

# Lake Shamineau Association 2003 Spring Meeting

May 24, 2003

The Lake Shamineau Association held its spring meeting at 10:00 a.m., May 24, 2003 at the Scandia Valley Town Hall. President Dale Williams presiding.

Dale introduced the association board. All members were in attendance with the exception of Carolyn Held. Dale introduced our guests Chuck Forss, Morrison County Water Planner and Wayne Pikal, Aqua Tech.

The minutes from the August 2002 meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. The treasurer's report was approved subject to audit.

Balance 8/25/02	\$1,707.10
Total Inflows	700.00
Total Outflows	-978.99
Balance 5/11/03	1,428.11

## Committee Reports

Membership Committee – There will be a membership drive to recruit new members and renew existing memberships for 2003-2004. Volunteers will canvass the property owners. The goal is to reach everyone by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Sandy Williams reported the web site is in the final stages of completion.

Fishing Committee – John Koll reported there are new regulations for Northern Pike in Lake Shamineau – Possession limit 3, all between 24 and 36 inches must be immediately released. Only 1 over 36 inches allowed in possession limit. He provided a “Lake Survey Report” supplied by the DNR that showed the results of 15 gill net sets. The first set done on 7/29/2002, the last net lifted on 8/1/2002. Numbers and weight analyzed these sets.

Water Quality Committee – Eugene Floistad attended a seminar at the state capitol concerning water quality. The goal is to get legislatures more involved in the water quality issue. He suggested that our association join the Minnesota Lakes Assn. Eugene spoke about the “Special Projects, Special People” project. The goal of this project is to have volunteers assist property owners with property maintenance when needed. He also spoke to Roger Kluklok about the West End shoreline damage. There has not been a decision on what can be done at this time. A suggestion to post “No Wake Zone” signs was discussed.

The rising lake levels were discussed at the April board meeting. Dale Williams spoke to Tim Crocker who provided a handout showing the average rainfall for the last 10 yrs was 28” compared to 25” long term. He also provided information on shoreline erosion prevention, rip rap etc.

## Guest Speaker Wayne Pikal

Dale introduced Wayne Pikal from Aqua Tech. They have done two studies on the lake thus far, one on the Northeast bay and at the two culverts, referred to as culvert A and

culvert B. The studies show that the lake is in good shape, it is a spring fed lake, has minimal inflow, low phosphorus levels, and good oxygen. Bacteria are not a problem so far. He suggested that phosphorus free fertilizers and dish washing detergents be used. Mr. Pikal pointed out that while the results of the studies are encouraging, at least 2 more studies should be done to have accurate information.

### **Mission Statement**

President Dale Williams reviewed the association mission statement. A suggestion was made to change the word “preservation” to “conservation”. Randy Johnson, seconded by Cheryl Koll, made a motion. Discussion followed. Sandy Williams moved to adopt the revised mission statement, Bob Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The new mission statement reads, “The Lake Shamineau Association is an organization dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building community.”

### **Minnesota Lakes Association**

Eugene Floistad made a motion that our association join the Minnesota Lakes Assn. Bob Koll seconded the motion. The benefits were discussed. Motion carried. The cost of membership is \$50 per year.

### **Guest Speaker Chuck Forss**

Chuck Forss, Morrison County Water Planner was introduced. He spoke about the “Healthy Lakes Project” and the Initiative Foundation. He explained the 4-step process to receive grant money. Eight lake associations will be chosen to be eligible for these dollars. It is a four-step process as follows:

- Step 1 – 5-8 association members attend 2 five hour training sessions - \$400
- Step 2 – Hold a professionally facilitated visioning session. - \$400
- Step 3 – Formulate a lake management plan - \$800
- Step 4 – Accomplish the plan - \$800

These steps have to be taken between now and summer’s end. The McKnight Foundation funds this program. Chuck recommended Lindberg Ekala as a facilitator. Chuck also said the Morrison County comprehensive land use plan and land use ordinance is being rewritten. There will be public meetings and he encouraged association members to attend and give input.

Eugene Floistad moved to proceed with the “Healthy Lakes Project” training. Bob Koll seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The following people volunteered to attend the training: Bob Koll, Eugene Floistad, Al Doree, Mike Fedde, George Gammon, Sandy Williams, Dale Williams and Mike Willis.

### **Board Member Election**

Deryl Ramey, Marlene Friedl, Eugene Floistad and Bill Faust will be leaving the board. Al Doree, Chris Erickson, Pat Held and Bob Koll were nominated to replace them. Vern Sowada made a motion to close the nominations. George Gammon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **Miscellaneous**

There was discussion regarding posting signs on the property of association members designating them as members. The consensus was we should have signs and each year when memberships are renewed they will be given a sticker to place on their sign. Motion was made to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:45a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Hirschey, Secretary

A short board meeting was held following the membership meeting. Dale Williams introduced the new board members, Bob Koll, Pat Held and Al Doree. Chris Erickson was not in attendance.

Election of officers was held. Dale Williams, President, Bob Koll, Vice President, Maggie Hirschey, Secretary and Vern Sowada, Treasurer.

Committees are Water Quality, Al Doree and Pat Held co-chairman. Luella Heiling and Dale Williams members. Fishing Committee, John Koll chairman, Troy Hradsky, Vern Sowada, Dale Mashuga members. Membership Committee, Carolyn Held chairman, Maggie Hirschey, Lois Gammon and Sandy Williams members.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15.

Maggie Hirschey