

Lake Shamineau Association Spring Board Meeting Saturday March 10 , 2012 - Little Falls Perkins Restaurant

Members Present: Bob Koll, Jennifer Buckentine, Randy Kevern, Jacquie Rognli, Sandy Williams, Al Doree, Rick Rosar, , Kim Salisbury, Randy Heltemes, Mike Fedde,

Not Present: Pat Held, Dave Graning

Minutes from the June 25, 2011 Board meeting were approved.
Treasurer's report was approved.

Pat Held, Treasurer, provided the following balances in the Association's bank account at Randall State Bank:

Balance on Hand Checking 3/08/2012	\$882.99
Balance in Savings 3/08/2012	<u>\$22,888.20</u>
Total Assets	\$23,771.19

Balance includes \$5,000 grant from the Initiative Foundation for the Shoreland Restoration Program, less the grant monies provided to appropriate property owner projects.

Project - Lakeshore Restoration Grant The Initiative Foundation extended the allowed us of this grant through 2012. An application was received late in 2011 – the board agreed to re-evaluate its compliance with the terms of the grant at our meeting on May 26, 2012.

Project – East boat access DNR installed the concrete plank boat ramp at their expense. The association purchased the materials. The board approved the purchase and installation of a granite marker acknowledging the family donation of the property many years ago and the donation of the Shamineau Lake association of the boat ramp materials. The cost of the marker was \$1,500.

One additional applications was reviewed for shoreline improvements. Further plans and specifics will be requested as the application must meet the guidelines of shoreland restoration.

Owner's Signs Placed on the Crow Wing Power pole on East Shamineau Drive

The Crow Wing Power Company removed the signs and gave them to Pat and Carolyn Held and stated that the signs interfere with the power company pole/equipment. Signs were returned to the property owners. One sign was replaced on the pole. It was removed again. Kim will return the sign to the owner and explain the power company's policy. It was mentioned that a property owner in that area may be building a sign structure for the placement of signs.

Concern of gull droppings of red dyed fish product from Motley business Cap'n Jack's which is being fed to livestock at an area farm –piles left uncovered on farm property

A letter from Auger's and photos of the gull droppings on docks was received. The letter asked for advice on who to possibly contact regarding the issue. The board's advice was to

refer Augers to county agencies about possible rules and also to ask Augers to write a letter to the farmer asking to possibly put a tarp over the fish scraps to keep gulls away. Rick will participate with Augers in wording the letter appropriately. It is not an issue for the board to solve but is a shared concern of lake property owners affected.

Spring Meeting Planning Meeting will be at the Lincoln Evangelical Church at 9 am May 26, 2012. Jacquie will bring a screen for the projector. Sandy will get donuts, coffee and juice. A social “mixer” will be a short lake quiz with a drawing for a prize to encourage participation. Looking for possible speakers. Discussed a birder. Will check into possibilities with Brainerd Audubon Society.

Other Business Association member signs and yearly stickers will be ordered. Purchase was approved by the board to continue purchasing these as needed.

Newsletter submissions due April 15.

Board voted to approve the continuation of water quality testing.

Mike Fedde set up a Facebook account for the Lake Association for communication purposes. There are 48 “friends” associated with this Facebook account.

Morrison County Soil & Water Conservation District: Lake and River Day will be held at the Scandia Valley Townhall on Saturday, June 9th from 9-12 .

They are not totally sure what the topics will be but will likely have someone there from fisheries, possibly someone to address discussions on invasives, Planning and Zoning septic ordinance, Clean Water Legacy possibilities, etc.

They will bring the equipment to offer well testing for nitrates. But we also want to collect some random samples to send to the Mn. Dept. of Health for arsenic. They will have a supply of bottles to pour the samples into but we do need the well log id number. They can probably assist in getting that number for homeowners that don't have their records, but we would need their name and address prior to that day to find their number..

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Lake Shamineau Association Spring Board Meeting Saturday May 26 , 2012 - Lincoln Free Church

Members Present: Bob Koll, Jennifer Buckentine, Jacquie Rognli, Sandy Williams, Al Doree, Rick Rosar, , Randy Heltemes, Mike Fedde, Pat Held, Dave Graning, Jane Kramer

Not Present: Brian Salisbury, Randy Kevern

Minutes from the March 10, 2012 Board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Pat Held, Treasurer, provided the following balances in the Association's bank account at Randall State Bank:

Balance on Hand Checking 5/23/2012	\$329.04
Balance in Savings 5/23/2012	<u>\$23,327.43</u>
Total Assets	\$23,656.47

Balance includes \$5,000 grant from the Initiative Foundation for the Shoreland Restoration Program, less the grant monies provided to appropriate property owner projects.

Election of Officers Jennifer – President, Pat – Treasurer, Rick – Vice President, Sandy – Secretary

Randy Heltemes indicated he would assist in getting speakers.

Discussion of Variance Applications Board members expressed their support of following ordinances regarding building projects; our mission is to support shoreline restoration and water quality. Building variances may be in conflict with best practices in maintaining the quality of the lake.

Concern of gull droppings of red dyed fish product from Motley business Cap'n Jack's

No longer an issue; hog farm has sold the hogs.

Fall Meeting Planning – Will meet in July, email will request best date to meet.

Other Business – 301© Annual filing verified.

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Lake Shamineau Association Summer Board Meeting Saturday July 7, 2012 9 a.m., Lincoln Free Church

Members Present: Bob Koll, Jennifer Buckentine, Jacquie Rognli, Sandy Williams, Al Doree, Rick Rosar, , Randy Heltemes, , Pat Held, Jane Kramer, Randy Kevern

Not Present: Brian Salisbury, Dave Graning, Mike Fedde

Minutes from the May 26, 2012 Board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Pat Held, Treasurer, provided the following balances in the Association's bank account at Randall State Bank:

Balance on Hand Checking 7/7/2012	\$1,370.19
Balance in Savings 7/7/2012	<u>\$21,338.56</u>
Total Assets	\$22,708.75

Membership Report – No totals for this year, Dan and Doris Amundson and Marlene Friedl completed their areas, others are still contacting residents.

Fishing Committee – No report, but it was noted that large panfish have been caught recently.

Water Quality Committee – Water testing continues. There is a sharp thermocline at 19 meters (temperature and oxygen content drop). Clarity is measured at 14 feet with the Secchi disk and was 17 feet a month ago. Lake level is 5.4 inches above the ordinary high water level on July 6 and was at 6.1 inches above OHWL the previous week. We have had 16.5 inches of rain this year as of July 6.

Communications - Newsletter articles are due July 15. We have approximately 60-70 Facebook Friends. Correction to be put in the newsletter: The imitation crab meat that gulls were feeding on at a nearby farm was from Trident Seafoods, not Morey's Seafood International Market. List of board members and contact information to be distributed to board members.

Action: Sandy to compile and send the board member list. Committees send in newsletter articles.

Shoreline Restoration Grant – The board approved the application from the Hollands based on the native plantings, observations and photos. The board is requesting more specific information on the plantings planned by the Larsons to minimize road runoff to the beach and will consider the application once the information is received. Prairie Restorations visited eight properties on June 9 and has provided a high level written report to the board of general recommendations for shoreline plantings. Plans for each individual property visited are expected soon. The plans can be attached to the grant application form indicating what the property owner plans to do and grant monies can be available to support the projects but must be completed this calendar year. Before and after photos are requested so that we can show the results to the membership at a future meeting as well as document the grant process.

Action: Pat to contact Larsons for additional shoreline restoration information and to forward grant applications via email to board members.

High Water– Warnings should be posted at the public boat accesses regarding boat wakes (waves created by moving boat). There was discussion about interested property owners placing signs at the end of their docks, saying "NO WAKE PLEASE" to protect shorelines.

Action: Pat to call DNR, Jeff Halvorson regarding signs. Article on website, in the newsletter and on Facebook reminding boaters of no wake near shorelines. Jacquie to research no wake info. Randy K. to research cost for signs.

Eurasian Milfoil Discovery – Shamineau Acres resort sent an aquatic plant sample to the DNR and it was confirmed to be invasive Eurasian milfoil. There are a few plants in the northwest bay. The DNR recommends manually pulling them out. They provided names of two dive companies who are trained to do this properly. Chemically treating the area would kill the native northern milfoil which is abundant in the bay and helps to contain the growth of the invasive species. Grants are available to offset the cost of the removal. The board voted to follow DNR recommendations, apply for a removal permit and a grant. Rick Rosar obtained a quote from one of the removal companies for around \$1500-\$2000. We will get quotes from the second removal company and the board will vote on which to proceed with via email. We will notify membership of the discovery by newsletter, email, Facebook and website. The DNR representative indicating they would be surveying the lake for any other infested locations. It was also suggested we ask the membership about their opinion on paying someone to be at accesses on busy weekends to inform boaters and educate them as to keeping boats and trailers clean of invasives. Jacquie noted that the Minnesota Sea Grant is very helpful with educational information. A company which does TSI mapping (tropic state index) called TSI Overflight sent information which we will consider at a future meeting due to cost and further information about the milfoil treatment costs and grant.

Action: Pat will submit a permit application for removal of the plants and will apply for a grant for this purpose. Pat to contact second removal company for cost quote. Jen to post milfoil info on Facebook. Jacquie to post milfoil info on website and send to email list.

Fall Membership Meeting Plans – Committees purchase door prizes, each spend up to \$50. Discussed speaker ideas and will see what we can find and also try to pre-book for the spring meeting. It is difficult to find speakers to come on a Saturday.

Action: Bob confirm meeting location at Lincoln Free Church Sept 1. Sandy to get juice and rolls. Jen and Sandy to research speaker ideas. Randy H. to contact possible speakers. Committees to purchase door prizes. Al to contact Audrey in Little Falls office.

Meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary

Summary of Action Items:

- Bob confirm meeting location at Lincoln Free Church Sept 1.
- Sandy to get juice and rolls. Sandy to research speaker ideas. Sandy to compile and send the board member list.
- Jen to research speaker ideas. Jen to post milfoil info on Facebook.
- Randy H. to contact possible speakers.
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- Randy K. to research cost for signs.
- Al to contact Audrey in Little Falls office.