

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes District  
P.O. Box 123, King WI 54946

Annual Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2018, 9 am  
Marden Memorial Center  
Wisconsin Veterans Home, King WI

Chairman Ellis called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. Present were: Ken Denow, Bob Dixon, Bob Ellis, Gerald/Caroline Murphy and Cathy Raynor. Absent was John Hebring.

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Meeting Statement

It was moved from the floor to approve the agenda, seconded and passed by the membership.

It was moved from the floor to approve the August 12, 2017 annual meeting minutes, seconded and passed by the membership.

Audit Report: Ellis announced that Jed DeYoung performed the yearly audit.

Treasurer's Report/Budget Adoption: Ellis introduced Ken Denow of Lime Kiln Lake as appointed Treasurer for the Lake District. Denow has been fulfilling Rick Hammen's unexpired board/Treasurer term and is a candidate for election to the board. He is a retired DNR employee, has worked for the Internal Revenue Service and has other financial experience. Denow discussed the Treasurer's report and the cash balance of \$37,518.78. The proposed 2019 budget was presented including the WDNR grant reimbursements, grant preparation expenses, and lake projects. Ellis asked for a motion to approve the 2019 Budget, seconded and approved from the floor.

Election of Commissioners for a Three-Year Term: John Hebring was re-elected for a three-year term with 44 votes, and Ken Denow was elected for a three-year term with 45 votes.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters Report: Caden Prah, was hired for the 2018 season. Golden Sands trains the coordinator and administers pay, and the Lake District reimburses Golden Sands. Prah inspects boats/trailers at the Taylor Lake boat landing from Memorial Day to Labor Day to prevent the spread of invasive species and has the authority to call the Sheriff if a problem occurs.

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Lake Management Plan/Survey: Ellis reported that in Spring 2017, a property owner survey was mailed out in order to find out the concerns and needs of the property owners. There were 439 surveys returned and results are on the Lake District website. Also noted, lily pad growth is increasing on the Chain. There is no treatment to get rid of zebra mussels. Property owners can pick them off, place them in a plastic bag and put it in the garbage. Water skiing hours have not been changed.

Aquatic Invasive Species Update: Herbicide treatment for invasive plant control was scheduled for May-early June 2018. Bass and Beasley received whole lake treatments. Areas in E Sunset, SE Rainbow, SE Nessling, NE McCrossen, NE Round, NW Lime Kiln and NE Columbia were treated. Jim Sharl, Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resource, LLC was hired to implement the herbicide treatment. DASH was performed in Lime Kiln and George Lakes to harvest the hybrid water milfoil (HWM). Al Pahnke of Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) from Suamico is the DASH provider. The herbicide spot treatment and the DASH method are allowed on the AIS-Established Population Control Grant. A future project will be the Bass Lake end of Young's channel the Summer of 2019.

Public Input: A discussion of the composition of the lake management plan and an invasive species plan ensued. A Sunset lake group of property owners obtained a permit to have their dock areas cleaned out by the DASH/hand harvesting method. It was mentioned that Hartman Creek Park's waterflow is down, due to the many permits approved for high capacity wells used for irrigation in Portage Co. Various residents complained about algae smells near their shoreline. Storm sewer problems near the Veterans Home were discussed including the water flow into Taylor Lake. Comments re the installation of culverts and how they affect the lakes were made. It was suggested that state legislators be contacted in reference to the permits issued for high capacity wells and the damage they cause. The Board was thanked for all their volunteer work.

2019 Annual Meeting Date: Saturday, August 10, 9 am, Marden Memorial Center

Next Board Meeting: It will follow the Annual Meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Raynor  
Secretary

Approved: August 10, 2019