

Lake Vermont Lake Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
June 2, 2018

LVLA Board members present: President; Shirley Tschaekofske, Vice President; Charles Bitzen, Treasurer; Kim Bredeson, Secretary; Gail Pelzer, Director; Kathy Anderson, Director; Jason Drum. Not present today- Director; Jim Kontz.

Shirley Tschaekofske called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Welcome**

- Board members introduce themselves
- All attendees introduce themselves

**Announcements**

- Handouts: 2017-2018 financial report
- Meeting Protocol- one vote for each member family
- Thanks to Maureen & Paul Diedrich for hosting our meeting and to the businesses/individuals who donated for door prizes.

**Secretary's Minutes**

- Minutes from 2017 annual meeting were read by secretary. Motion to accept made by Judy Jaskowiak, seconded by Ricardo Abbott, motion carried.

**Treasurers report & membership**

- Reviewed 2017-2018 report
  - Beginning balance: On 6/30/17 = \$5,131.30
  - Checks written over the year: \$1,605.32
  - Deposits made totaling: \$ 1,950.00 (\$600. from dues, 1350.00 from donations)
  - Balance as of 5/30/18 = \$5475.98
  - Clean up fund- \$2670.00
  - Report was approved
- Motion to accept report made by Paul Diedrich, seconded by Sharon Wildman, motion carried.

**Committee Reports**

- **Water Clarity**- Mike Kellen reported that the first sampling done in May the secci disk reading was 15 feet. RMB labs in Detroit Lakes posts the results 7 – 10 days after samples are collected on their website. The samples are taken monthly, May – Sept. There is a link to the results in the Association's website.
- **Lake Levels** – Judy Jaskowiak reported that the water level is slightly down (0.04 inches) from last fall. The water level is checked weekly. She reported that the DNR set the measuring post in on May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **Website update**- Bill Brunson made a motion to keep the website, seconded by Dan Wittmer, motion carried. Tracy Amsden has graciously agreed to take care of the website again this year.
- **Township Updates**- Charles Bitzen and Ron Tschaekofske talked to township about replacing

culverts on E. Lk Vermont road. Water is not properly draining; which leads to high water levels and no wake zones being enforced. Township may be replacing culvert.

- **Invasive Species-AIS & Veliger** samples are taken from lake in mid June and mid July. These samples (done by Douglas Cty) help check on at a microscopic level before they become Zebra mussels. None were detected. So far our lake is clean. Paul Diedrich also dropped some traps and no Zebra mussels were found. There is a decontamination station for boats by Lake Le'Homme Dieu in Alexandria. Please check your boats and tell you company to do the same. We will be having boats inspected throughout summer as we have in the past.

### **Old Business**

- It was brought to the townships attention to keep an eye on or check on the gravel pit on the NW corner of the lake to make sure they are following guidelines.

### **Bills presented for payment**

\$174.00 for loon nest. Sharon Wildman made a motion to reimburse Ron Tschaekofske for loon nest materials from our general fund, it was seconded by Eric Athman. Dan Wittmer also donated \$50. After the original motion was made, discussion was that Ron Tschaekofske would offer to donate cost and accept a lower reimbursement. Another discussion was that members could make a free will offering. The motion carried to reimburse the cost of \$174 Also Receipts were turned in at the executive board mtg. For postage and postcards.

### **Election of Officers**

- Nominations for 2 positions, each for a 3 year term.
- Donna Athman nominated and made the 1<sup>st</sup> motion for Eric Athman , Mary Jo Schepers 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.
- Nita nominated and made the 1<sup>st</sup> motion for Linda Allebach, Donna Athman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.
- Ron made a motion of Unanimous ballot, Andy Anderson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion carried.

### **New business-**

- **Walleye fingerlings-** 100 lbs. Of fingerlings were placed in the lake fall of 2017. 6-8 " in size. Minimum cost is \$1,000. After discussion of the pros and cons of stocking walleyes in our lake by members, the motion carried. Bill Brunson made the 1<sup>st</sup> motion to do the Walleye stocking 1 more time in the fall of 2018 (since there was extra money for it), it was seconded by Mike Kopitzke. We will do one more restocking in the fall and decide if we will continue with it after that. DNR does fish count every 5 years.
- **Loon Nests** – Ron T., Kim B. and Amsdens helped build one loon nest, Bill Brunson built the other one with supplies he had. Its a 5 x 5 PVC frame with mesh. One was placed in the SW corner of the North Lake and one in the SW corner of the South Lake. The cost to build one was \$174. The nests will need to be taken in and out before and after nesting season. Looking for volunteers! Loon nest do require a permit from the sheriffs dept. It's good for 3 years at no cost.
- **Block Party-**will be help at Bill and Bonnie Brunsons home on Sat. August 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00p.m. Gail Pelzer will help plan with Brunsons. Potluck.
- **4<sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade-** It was decided that another boat parade was in order. July 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:pm. Meet around public access area with your decorated vessels and we will cruise around the lake.

- Kim B. talked about a study we could be a part of from the U of M on invasive species. There was no decision to participate.

**Guest Speaker-** Dan Hustad from Lake Region Energy Services spoke at our meeting about natural gas potentially coming to residents of Lake Vermont. Would need interest of at least 30- 40 residents. Projected to possibly come our way in 2019 if there is interest.

**Door Prizes** – door prize drawing held and prizes given out. Business and individuals donating this year were: LJ's in Miltona, R& K's, Miltona greenhouse, lakes gas, blackridge bank, Dicks standard, Uptown hair, Jim & Judy s, Miltona Gas mart, Fortwengler, Trumm drug, Eldens, Perkins and Miltona Meat Mrkt.

### **Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn made by Ricardo Abbott, seconded by Rodney Allebach and approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Recorded by Gail Pelzer , Secretary

**Board meeting after general meeting.**