

# CULLEN LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting  
9:00 a.m., June 13, 2015, Lutheran Church of the Cross

Present: Ann Beaver, Paul Beilfuss, Charlie Boudrye, Jim Burrell, Dan Hurley, Rich Johnson, Kathy Kriewald, John MacGibbon, Jack McNamara, Dan Meixner, Denny Opsahl, Carol Lindahl

Absent: Jim Kostreba

1. **Ann Beaver, president, called the meeting to order.**
2. **Approval of minutes:** A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the May 9 meeting.
3. **Treasurer's report:** Charlie Boudrye distributed copies of the report, noting the current balance of over \$116,000. Clarke has not yet been paid for this year's treatment of curly-leaf pondweed. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Treasurer's report.
4. **Review of agenda:** Agenda was adopted as presented.
5. **Committee reports:**
  - a. **Administration**
    - 1) General –
      - a. Annual Meeting: Carol Lindahl asked for additional ideas for displays – it was suggested to have an update on Highway 371 construction. This year's meeting will be held at the Lutheran Church of the Cross and Carol will confirm details with the office there.
    - 2) Budget and Finances –
      - a. Audit status -- Paul Beilfuss and Charlie reported that the audits for both 2013 and 2014 have been completed. No changes in procedures are needed.
  - b. **Education** – Ann asked for articles for the summer newsletter. Suggestions were an article on 371 progress; the DNR treatment grants and information on needing more funds to treat CLP in the future. All of these and information on the recent member survey and summary compiled by Dan Meixner will be added to the website. Ann passed around a brochure from the Pelican Lake Association on invasive species as a possible mailing to the membership. John MacGibbon will investigate costs and possible use at the resorts and at the Chamber of Commerce.
  - c. **Environmental Issues**
    - 1) Highway pickup – Went well with fewer people but less trash to pick up.
    - 2) Invasive Species –
      - a. CLP treatment – Clarke completed the post-treatment survey on May 19 and found dead or dying CLP in all the treatment areas. Still have some “vibrant” CLP outside of the treatment sections. Members indicated that they prefer continuing voluntary donations and not a formal fund-raising campaign to raise funds for treatment in future years. Should also be on agenda at Annual Meeting.
      - b. Lake access monitoring– Crow Wing county has funds for public access monitoring for AIS. Dan Hurley noted that inspectors were at the Lower Cullen public access this week and did a thorough job of inspection.

- 3) Water Quality – Ann reported that all lakes are within their normal ranges, except for chlorophyll a in Lower Cullen. Testing continues this weekend.
- d. **Land Development** – Several years ago, CLA requested and received 29 conditions on development of the Preserve Golf Course, which is located in our watershed area. Tom Beaver has chaired the group that monitors actions against those conditions and is looking for someone to take his place. Let Ann know if you are interested.

The Pequot Lakes advisory board to monitor Wilderness Resort Villas is continuing to evaluate requests for tree removal on the site now that trees have leafed out. The group is looking at all vegetation and any changes.

- e. **Membership** –Charlie reported that compliance with dues is at 89 per cent so far this year.

f. **Lake Management Planning** – Ann is updating the current LMP and is asking all committee chairs for comment. The draft document will be brought to the Board in July for approval.

## 6. Special Committee reports

- a. **Fish Management** – Fish surveys are being done in July on all three lakes and observers can join the DNR during this task. They will also analyze vegetation on the lakes. Rich Johnson suggested that photos be taken for use in the newsletter and on website.

## 7. Old business – none.

## 8. New business –

**DNR mail lists** – The DNR sends out lots of notices and emails on current topics and members are encouraged to subscribe to ones of personal interest. Dan will review for possible website use.

**Misc.** – Members are encouraged to think of possible new Board members for election at the Annual Meeting.

## 9. Adjournment – A motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting.

**Next meeting: 9 a.m., Saturday, July 11, 2015 at the Lutheran Church of the Cross.**

Submitted by Carol Lindahl, CLA secretary.