



AUG 23, 2016 WASSERMANN LAKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Invitees: WLA Board Members

Location: The Blessing House, 8705 Church Lake Blvd, Victoria, MN 55386

Date: August 23, 2016

Time: 7:00 to 9:00 PM

1. Meeting Called to Order
 - a. Roll Call of 2016 Members
 - i. 9 members present of 17 paid membership
 - ii. Quorum established

2. Introductory comments
 - a. Stan provided a brief history of WLA since 2010 and reviewed the organization's priorities.
 - i. Water quality
 - ii. Invasive species
 - iii. Land use & zoning development
 - b. Lake water quality scores
 - i. Since 2003 Wassermann has always been a C to D
 - c. MCWD is evaluating an alum treatment of Wassermann West Pond

3. 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes were approved without a reading.

4. Reports to members:
 - i. Treasurer's Report
 1. Beginning balance \$2,160.25
 2. Dues collected \$50.00
 3. Spent for mapping the lake: \$800.00
 4. Ending balance \$1410.25
 - ii. Membership Report
 1. 17 members paid in 2015 FY
 2. In process of dues collection for 2016 FY

5. Discussions
 - a. Score your shore
 - i. Stan reviewed the scoring tool, providing the score of his lakefront (140 of possible 200) as an example. He encouraged others to score their properties.
 - b. Lake Bottom Maps
 - i. WLA invested in a thorough scan of the lake as part of a strategy to improve the condition of the lake
 - ii. Mark reviewed the results of the mapping project:
 1. Depth: 40' maximum
 2. Extensive areas of weeds



3. Mostly hard bottom
 4. No major obstacles identified by debris scan
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6. Presentation on Carp Assessment Update
 - a. Justine, from the UofM, reviewed the goals for the study: to establish a comprehensive carp management plan for the subwatershed.
 - b. The study is completing its 3rd field season.
 - c. Wassermann has about 500 lbs of carp per acre vs. an acceptable threshold of 100 lbs/acre.
 - d. Management recommendations:
 - i. Control reproduction by winter aeration
 - ii. Control migrate by one-way gates
 - iii. Remove adult carp—seining and baited box nets
 - e. The study's final report will be issued Spring 2017

 7. Presentation from MCWD
 - a. Eric Feldseth said that the MCWD's near term carp management plan is to begin winter aeration in in Marsh and Lunsten Lakes, a trial of winter seining, and installing a one-way barrier.
 - b. MCWD will meet with DNR in early September on carp harvest options
 - c. A new lake grading system, "E-grade," is being introduced. It's based on an expanded set of parameters including shoreline scoring. The MCWD will issue a report on Wassermann Lake in 2017
 - d. A roaming inspection program at Wasserman Lake, Pierson and Parley Lake remain available as a cost share grant. WLA's share is estimated to be \$8000 if it elects to participate.

 8. Minnehaha Creek Chain of Lakes Headwaters Management Plan
 - a. Bill Olsen encourages the WLA members to write their county commissioners in support of the plan, which includes restoration of the West Wassermann Pond (adjacent to the Hesse farm) and creation of a park extending to Lake Pierson.

 9. Adjourn Board Meeting

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:13 pm, seconded and passed unanimously.