

## 2004 LSA Board Meeting Minutes

### Lake Shamineau Association Board Meeting Minutes March 13, 2004 – Countryside Restaurant, Motley, MN

President Dale Williams called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

**Members present** were Dale Williams, Robert Koll, Chris Erickson, Luella Reiling, Carolyn Held, Patrick Held, John Koll and Dale Mashuga.

**Absent** were Maggie Hirschey, Vern Sowada, Al Doree, and Troy Hradsky.

The secretary's report was not available and will be read at the next meeting.

The treasurer's report was sent by Vern Sowada in abbreviated form. Approximately \$1700 in checking and approximately \$1000 in savings. A complete report will be given at the May 29 meeting.

John Koll reported for the fishing committee. Suggestions are needed for committee direction. John talked of having a fishing contest this summer. A year long contest was discussed as well as a Saturday morning four hour event that could be connected with a social after the contest.

Carolyn Held reported for the membership committee. At present we have 156 members out of about 330 possible members. Our goal is to get 100 % membership. With the help of current members and the committee, we will canvas the lake area to get new members this spring. Also will look further into getting membership signs.

A motion was made by Dale Mashuga and seconded by Pat Held to set a fee of \$50 for a quarter page ad with the ad being furnished by the advertiser and the set up will be done by the newsletter editors. A fee of \$75 was set for an insert to the newsletter. The insert will be complete and ready just to insert in the mailing by the advertiser. Chris Erickson amended the motion and John Koll seconded that an approval process by the committee be established and deadline for the May newsletter will be before the board meeting usually held in January and the deadline for the Fall newsletter will be before the fall board meeting usually held in July. The committee will have the authority to approve items submitted for the newsletter to insure that they do not conflict with the mission of the Lake Association. Payment for advertising will be expected prior to the mailing. If there are any ad concerns the committee will bring them to the board. Motion passed for the amendment and the original motion passed.

Dale Williams reported for Al Doree of the Water Quality committee. The final water quality testing report for 2003 has been received from Aqua Tech. The report indicates there are no changes in the water quality of the parameters that were measured.

Application was made for a DNR Shoreland Habitat grant to repair the land erosion on the west end of the camp. It was turned down because it did not fit the criteria for the grant money. We may try to fund this project from other sources. It was discussed that if Camp Shamineau purchased the supplies, the association could help provide work to address the erosion issue. Another application was made for a Minnesota Lakes Association grant to fund training on how to design a Water Quality Monitoring Plan training session. This grant was also turned down because there were 65 applicants and there was only money for seven.

The water level as of October 5, 2003 was 1275.04. This is just under the Official High Water Level (OHWL) reading of 1275.1. Good news as the high on July 3, 2003 was 1275.86. AI will continue to measure the lake level as the ice goes out. The Secchi disk readings continue to be in the normal range.

The committee recommended that the Lake Quality water testing project continue on through 2005, at which time we may qualify for other funding and it would give a good base line for water quality testing in the future. Pat Held moved that funding for water quality testing for 2005 be recommended to the association by the board to continue. Lou Heiting seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Dale Williams attended a Curly Leaf Pondweed Management workshop held February 21, 2004 at Wood Lake Nature Center in Richfield, MN. It was sponsored by the U ofM Shoreland Program, MN Lake Association and Initiative Foundation. It was very informative and will be helpful if Lake Shamineau encounters this type of growth or Eurasian Milfoil. Curly leaf pondweed is very hardy but easier to control unlike Eurasian milfoil.

The Lake Shamineau Management Plan that was developed in September, 2003 was presented in rough draft form. Four Goals were developed: Land Use and Planning Goal; Fisheries and Wildlife Management Goal; Water Quality Goal; and Aquatic Vegetation Goal. It was discussed at length, with a few minor changes recommended by the board to be readied for submitting within the next week. Pat Held made a motion, seconded by Chris Erickson to accept the Lake Shamineau Management Plan with the changes recommended. Motion passed.

Bob Koll made a motion, seconded by John Koll to pay tuition of \$135.00 for AI Doree to attend the Minnesota Lakes Association Education/Information meeting at Craguns this spring. Motion passed.

Committee chairs need to get plans to Carolyn Held by late April early May to get into the spring newsletter.

The May general Lake Association meeting was discussed. It was suggested that Don Hickman from the Initiative Foundation be asked to speak on the plan and now where do we go from here.

Meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Held acting secretary**

## **Lake Shamineau Association Board Meeting Minutes August 21, 2004 - 10:00 AM Auger's Resort**

The meeting was called to order by President Dale Williams. Board members present were Mike Fedde, George Gammon, Deryl Ramey, Bob Koll, Pat Held, Vern Sowada, Dale Williams and Carolyn Held. Board members absent were Maggie Hirschey, Al Doree, Terry Sandstrom, and Dale Mashuga.

Secretary's Report was approved. The minutes of the Executive Board meeting after the association May meeting were not available. They will be reviewed at the September 4, meeting.

Treasurer's report given by Vern Sowada. He stated that we have \$3,209.16 in checking and \$2,018.68 in savings with \$410.00 to be deposited for a total of \$5,637.84. The reported was accepted, subject to review of the books by Pat and Carolyn Held.

There are now 4 working committees: Water Quality Committee, Membership Committee, Water Level and Ice Damage Committee and Fishing Committee.

The Water Quality Committee reported that the grant that was applied for was declined because our lake is in better shape than other lakes that applied. A new company has been hired for the water testing. RMB Environmental Labs is the Company in place of Aqua Tech. The same job is done for less money was the reason for changing company. The washout at Camp Shamineau is an erosion problem, with little being done about it at this point.

Fishing committee had nothing to report.

The Water Level and Ice Damage Committee had contacted Tim Crocker and the high water level mark is 1275.1 which is carved in stone and no adjustment can be done about the high water level mark. Marilyn Dinks, ecological person at state level was contacted about the ice jacking problem. This can be solved with aeration and there are companies that do this for a business. There is a new law as of 8-1-03 that a fee of \$250.00 per resident per year is charged in order to do this process. Proof of Liability of Home Owners Insurance must accompany an application. There was some discussion about the high cost of the fee. Each program must be self sustaining and Jim Lilienthal needs to inspect the property that has applied for aeration. This high fee may be an issue that the Lake Association may want to challenge.

The membership committee reported that there are 105 members to date. There was much discussion about the way membership is handled. The dues covers membership from June 1 to May 31, which will now be stated on the membership application. The cost remains at \$20 for

lake property owners and \$10 for associate members. Bob Koll made a motion that the recruitment of members takes place from Spring Newsletter time through June 30<sup>th</sup>. George Gammon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nothing new has been reported about the Lake Shamineau association signs. Nancy Johnson, Terry Sandstrom and Sandy Williams were looking into this matter. Carolyn will contact them and have information by September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

A new list of board members with addresses and email addresses is necessary. This will be done directly for the executive board and also for the web site.

The September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting at Camp Shamineau was discussed. There will be a short business meeting with committee reports to be kept to 5 minutes and people wanting further information can visit with committee members at the booth set up by their committee. Camp Shamineau will have treats, likely an ice cream social. A motion was made by Carolyn Held that each committee purchase a fishing type door prize in the amount of \$20 to \$25 to be given away at the Fall meeting. Bob Koll seconded. Motion carried. A post card will be sent out reminding Lake Shamineau Property owners of the meeting. A guest speaker from Camp Ripley about the buffer zone may be present.

The meeting dates for the Board will be January 8<sup>th</sup> and one in July or August before the fall meeting. The one in January will plan the May meeting from 10 am till 11 am. The committee chair will report the activity of their committee from 11 till 12, and committee members will be invited to attend if they so choose. A list of committees, the chair of the committee, and the members on the committee will be developed distributed and published for membership reference.

The web site was discussed. In order to update the website, material must be sent to Sandy Williams so that this can take place. Some discussion took place about hiring a tech person for \$100 per year to do this job. No action was taken. It needs to be announced at the fall meeting that the association is young and it is taking time to get all things in place.

It was noted that The Lake Shamineau Association needs to apply for a Tax ID number. It will be looked into by Mike Fedde.

It was decided that we would set up a commercial table at the fall meeting which may be done at subsequent meetings depending on interest.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.

**Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Held, for Maggie Hirschey**