces & ideas will insure continued lake diligence. Kevin Bergstrom volunteered to serve and will be contacted as to when and where the next board meeting will be held.

Annandale Embroidery: A reminder that any purchase relating to Pleasant Lake merchandise will earn our association 10% of purchase price. Please mention this when making purchase.