

# CULLEN LAKES ASSOCIATION

## Board of Directors Meeting

9:00 a.m., September 13, 2014, Lutheran Church of the Cross

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

Absent: Jim Burrell, Jim Kostreba, Jack McNamara

- 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 July 26 and August 9 meetings.
- 3. Treasurer's report:** Charlie Boudrye distributed copies of the report, noting that the financial audit is still pending. He reminded the Board that we have a large inventory CLA glasses and mugs, which had to be purchased in bulk. It was suggested that all newsletters highlight the CLA merchandise that is for sale. Charlie also noted the cost for treatment of CLP this spring caused a loss of about \$16,000 of revenue vs. expenses for the year. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Treasurer's report.
- 4. Approval of agenda:** Agenda was adopted with addition of a thank you letter under new business and loon signage, buoy update and CLP treatment "burn rate" under old business.
- 5. Committee reports:**
  - a. Administration**
    - 1) General –
      - a) Annual Meeting: Carol reviewed the program and attendees. Due to the confusion at the Legion this year, she recommended that we move the meeting to the Lutheran Church and make our own coffee and bring pastries. She will arrange with the church. Ideas were suggested for next year's program: education session on new rules for pulling boat trailers on public roads; a representative from Clarke to discuss current CLP treatments.
      - b) Other: Procedures manual is complete except for a few treasurer's procedures. Expect completion by end of year and then make all available to Board members.
    - 2) Budget and Finances – Paul Beilfuss will organize a group to put together a plan for getting more income to balance the expense of CLP treatments. Charlie and John MacGibbon volunteered to help. Ideas expressed during the discussion included requesting a regular planned donation in addition to dues, raising dues, creating membership levels with appropriate recognition or membership levels of CLP treatment support. Board also discussed addressing the issue in the membership survey next year to ascertain what the membership might be willing to do.
  - b. Education** – Ann asked for articles for the fall newsletter. Info to be included include Gene Reed's materials from her Annual Meeting presentation; committee reports, highway pick up and the new DNR trailer requirements.
  - c. Environmental Issues**
    - 1) Highway pickup – Went well the weekend of Labor Day and will be covered in the newsletter.
    - 2) Invasive Species –
      - a) CLP treatment – Ann will be requesting a three-year contract from Clarke. Little CLP growing in the lakes this fall.
      - b) Purple loosestrife– This invasive was present by Wilderness Resort Villas and near the channel from Middle to Upper.

3) Water Quality – Ann reported that all lakes are within their normal ranges. Clarity of lakes:  
Upper – 9-1/2 feet; Middle – 12 -13 feet; Lower – 13 feet.

**d. Land Development** – Ann is on the Pequot Lakes advisory board to monitor Wilderness Resort Villas. The group is looking at vegetation and any changes.

**e. Membership** –Membership to date is similar to previous years.

**f. Lake Management Planning** – Ann will set up a meeting of the committee chairs to review and revise the 2010 property owners survey. The revised survey will be sent out in January, 2015.

**6. Special Committee reports**

**a. Fish Management** – no changes since the last report

**7. Old business –**

**Loon Signage** – Kathy Kriewald wrote a letter to the DNR to request loon signage at the boat launch areas; it was noted that Galles might also post a sign by the resort launch area if requested to do so.

**Buoy** – Charlie wrote to the Crow Wing County sheriff and has not received a response. Buoy location has to be approved by the County Board.

**8. New business –**

**Thank you letter** – Charlie Boudrye received a thank you letter from the student who received this year's Soteroplos scholarship funds. Ann will put in the newsletter.

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

**Next meeting: 9 a.m., Saturday, October 11, 2014 at the Lutheran Church of the Cross.**

Submitted by Carol Lindahl, CLA secretary.