

NAMAKAGON LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 by President Linda Fischer

Board Members Present: Denise Dupras, Steven Riley, Julia Campbell, Steve Musser

NLA Member Attendees: 2

Minutes of June 25, 2011 Meeting

Reviewed by Board and membership in attendance. Discussion ensued regarding the information about FOTH, which at the time of the meeting was believed to be accurate, subsequently this was found not to be the case. The minutes were not altered. A motion to approve was made by Steve Riley and seconded by Steve Musser. The minutes were approved.

Treasurers Report:

Steve Musser submitted the treasurers report. Checking balance was \$10,033.27 and COD \$11,938.49 for a balance of \$21,971.76. There are no outstanding bills. We anticipate a final payment from WDNR in the next two weeks now that the final documentation has been submitted. A motion to approve was made by Denise Dupras and seconded by Steve Riley. The report was approved.

Grant Update:

Steve Riley discussed the plan to submit a Lake Planning Grant to the WDNR. This will be submitted with the Sigurd Olson Institute of Northland College. Mr. Mike Gardner has submitted a draft plan which was reviewed at the meeting. As part of this process Mr. Riley also discussed the tentative budget and what the NLA will request from the towns in support of the grants and on-going efforts to prevent AIS invasion of our lakes. Denise Dupras made a motion *"To authorize Mr. Steve Riley to work with Northland College and as our NLA representative, contact the Towns to request needed funds to support efforts to monitor and protect our lake."* This was seconded by Steve Musser and approved by the Board.

NLA Website:

Denise Dupras and Linda Fischer have been in contact with Chris Frasch of CF Web Services LLC to determine options for updating our website. There was consensus that that this needs to be done. He has estimated that it will cost about \$1000 to develop the site and that maintenance costs are \$50/hr. He will put in a content management system, that will allow updating by members. Denise has volunteered to do some of the updating. Steve Musser indicated that the cost estimate was very reasonable. Steve Riley made a motion *"To authorize Denise Dupras to move forward with the plan to get an updated website."* This was seconded by Julia and approved by the Board.

Board Member Proposal:

Denise Dupras discussed that we are one short on the Board. Mr. Greg Dehring was not eligible to run at the time of the annual meeting, but is very interested in serving on the NLA Board. She made a motion *“That Greg Dehring be appointed to the NLA Board for a 1 year term.”* This was seconded by Steve Riley and approved. He will be eligible to run for election for the additional 2 years of a three year term at the 2012 meeting.

New Business:

- Copies of the AIS Review – Bayfield County were available.
- Information from Jim Krueger was shared with the Board regarding Buoys, Beaver and Castle Creek. Mr. Krueger indicated he and the town will continue to repair the buoys and take them out in the Fall. He requests some help from the NLA for putting the buoys in and taking out. Issues related to the movement of the rock buoys near Champagne Island were raised and will be passed on to Mr. Krueger.
- Denise Dupras noted that the Muskies Inc. group contributed \$200 towards the landing monitors during the October tournament.
- Meeting Dates – The next meeting will be April 21, 2012 and the May 5 meeting will be moved to May 19, 2012.

Old Business:

- The FOTH bill has been paid in full now and we expect payment from the WDNR for the 2 grants that have been completed.
- Garden Lake ILID was not functional last year. Power will be supplied by Mr. Jim Biggot from his home since the bar is not open. Julia Campbell has arranged for the DSL to be seasonally downgraded and costing only \$10 a month now. She will contact Cheqtel in the spring and have it turned on.
- ILID Video Review – members have been reviewing the Lakewoods tapes. Most of the tapes do not contain boats as the camera is being triggered by motion. Eric Lindberg will be contacted to adjust the cameras next year. We hope to have students monitor the tapes next year.
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – 32 members were in attendance. We discussed moving the date to earlier in the year so that more seasonal volunteers could attend. There were a number of other activities that day which we suspect limited attendance. We also discussed ways to decrease the cost to the NLA, by having Board members plan and make the meal.
- Newsletter – a newsletter will be sent out before the end of the year.
- Membership – an invoice to members will be sent out early in 2012. Dues cover a calendar year and payment by June 1st is required to be eligible to vote.

Correspondance:

The new website will ensure that the board@nlaonline.org is functional and will route mail to the secretary.

A motion to adjourn was made by Denise Dupras at 9:55 and seconded by Steve Riley. The meeting was adjourned.