



Lake Shamineau Association Newsletter

Newsletter No. 28

FALL 2015

Fall meeting September 5

The fall membership meeting of the Lake Shamineau Association will be held Saturday, September 5, 2015, 9:00 AM at Lincoln Evangelical Free Church.

Lincoln Evangelical Free Church is located 1354 320th Street, Cushing, MN 5644. Thank you to the church for letting the Lake Association use their facility at no cost. 🐾



Interested citizens attended the Morrison County public hearing to give and hear comments about creating a Shamineau Lake Improvement District May 23, 2015.



The Morrison County Board of Commissioners listened to comments. District. Left to Right: County Auditor/Treasurer Deb Lowe, Commissioners Jeffrey J. Jelinski, Duane L. Johnson, Mike R. Wilson, Randy H. Winscher, Kevin J. Maurer, and County Administrator Deb Gruber.

Lake Shamineau Association Membership Meeting Saturday, September 5, 2015 Lincoln Evangelical Free Church Agenda

- 1) Pre-Opening – Membership renewals; Letter writing to legislatures
- 2) Call to order 9:00
- 3) President's Welcome
- 4) Open forum - 15 minute time limit
- 5) Secretary's Report
- 6) Treasurer's Report
- 7) President's Report
- 8) Committees
 - Fishing
 - Water Quality
 - Membership
 - Loons & Wildlife
 - Communications
- 9) Lake Improvement District (LID)
- 10) New Business
- 11) Adjourn

LID approved

The Morrison County Board voted unanimously to approve the formation of the Shamineau Lake Improvement District on June 9, 2015. (See p. 3) Kevin Maurer, Chairman, made a point to congratulate the Lake Shamineau Association on our efforts to preserve and to protect our lake. He commended us for our efforts and agreed that more of our state and user responsibilities (dollars) should be inserted to protect our state resources. 🐾



Lake Shamaineau Association
P.O. Box 152
Motley, MN 56466

<http://minnesotawaters.org/lakeshamaineau>

Mission Statement: The Lake Shamaineau Association is an organization dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building of community.

Board Members

President: Randy Heltemes, 612-308-2245
Secretary: Sandy Williams, 651-487-7916
Treasurer: Pat Held, 218-575-2400
Mike Fedde, 651-452-2966
Dave Graning, 763-261-4812
Bob Ingle, 612-759-6711
Randy Kevern, 218-575-2844
Kerry Kupersmidt, 651-308-3962
Jacquie Rognli, 763-441-7239
Brian Salisbury, 218-575-2097

Committees

Communications: Newsletter & website-
Jacquie Rognli; Sandy Williams
Fishing: Rick Rosar
Ice Damage & Jacking: Deryl Ramey
Membership: Bob Ingle
Water Quality: Al Doree; Bob Koll

Lake Improvement District

Fred Comb, Treasurer, 612-840-0709
Bob Koll, Chair, 218-575-2577
Judi Kupersmidt, Sec., 651-308-3962
Dale Mashuga
Rick Rosar, 612-709-6402

Membership

The membership year for the Lake Shamaineau Association is June 1 to May 31. Annual dues are \$20.00. Three-year membership is \$55.00. Non-property owners can join for a \$10.00 associate membership. member5hi9@gmail.com

Donations

The Lake Shamaineau Association is a 501C3 non-profit institution. Donations and dues are tax deductible with your check as a receipt.

Meetings

Association meetings are held the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend and the Saturday of Labor Day weekend.

Newsletter

The newsletter is published two times a year. Deadlines are July 15 & April 15. Submissions can be sent to Jacquie Rognli, editor at LakeNewsletter@msn.com

Eurasian watermilfoil 2015 fall update

By Rick Rosar

The 2015 Lake Shamaineau Association plan for control of invasive Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) is to conduct a minimum of two visits to potentially reduce the chance of spreading due to fragmentation when plants are fully grown. The board is currently planning to conduct a third pull as time and finances allow.

Waterfront Restoration SCUBA specialists have been hired the last four years to hand remove Eurasian milfoil at each GPS plot provided by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and previous pulls and lake surveys, taking great care to protect the native Northern watermilfoil present within each area. This provides a safe and effective method for invasive lake weed control and also helps to provide a healthier habitat for Northern watermilfoil and other natives.

On July 22, during the second pull of 2015, three divers spent two days removing EWM. They started by canvassing all points previously removed and then contacted a homeowner who had marked a patch in front of his house where they had originally surveyed for hybrid milfoil. Some hybrid milfoil was found in those areas. From there they did a canvas of the southwest side of the lake. Examination outside of those hybrid points found large areas of Eurasian watermilfoil from the west of Augers Resort to the east of the area previously known as Tesch's Resort.

The EWM previously removed had very minimal growth. The majority of EWM removed was found around the previously identified "hybrid area." All patches that were found to have EWM on this visit were marked by GPS and recorded.

On June 16, during the first visit of 2015, three divers spent two days removing EWM. All GPS coordinates from previous years were found to have EWM as well as some new spots.

In 2014, three divers spent two days removing the EWM for a total of 40 man hours. Removal was done in new areas as well, that were discovered while surveying the northwest bay.

In 2013, four divers spent close to 22 man hours removing EWM. The EWM in 2013 had populated into deeper areas of the northwest bay, according to the DNR survey in late August.

In 2012, four scuba divers spent a total of 22 man hours removing EWM near Shamaineau Acres Resort and surveying other areas of the bay to locate other possible occurrences of the invasive. GPS plots and maps were provided by Invasive Species Specialist Chris Jurek of the MNDNR. 🐸



Total pounds of EWM removed by year

2012:	200 pounds
2013:	300 pounds
2014:	1,500 pounds
2015 first visit:	975 pounds
2015 second visit:	960 pounds



**STOP AQUATIC
HITCHHIKERS!™**

Treasurer's outlook

By Pat Held, Treasurer

Over the years when our bank balance was over \$20,000, people would ask me about what we were going to do with all that money. With the advent of the Eurasian watermilfoil in the lake, we now know what we are going to do with all that money.

This year we have spent almost \$4500 on expenses associated with milfoil removal. All our expenses so far this year have outstripped our income by more than \$3000. Considering that we have at least one more visit from the dive team scheduled and may be looking at another lake survey to look for additional areas of infestation, it is clear that this is going to be a very expensive year for the Association.

On the other hand, without the aggressive approach that the LSA Board has taken, the quality of our lake would have taken a major hit.

All in all, it was a very prudent and far sighted course to have built up a large bank balance. I would hate to think of what it would have been like if we had not done that. It is also clear that this problem is rapidly getting beyond the ability of the Association to have enough funds to do what is necessary to deal with this issue. 🐸



Order Establishing Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District

Based upon testimony received at a public hearing held at the Lincoln Free Evangelical Church in Morrison County, Minnesota, on May 23, 2015, the comments of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the recommendations of staff, and upon all files, records and proceedings herein, the Morrison County Board of Commissioners makes the following:

FINDINGS

Morrison County recognizes that its lakes and rivers are important natural resources. This has been demonstrated by its support of many different past and present lakes and rivers programs within the County. These programs have encouraged lake lot owners and lake associations to manage water quality and exotic vegetation in the County lakes.

1. The Lake Shamineau Association came to the County Board in early Spring of 2015 requesting the creation of a Lake Improvement District as a means of supporting the work the Association has done to maintain the quality of the lake. They believed this was the best way to fairly and effectively confront their existing and potential lake problems. With this mechanism, Lake Shamineau will be able to recognize lake problems and act to correct them without relying on unpredictable voluntary funding.
2. The Lake Shamineau Association was organized in 2001 with a mission to be "dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building of community." The Association has been working hard to build community support for projects to care for the quality of the lake. They have a long active citizen lake monitoring program, have developed a lake plan, done vegetation surveys, Eurasian Water milfoil removal, Trophic index studies, sponsored and supported lakeshore restoration projects, partnered with Morrison County and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources on several projects, and continue an education and information effort through guest presentations, bi-annual newsletter, website, and Facebook. They rely completely on voluntary contributions and membership.
3. Because threats like Eurasian Water Milfoil, Curly Leaf Pondweed, Zebra Mussels, and other non-native invasive species, pollution, shoreline erosion, high water levels, ice jacking and more are threats which should be dealt with early before they become a serious problem; the Lake Improvement District will be working with water oriented businesses as well as all levels of government officials to find solutions to these problems.
4. A Lake Improvement District will provide a responsible approach to maintenance and correction. It will continue and expand the work begun by the Lake Shamineau Association as it becomes impossible to fund this essential work with voluntary contributions.
5. To show support for a Lake Improvement District, letters of support were signed by 17% of the owners of property adjoining the lake and were submitted to the County asking that a Lake Improvement District be established for Lake Shamineau.
6. On March 24, 2015, the Morrison County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution giving notice of its intent to establish the Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District and setting the public hearing to obtain input about the district.
7. Notice of the public hearing was sent to the Department of Natural Resources, the Pollution Control Agency, local units of government and all riparian landowners. Notice was published and posted as required by law.
8. On May 23, 2015 the Morrison County Board of Commissioners conducted a public hearing at the Lincoln Free Evangelical Church in Morrison County concerning the creation of a Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District.

Oral and written comments were received by the Board.

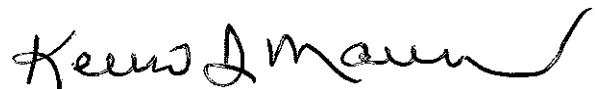
9. The response from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources regarding the establishment of a Lake Improvement District for Lake Shamineau was read into the record.
10. A consensus of those attending the hearing or submitting written comments supported the creation of a Lake Improvement District.
11. The Lake Improvement District is a necessary component in helping to preserve Lake Shamineau as a viable natural resource in the County. Efforts made to date to control aquatic invasive species (i.e. Eurasian water milfoil, purple loosestrife, curly leaf pondweed, zebra mussels, and others) and other non-native or native species whether known or unknown, fund boat and trailer inspections, cleaning and decontamination and other prevention methods, study high water levels and no lake outlet problems, and to monitor water quality have been unsuccessful and/or unfair because they have relied on voluntary contributions of interested individuals.
12. The Lake Improvement District will promote the public welfare by improving the quality of the lake.
13. Landowners will benefit from the Lake Improvement District's aquatic plant management because they will have the opportunity for greater use of the lake and increased property values.
14. The lake management program will be done under the direction of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and will not cause or contribute to long-range environmental pollution.
15. The Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District will include all riparian properties.
16. The primary programs to be undertaken will be the following:
 - a) Aquatic invasive species and other non-native or native species (i.e. Eurasian water milfoil, purple loosestrife, curly leaf pondweed, zebra mussels and others known or unknown, whether plant or animal.)
 - b) Funding boat and trailer inspections, cleaning and decontamination, and other prevention methods.
 - c) High water levels; No lake outlet problems.
 - d) Water Quality Monitoring.
17. The programs will be financed by special assessments imposed on riparian landowners.
18. The Morrison County Soil and Water Conservation District will be the Agency responsible for supervising the programs of the Lake Improvement District.
19. Delegation of the powers stated below to the Lake Improvement District will assure that representatives of the people most directly affected by the actions of the District will determine its management.
20. The manner of voting outlined below provides a fair method of equalizing control among individuals when there are multiple parcels owned by a single person(s) and/or multiple owners of single parcels.
21. The directors listed below meet the requirements of Minnesota Statute 1038.551.
22. Because of the County's residual financial responsibility under Minnesota Rule 6115.0980, the directors will be required to maintain insurance and follow standard government accounting principles.

Wherefore, the Morrison County Board of Commissioners makes the following Order:

1. The Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District is hereby established.
2. The District shall include all riparian (littoral) properties to Lake Shamineau.
3. The Lake Improvement District is authorized to undertake the following programs as determined necessary by their board of directors and in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.
 - a) Aquatic invasive species and other non-native or native species (i.e. Eurasian water milfoil, purple loosestrife, curly leaf pondweed, zebra mussels and others known or unknown, whether plant or animal.)
 - b) Funding boat and trailer inspections, cleaning and decontamination, and other prevention methods.
 - c) High water levels; No lake outlet problems.
 - d) Water Quality Monitoring.
4. Projects of the Lake Improvement District will be financed by special assessments imposed on riparian (littoral) landowners.
5. The Lake Improvement District will be managed by a five (5) person board of directors. Directors shall be property owners in the Lake Improvement District. Except for the original board appointees, directors shall serve two (2) year terms. The terms shall be staggered. Property owners are those shown as owners on the records of the Morrison County Auditor.
6. The following individuals shall serve as directors for two years beginning upon adoption of this order and continuing until the 2018 Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District annual meeting: Judy Kupferschmidt, Dale Mashuga, Robert Koll, Rick Rosar, and Fred Comb.
7. Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting to be held in July or August of each year on a date set by the board of directors.
8. A director may be removed from office by a majority vote of the remaining board members for failure to attend meetings or for conduct detrimental to the good of the Lake Improvement District.

9. A vacancy on the Board of directors shall be filled by election at the next annual meeting.
10. Individuals whose names appear as owners of Lake Shamineau riparian property on the records of the Morrison County Auditor are eligible to cast votes for board members and on other Lake Improvement District matters; however, no property shall have more than one vote. A "riparian property" is defined as a parcel or parcels held in separate and distinct ownership, regardless of the number of lots or parcels owned, the acreage, or the number of owners; except, when a "riparian property" is owned in common by members of a condominium, common interest community, planned unit development or other common ownership arrangement, the owners of each unit having an interest in the common riparian property shall have a vote and shall have all other rights and responsibilities, including being subject to assessment, as riparian property owners.
11. Voting for directors will be by secret ballot. Ballots shall be mailed to each property owner within the district at least three (3) weeks prior to the annual meeting. Ballots may be sent or delivered to the clerk of the board prior to or on the date of the annual meeting.
12. Directors may receive compensation for their services as determined by the property owners at the annual meeting and may be reimbursed for actual expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties in the manner provided for County employees.
13. The following powers are hereby delegated to the Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District:
 - a) To undertake research to determine the condition and development of Lake Shamineau and the water entering into it and to transmit the results of the studies to the Pollution Control Agency and other interested authorities;
 - b) To conduct a program of water improvement and conservation, limited to aquatic nuisance control as allowed by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources;
 - c) To make cooperative agreements with the United States or state government or other counties or cities to effectuate authorized water and related land resource programs;
 - d) To take actions necessary for the administration of the Lake Improvement District;
 - e) To levy special assessments to finance implementation of the powers identified in this order pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1038.555, subd.4.
14. The Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District shall maintain general liability insurance in the amount of tort limits by Minnesota Statute 466 and shall name Morrison County as an additional insured on such insurance policy. A copy of the insurance policy shall be filed annually with the Morrison County Auditor.
15. The Lake Improvement District shall, within four months after its annual meeting, file an annual report with the Morrison County Board of Commissioners, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Morrison County Soil and Water Conservation District.
16. The County Board will consider termination of the Lake Improvement District upon receipt of a petition signed by the majority of the property owners in the District.
17. The Lake Improvement District shall operate in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1038.501 to 103B.581 and Minnesota Rules 6115.0900 to 6115.0980 and within the limitations of this order.
18. This order will become effective 30 days after its publication in the Morrison County Record.

This order was approved by the Morrison County Board of Commissioners at its meeting on June 9, 2015.



Kevin J. Maurer
Chair, Morrison County Board of Commissioners

Dated this 9th day of June, 2015
Attested to by:


Administrator

Title

The Shante in Pillager

218-746-4412

Located next to Lakewood Clinic on Hwy 210, Pillager



www.theshante.com

Wi-Fi
◆
Espresso
Bar
◆
Food
◆
Ice Cream
◆
Smoothies
◆
Gifts
◆
Catering
◆
Pizza



Coffee Shop

The Shante
\$5 off a
purchase of
\$25 or
more!

Offer not valid with any other offers or discounts.

Expires 8/31/15



The Shante
\$1.00 OFF
Take & Bake Pizza

Offer not valid with any other offers or discounts.

Expires 8/31/15

The Shante
50¢ OFF
Ice Cream or Smoothies

Offer not valid with any other offers or discounts.

Expires 8/31/15



The Shante
50¢ OFF a
Latte or Mocha

Offer not valid with any other offers or discounts.

Expires 8/31/15



Kathy's
Kut & Kurl

Family Hair Care by Appointment
(218) 575-2519

Watercolors by Kerry L. Kupferschmidt
Landscapes and wildlife of Minnesota
Home Illustrations from photos or plans



www.klkartistry.com 612-986-5396
klkart.kupferschmidt@gmail.com
home studio on Lake Shamineau
Gallery also at www.CentralMNWatercolorists.org

Crookneck Lake Construction LLC



2578 White Pine Lane
Motley, MN 56466

Steve Zahler, Keri Kuklok

Ph: 218-839-0800 or 575-2772
stevez@brainerd.net
Lic. BC635366

New Construction,
Additions, Remodels,
Design Service

Mid-Minn Excavation

34759 Hwy. 10 • Motley, MN 56466

Septic Systems | Water & Sewer Service | Driveway & Road Building
Land Clearing | Rip/Rap | Boulders | Rock Walls
Black Dirt | Gravel | Building Site Work

Ken Zetah 218-575-2469 • 320-808-0442



SPORTSMAN'S
PLUMBING, HEATING, A/C
OUTDOOR SERVICES

Clayton Hageman Bryan Reese

218-831-8720 • 218-296-2201

24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE



IDEAL *Paving the way for you!*
CONSTRUCTION, LLC Staples, MN

Asphalt Paving • Seal Coating • Excavating • Driveways
Roads • Parking Lots • Site Prep • Gravel • Rock • Black Dirt
Fill • Peat • Ponds • Demolition • Hauling • Landscaping
Recycle Concrete and Asphalt

Since 1958.....**218-894-3105**



Scandia Valley Vineyards and Winery

Jon McClain
218-575-2336
jon@svvwine.com

Scandia Valley Vineyards
3304 320th St. Cushing, MN 56443
www.svvwine.com



Pine Ridge
GOLF CLUB

218-575-3300



BENDING PINES POTTERY

ON LAKE SHAMINEAU
OPEN STUDIO/SALE

Hand Thrown Functional Stoneware
1-4 PM Saturday and Sunday
Labor Day Weekend
September 5-6

Ken Maddux, Potter
3501 Pineview Blvd.
320-250-9513
Now accepting all major credit cards.

Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District (LID) Report to Morrison County Board of Commissioners

August 6, 2015

Our LID was recently established to begin in 2016. We, therefore, have no report for the 2015 year.

We will have a mid season report by next August 10th (2016) of our projects, expenses, and surveys including a Preliminary Levi for the 2017 season.

Our Projects and Budget for 2016 will be financed by an assessment imposed on the riparian lots around Lake Shamineau. Taxes will be equally apportioned, (at a rate of \$35.00 per lot for taxes payable in 2016) by lot ownership whereby each owner is assessed only once without regard to the number of lots owned.

We understand that our funding will not be available until late June, 2016.

Regards, Bob Koll

(Board Member, Lake Shamineau LID) 

Shamineau Lake Improvement District (SLID)

Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2015

Present: Dale Mashuga, Rick Rosar, Judi Kupferschmidt, Bob Koll, Fred Comb

Next meeting: TBD

Announcements

Our first meeting was a review of the Order Establishing SLID, introductions and agreement on topics. Board became effective 30 days after publication in Morrison County Record, which was June 14, 2015. Existing board members are to serve two year terms.

Director duties and areas of expertise discussion with the following assignments agreed to by the group:

Chair: Bob Koll
Treasurer: Fred Comb
Director: Rick Rosar
Secretary: Judi Kupferschmidt
Director: Dale Mashuga

Agenda Items

Finances: Money will not be available to the SLID until late June 2016. Agreed we will ask if we can borrow from Shamineau Lake Association in the meantime. Expenses we expect are milfoil pulling and insurance for the board as required per statute 466. Bob and Fred


are investigating whether expenses can be delayed until the money from assessment is released.

Communications: Secretary will investigate getting data for labels, communications from the county; we will continue to use a link off the SLA web page on Minnesotawaters.org for references.

Outstanding

Timeline and communications

- An annual meeting is required during July or August unless changed at that meeting
- Notice published 10 days in advance to the county board, town boards, Pollution Control Agency, commissioner of natural resources, and all property owners in the assessment area if any project costs in excess of \$5000.
- An annual or midterm report is required

Secretary: summary of mission, timeline/checklist for board deliverables, drop box 

Lake Level Report

Rain from March to end of May 2015 = 8.14"

June = 2.52"

July = 4.54"

Aug = 3.37" so far

Total for year = 18.57"


Lake level is 9.24" above the Ordinary High Water Level

Secchi Disc reading is 12.5 ft.

Thermo Cline is 8 meters 

Zebra mussels discovered in Fish Trap



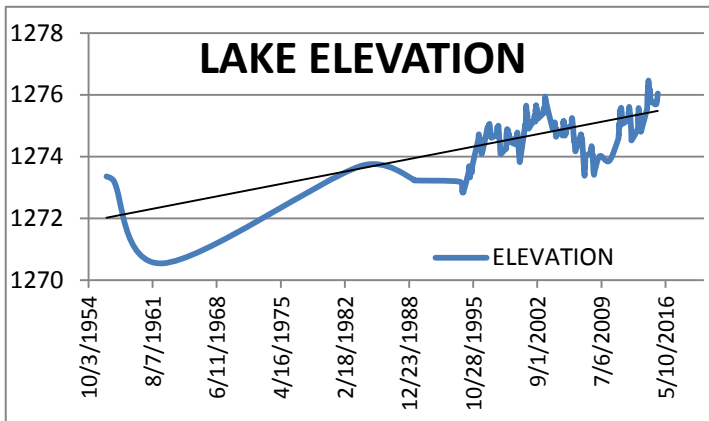
On June 30, a lake user reported a zebra mussel attached to a submerged tree branch near shore in Fish Trap Lake that was later confirmed by a DNR aquatic invasive species (AIS) specialist. DNR staff surveyed the lake and found an established population of adult zebra mussels in widespread areas of the lake. "Fish Trap Lake is the first lake in Morrison County to be confirmed with zebra mussels," said Christine Jurek, DNR invasive species specialist in Sauk Rapids. 

How high's the water Mama?

By Mike Fedde

1276.46 feet and rising! That is the main news other than Eurasian watermilfoil spreading in our lake. The lake level is affecting almost all of the lakeshore residents as it damages houses and structures, knocks trees down, and radically changes the shoreline.

Shamaineau Lake has no outlet and lies in the bottom of a basin that stretches from just beyond the north shore on the north, near Lake Alexander south, and near Camp Ripley to the east. Since there is no outlet, the events and weather in that basin are the determinants of Shamaineau Lake level. A historical graph since 1956 is shown below.



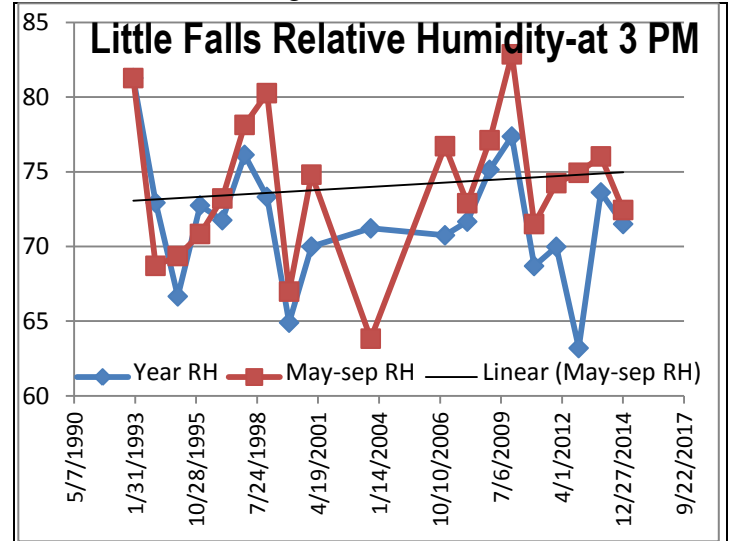
The graph is showing us what we have seen in the last decade and that is a steady trend of higher and higher elevation. Many people ask what can be the cause. Is it beavers? Is it bad luck? Did drainage change in the area somehow? This article will discuss not these items but 3 others – precipitation, humidity, and tree removal.

A large oak tree can transpire up to 40,000 gallons of water a year. Further it stores water both in its trunk, roots, and leaves but the litter also stores water and slows drainage. An acre of trees can hold 200 trees in this area so removing trees for various uses including houses and agriculture increases runoff in our basin. We have not seen an increase in tree area in the Shamaineau basin and actually significant clearing in the last few decades of high real estate utilization. We, the owners of present, past and future buildings are adding surface water to the basin and raising the lake.

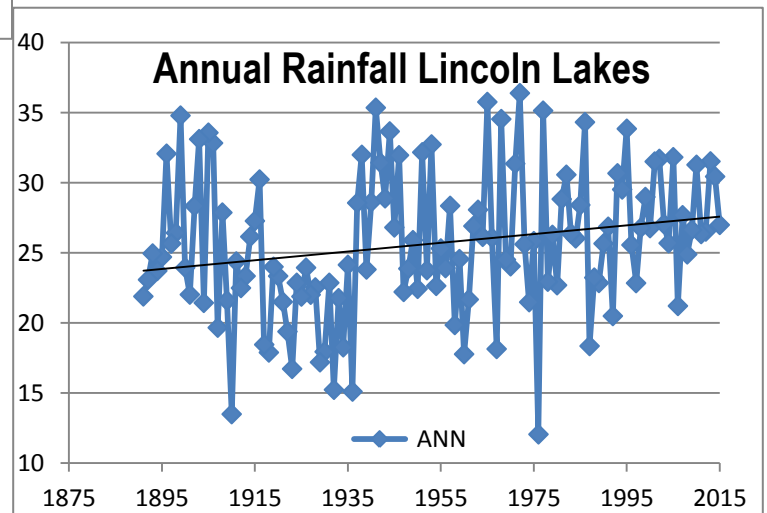
If you listen to the weekly appearance of Mark Seely, the University of Minnesota climatologist, you will hear of long term trends in our climate. A couple of these are that humidity is increasing and precipitation is increasing and the cause is a warming of our climate.

The relative humidity trend over time is shown in the graph below. This data is only good for the period

since 1992. This may be short a time but it does indicate that humidity is increasing for a period of only a few decades. The effect of rising relative humidity is less evaporation – the main way Shamaineau Lake can go down.



The rain trend over time (since 1891) is shown in the next graph. The rainfall trend over this longer period of time is very clear. It is increasing at more than 10% over a century and the average annual rainfall is up over 3 inches a year in that period.



My non-expert opinion is this may be the biggest contributor to lake elevation change. All three are definitely contributing as well. Sending the water to nearby farmers for irrigation can be considered but we should be careful. First of all, increased irrigation will increase the chemical content from agriculture use and we may find our wells and lakes infused to the point of major effect. Second, irrigation from surface water has a tendency to raise the water table and since Shamaineau is spring fed as well, raising the water table will be counter-productive. Any solution should be subject to extensive review by the community and our government entities. 🐾

Lake Shamineau Membership Meeting

Saturday, May 23, 2015 8:30 AM

Lincoln Evangelical Free Church

Board members present: Al Doree, Randy Kevern, Mike Fedde, Dave Graning, Rick Rosar, Randy Heltemes, Pat Held, Jacquie Rognli, Judy Kupferschmidt, Bob Ingle, Bob Koll

Presidents Welcome - Randy Heltemes welcomed the members, other lakeshore property owners and guests.

Member Recognition - Al Doree, after 12 yrs on the board, was recognized for his contributions. He states will still do water quality testing, and the Association presented him with a gift, a new GPS system for his boat. Also those members who worked on the Lake Improvement District (LID) were also recognized for all of the hard work they accomplished leading up to the public hearing for the LID, being held immediately after this meeting. Those individuals are listed in the Spring Newsletter. Also, thanks and appreciation go to Jacquie Rognli for her excellent work on the Association newsletter, as well as meeting setup for audio and visual. Jacquie also maintains the Shamineau Lake Association web site. She has added a page on the web site with information on the Lake Improvement District.

Minutes - The Lake Association fall meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report - The treasurer, Pat Held, reported the Association bank balance was \$14,622.19 as of May 22, 2015. Acceptance of the financial report was moved, seconded and approved.

Water Quality Report - Al Doree reported the lake level was 11.4 inches above the ordinary high water mark; last fall it was over 17 inches above the ordinary high water mark. Rain since March 20, was 6.24 inches, the Secchi disk showed 12.5 feet of water clarity.

Fishing Report - Rick Rosar reported that he is seeing blue gills of a nice size, up a little from past years. Winter fishing experienced clear ice for driving out on the lake and the walleyes were cooperative.

Membership Report as of August 15, 2015

Bob Ingle, Membership Chair through 2015

I will be resigning as Membership Chair after this year. I will help assist the new Membership Chair for the spring 2016 reports and meeting and continue to help as a captain on Aztec Rd. I must move on from this responsibility that I took on with the understanding that it would be an interim position while the association found a replacement for Carolyn Held. During my term, I've learned a lot about this organization and gained an appreciation for the people involved, it has been fun and enlightening! Please consider volunteering. You'll learn all about data base management,

Invasive Eurasian Milfoil Update - Divers will be scheduled for three rounds of pulling out the plants if we have the funds. At 0-17 ft depth, a survey around the other shorelines did not turn up any additional plants of this invasive species in 2014. The divers pulled the plants once last year, and once the previous each two years. With two or more pulls, the cost would be lower for the subsequent pulls, assuming that the largest amount would be found in the first round. Control is more effective with multiple pulls. We have not yet done chemical treatment which kills all plants in the area including the native plants. Pulling is selective for just the invasive Eurasian milfoil.

Membership Report - Of the 320 lakeshore property addresses, about 70 percent are members so far in 2015.

Board Member Election - Of those up for re-election, Rick Rosar, and Bob Koll are also on the pre-LID start-up board. They were re-elected until such time the LID may be approved. Kerry Kupferschmidt was also newly elected to the Lake Shamineau board. Judi Kupferschmidt is also on the pre-LID start-up board. The 2015 board members elected were Rick Rosar, Pat Held, Bob Koll and Kerry Kupferschmidt.

Prize Drawing - Prize giveaways to lucky attendees included wine from the Scandia Valley Vineyard, Pine Ridge Golf certificates, and a painting by Kerry Kupferschmidt.

Other - Bob Koll mentioned our sponsors who advertise in our newsletter, asking members to support these local businesses.

Adjourn - The meeting was adjourned 8:50 am, to be followed by the Lake Improvement District open meeting with Morrison County Commissioners.
Respectfully submitted, Sandy Williams, Secretary 🐾

meet some great people and continue Carolyn's vision of a healthier Lake Shamineau.

Welcome to new members, Paul and Carolyn Stritesky, Adam and Janet Jaskowiak, Tom and Sandra Thorn (2015), Russell Doucette, Larry and Kristy Hanson, Gary and Laurel Kratzke, Brad and Anna Squibb (2014), Troy and Misty Beckman (2013), William and Janet Minette (2012). My apology for the delay in welcoming new members and if I've missed you, please let me know.

Thank you for the generous donations from Donna and Robert Snyder and the Carlson Foundation (2014), Don

and Julianne Herman, Paul and Carolyn Stritesky, and Wendell and Donna Swanson (2015). Again, my apology for the delay in thanking you for your support.

HELP! We have more than 320 lakeshore property owners and only a handful participate in this organization in a meaningful way. Folks, we need to work together to make a difference. Please consider getting involved in some form. Don't let the fact that we've formed a LID stop your participation. The extra funds will help, but we need your ideas and participation to be successful with our lake's challenges.

Your names are published in the list below to aid in letting you know that your dues are due. Membership is voluntary. Thank you for your past participation and please keep contributing. We need money to battle these challenges and just as important, we need everyone to get involved in some way. *Many hands make light work.*

We have 320 names on our mailing list with 235 members (67%) current on their dues, 29 members due yet this year (2015 sticker), three that were due last year (2013 sticker) and 20 lapsed members (over two years without paying dues) and finally, 30 some that have never been members or aren't interested.

Have questions about your membership, signs, stickers, etc.? Email me at member5hi9@gmail.com

Email addresses! Please let us know your email address! member5hi9@gmail.com (we only have 136 email addresses out of a possible 263. Please share your email with us. We will only use it to communicate important lake association information.

We need more help in these areas: Augers, Arras, Axis and Angle. Additionally, West Pine View Blvd and Lake Shore Drive are unique areas that could use several captains. East Shamaineau is being covered by Russ Holland He needs help.

One-year memberships are \$20, or three-year memberships are \$55 due in the spring. If you didn't get

These members are up for renewal this year. Please continue your support. Thank you!

David & Mary P Adolphson
Richard & Sharon R Auger
Lynn & Kathleen Bastian
Cheryl D Belling
Gerald, Marsha, Lisa Bemboom
Alice Bollin
Lynn Bushinger
Judith Cantleberry
Todd Christianson
Lori & Chris Dahlman
Stephen & Helen C Desmarais
Russell Doucette
Earl G Edeburn
Ronald & Cindy Fenske
Gladys H Freeman
Mike Ginder
Mary Frances Goblirsch

David W & Janice C Graning
Gulland Family Revoc Trust
Donald & Linda Haavisto
Thomas R & Kathleen J Hanson
William & Judy Hendry
Paul & Dawn Hindrichs
Terry Hoffert
Michael & Melanie Hougo
Richard & Jean Jacob
Floyd & Nancy Jares
Dwayne & Pat Jensen
Randall R & Merri J Johnson
Darryl & Jill Johnston
Denis & Laverne Kalis
Daniel Lawrence Keller
Robert D & Verle A Kytort
Lynda Lee

your dues in early, send them via mail. The membership form is on the back page of the newsletter, or print one from the website. Payments by check are preferred. We are a non-profit organization and your dues are tax deductible.

Membership signs are available for an additional \$5.00. The year sticker on the sign represents when dues are due. Make sure to request year stickers when you pay your membership. Email me and I will get your sign number updated.

Note: DO NOT attach the sign to a utility pole. Utilities don't allow signs on their poles.

Membership Captains serve each area of the lake and will try to contact you should your membership be due.

- Please help us keep this great organization going, and let me know if you're interested in helping with memberships.
- East - East Shamaineau – Russ Holland (Russ could use another volunteer to help on the east side)
- East - Oak Lane – Donna Farber, thanks to Donna for volunteering
- South - Lake Shore Drive – Jen Buckentine, HELP WANTED! Great job this year Jen!
- South – Augers, Arras and Angle – NO CAPTAIN HERE, HELP WANTED! Thanks to Pam Gowan for helping here!
- South - Hillside and Axis Lane – Tom Heltemes
- South – (3000 and up) Pine View Boulevard – Bob and Cheryl Koll
- South – (2000 to 3000) Pine View Boulevard – Dale Mashuga
- West - West Shamaineau - Dan and Doris Amundson
- West - Aztec Road – Bob & Anne Ingle, Pam Gowan and Sarah Asmas
- North – Ridge Road, 18th Ave., 45th Ave., Armore, Cantleberry and East Bay – Judy Kupferschmidt (HELP WANTED)

Doug & Sheryl Malark
Wendy & David Mcdonells
John & Betty Mcguire
Robert A & Joleen J Meyer
William & Janet Minette
Richard L & Florence S Mowan
Arline Nelson
Roger & Margaret Olson
Jeff Olson
Darrell & Judith A Payne
Michael J & Laurie J Radmer
Paul M Reber
Chris & Jan Renko
Ronald Riebe
Peter & Trisha Rinzel
Gary Ross & Vaunda Lea Sather
Scandia Valley Township

Melvin & Sandra Schroeder
Michael & Shannon Schultz
Tom & Paula Schwartz
James & Betty Kisen
Nancy & Donald Shipman
Harriet Sisk
Esther Solorz
Ernest Spilman
Amy Springer
Michael Stevens
Richard & Mavis Thelen
Ron & Betty Unger
Nancy Urbanski
Cynthia Zimmerman



Lake Shamineau Association
PO Box 152
Motley, MN 56466
Website: <http://minnesotawaters.org/LakeShamineau>
Email: LakeShamineau@gmail.com

2015 Lake Shamineau Association Membership Form

Thank you for supporting your Lake Shamineau Association!

Date _____

Name _____ email _____

Mailing address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Lake Address _____



☐ Please send the newsletter via email

Membership: ☐ Property Owner \$20 (1 Year) ☐ \$55 (3 year) ☐ Associate Member \$10

\$_____ Additional Contribution for: ☐ Water Quality ☐ Wildlife ☐ Fisheries ☐ Other

☐ I would like a membership sign \$5.00



Make Checks payable to: Lake Shamineau Association
Mail to: Lake Shamineau Association, PO Box 152, Motley, MN 56466