

Lake Shamineau Association Membership Meeting September 4, 2004

President Dale Williams opened the meeting at 10:15 a.m. He introduced the Board Members. Board members present were Dale Williams, Mike Fedde, Vern Sowada, Maggie Hirschey, Pat Held, Carolyn Held, Dale Mashuga, Deryl Ramey, Bob Koll and Al Doree, George Gammon and Terry Sandstrom.

Dale introduced guest Tom Wentzel. Tom announced that the Lake Shamineau Association was awarded a \$500 door prize at a recent Initiative Foundation meeting.

Pat Held read the minutes from the August 24, 2004 board meeting that was held at Auger's Resort. The minutes were approved as read. The May membership meeting minutes will be published in the next newsletter.

Vern Sowada read the treasurer's report. The balance as of August 28, 2004 is \$5,637.84. New members joining at the meeting added \$520 to that balance.

Committee Reports

Fishing Committee – Chairman Dale Mashuga –

The DNR's long range goal is to maintain a northern pike catch in spring trap nets with at least 35% of the sample exceeding 24 inches and 2% over 36 inches. Maintain a walleye catch of no less than 6 per gillnet with at least 50% of the sample falling in the 12-20 inch size range. Maintain a spring electro fishing catch rate of over 30 largemouth bass per hour with a PSD of 40-60. Maintain a muskellunge population of 400-500 adult fish (over 30 inches) with at least 30% of the females over 45 inches based on spring muskie evaluations. Maintain a black crappie gillnet catch within or above the lake class interquartile range with at least 40% over 9 inches long. Maintain a bluegill gillnet catch characterized by at least 10% of the sample exceeding 7 inches in length.

They will stock 750 muskies in even numbered years. Two hundred pounds of tullibee were planted in the spring of 2004 and 500 lbs. will be planted this fall.

Ice Damage Committee – Chairman Deryl Ramey

Deryl reported that in 2003 the number one concern of property owners was water level and shoreline damage. A show of hands indicated that water level was no longer the number one issue. Ice heaving and shoreline damage is still a major problem, however. While researching possible solutions, Deryl investigated an aeration process that has been used with some success on other lakes. He asked for assistance in doing further research to determine if this is a viable solution for property owners on Lake Shamineau.

Membership Committee – Carolyn Held

Annual membership runs from June 1st through May 31st. As of September 4th there were 142 members. That number will increase as a result of new members joining at today's meeting.

Water Quality Committee – Al Doree

Lake Shamineau's water level is now 5-1/2" below the high water level. The water level has gone down 15.62 " since last July due in part to below average rainfall. Last year it was discovered that a beaver dam near one of the culverts was causing backup. The dam has been cleared out. The latest secchi disk reading shows the clarity of the lake to be 15.2. A copy of the "Lake Shamineau Quality" report done by Wayne Pikal, Director of Aqua Tech is available for anyone interested in more detail.

Pat Held suggested a study be done on the aquatic plants in our lake. He asked for volunteers.

Old Business

Bogs

Property owner, Tom Heltemes, expressed a concern about bogs. He will contact the DNR to see what the cost would be to stake them. He will email Carolyn Held with his findings.

Property Owner Signs

Signs will cost from \$13 for a two color sign and \$15 for a three color sign. We do not have a design at this time.

Website

Sandy Williams hopes to have the website updated by next week. The website address is Lake Shamineau.org.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Camp Shamineau provided root beer floats for the enjoyment of those attending.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Hirschey, Secretary