

## Association updates

The Lake Shamineau Association canceled the May 23 spring membership meeting due to the 2020 coronavirus outbreak.

- Election of Board Members will be deferred to the next in-person meeting. Terms expired this year for Dave Graning, Randy Kevern, Don Kirchner and Sandy Williams.
- Membership Renewals see list in the spring newsletter for expiring memberships, and mail-in form on the back page.
- Because of the continuous and ongoing expenses of the various water control projects being done and being planned, the LSA Board has decided to suspend the sewer inspection reimbursement grants for now until such time when it is feasible to resume it. Association members will be notified when this program will begin again. Thanks to those who took advantage of this reimbursement plan.

#### Lake Shamineau Association Newsletter

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Please read through the newsletter for important updates, committee reports and the 2020 board meeting minutes. Spring 2019 membership meeting minutes were printed in the 2019 fall newsletter and will require approval at the next membership meeting. Also note that questions and feedback to the board are welcome at <u>LakeShamineau@gmail.com</u>.

## LSA Property Owners High-Water Impact Survey Results

The results of the 2020 Lake Shamineau Association High-Water Impact Survey have been compiled into a report available as a PDF file to view online and/or download HERE. There is also a link to the file on the Lake Shamineau Association website homepage http://minnesotawaters.org/lakeshamineau.

The report is 24 pages with data displayed in charts along with numerous comments that 132 responders submitted. The graphs and comments illustrate the wide range of damages incurred and shares the perspectives of the many property owners suffering from the high water and the heartache they are feeling for the loss of the use of their Shamineau homes and vacation properties.

One hundred and thirty-four (134) total responses were submitted. The financial impact of the high lake level includes a cumulative estimate over the past five years of \$1,743,500 (115 responses). Total dollars lost from damages and/or reduced property value were estimated to be \$10,278,950 (116 responses). Counts of properties affected due to the high water level of 133 survey responses were shoreline erosion (133), wave/wind damage (100), loss of trees (88), ice jacking (87), reduced water clarity (69), aquatic vegetation changes (63), damage to cabin or house (53), wildlife habitat destruction (47), and damage to dock (39).

Other associated property damage of 129 survey responses were landscaping (96), outbuildings (49), reduced accessibility to property (48), driveway (35), boat lift (30), boat house (30), septic system (28), well (18), watercraft (9) and no damage (8).

Actions taken in response to the high water of 128 responses were shoreline alteration (82), sandbags (64), added fill (50), aeration (48), re-grading (41), removed contents of home (33), multiple sump pumps (32), changes to property insurance (27), sump pump (23), power back-up equipment (14), trenching (14), and none (18). See the report online for more survey results.



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

#### **Association Board Members**

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#### **Volunteer Committees**

Communications: Newsletter & website-Jacquie Rognli, Sandy Williams Fishing: Rick Rosar Ice Damage & Jacking: Deryl Ramey Membership: Kim Salisbury Al Doree Water Quality: Al Doree; Bob Koll Loons & Wildlife: Diane Schroepfer

#### Membership

The membership year for the Lake Shamineau 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.

#### Donations

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

#### **Meetings**

Lake Association Membership meeting is held the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend.

#### <u>Newsletter</u>

The newsletter is published two times a year. Deadlines are April 15 & Sept15. Submissions can be sent to Sandy Williams, editor at LakeShamineau@gmail.com



## Association President's message

By Tim Swanson, Lake Shamineau Association President 2020. An optical term signifying perfect vision, in focus with all that is around us. How more opposite could this last

year have been? Destructive ice dams, expensive aeration (once again), property and shoreline devastation, social and political turmoil that threatens to tear us apart, and a global pandemic that oddly seems to bring us back together – on some strange and distorted level. In agony we have watched the trees along our shoreline slowly drown, dry up and die from the relentless rise of the perfect blue, shimmering politely while it destroys its border. The anchor tree that held our family together for generations is one of the latest victims. My father's ashes are scattered around the base of that beloved White Pine. But still... The warm breeze of a long summer's last breath is just as smooth and sweet, as it wafts across the water, carrying memories of better times, with just a glimmer of what may come, that surely must be better than what has recently been.

A good friend of mine is a pyro-forensic scientist. He figures out what causes unwanted fires. Just another kid from my blue-collar neighborhood – but the one that chased fire trucks as a boy – he grew with his passion to investigate the destructive force that fire wields. Brilliant and eccentric as hell, I once asked him (while smirking) what he has learned about fire in his fifty plus years of studying them. He immediately answered with two words: "They're Necessary". Upon further prodding, he explained that nothing can evolve without change. Fire burns down the old growth so that new life can emerge. The ashes provide the needed nutrients to fuel the seeds of evolution. And so I think it is with us.

We didn't ask for the changes we have been forced to make along the shores of our beloved lake, but you can bet that we are up for the task. With grief comes determination. With sadness comes resolve. With desperation comes unity, and unity breeds success. Mourn for your cabin, your beach and your trees, but have faith in your friends, your neighbors, and yourselves. Like the fire that destroys the past, brighter new beginnings lie within the ashes. 2

## Volunteer opportunities available to serve

- **Board Member** Terms expired in the spring for Dave Graning, Randy Kevern, Don Kirchner and Sandy Williams. The board voted to continue the terms in an acting capacity due to the pandemic. Please consider if you would like to serve on the board. Dave, Don and Sandy would like to continue to serve. The Board normally meets twice a year and communicates other times via email.
- **Communication Volunteers** Members needed to perform communications tasks. This job can be shared by several people taking on different aspects: website; advertising graphics and layout; setting up meeting audio/visual. Contact Jacquie Rognli J\_Rognli@msn.com for more information and to volunteer. 2

## **Treasurer's report**

By Pat Held, Lake Shamineau Association Treasurer

As of October 6, 2020

- Checking balance \$910.47
- Savings balance \$ 18,917.53

Expenses for all Lake Shamineau Emergency Task Force Projects \$7.465.37 [includes Ramey Pond pumping - \$5,056.53] Total donations received \$14,455 (excludes LSA match of \$5,000) Sewer inspection grants disbursed \$950 **\*** 

## A Report on activities of the Lake Shamineau Emergency Task Force

#### By Dale Williams, LSA Board Member

A group of LSA members met after the spring 2019 association meeting and expressed interest in discussing immediate actions that could be taken to address the lake's high water. Questions were asked like: Are beaver dams restricting the lake's outflow? Are ditches clogged? What about inflows to the lake? Recognizing that the LSLID was working and fully engaged in a long-term permanent pumping solution this group was interested in projects that might offer more immediate relief. The group wanted to keep the LSLID informed of its efforts but it was a separate group of motivated individuals who would have its own agenda while sharing a common goal with the LSLID to get the Lake Shamineau water level to an acceptable, sustainable level.

It was and continues to be important that the Emergency Task Force (ETF) was open to all individuals and groups seeking a solution to the high water. Diversity on the committee has led to better solutions and has resulted in more concensus which leads to better support from governing agencies.

The first project implemented was installing a siphon over a beaver dam in Cass County Lake west of Lake Lena. The LSA Board approved funds for building the siphon and ETF members did the installation. This allowed impounded water to continue on its normal pathway to Fish Trap Creek leading to the Long Prairie River. Shamineau is a part of the Long Prairie watershed. Like Fish Trap Lake and Lake Alexander, water from Lake Shamineau finds its way into the Long Prairie by way of Fish Trap Creek. Fish Trap Creek flows year-round carrying water from the Lincoln Area Lakes.

Shortly thereafter the ETF addressed the large amount of water that continued to grow south of County Road 203 between Hwy 10 and 30th Ave (just east of the Friendly Inn). There was an established ditch through this wetland which could be cleaned. Members of the ETF obtained permission from the affected landowners which led to granting permission to have the ditch cleaned. The LSA Board helped make this happen by paying for culverts in some of the affected properties. Scandia Valley Township was instrumental in moving this project forward. Again, there was widespread agreement by members of the ETF which helped influence governing agencies. After the successful ditch project ETF turned attention to the watershed area east of the ditch. Could we extend ditching one mile east to 40th Ave to capture water traveling north so that rather than flow into the lake this water would move west into the ditch? ETF has been studying the area between Lake Alexander (Co. Rd 3) and Co. Rd 203 and much of the surface water from the three sections of land bounded by Hwy 10 to the west, 203 to the north, Bugle Rd (#2) on the east and Co. Rd 3 on the south which flows north to Shamineau's inlet through the DNR Aquatic Management Area under 203 (near the snowmobile trail). Rather than have this excessive flow move into Lake Shamineau before continuing on to its eventual path to the Long Prairie River we wondered if this water might flow west before entering the inlet. We believe that much of this water used to flow south toward Lake Alexander. Because much of the area east of 30th is considered wetland and there is

no established ditch there and the Wetland Conservation Act restricts some ditching and drainage, we were not allowed to extend the ditch east. However, another option became available. We could create two temporary retention ponds at the culverts south of 203 near 40<sup>th</sup> Ave and pump from them to the ditch at 30<sup>th</sup> Ave. This project was tagged "Turn off the Faucet". Morrison County adopted the project to help move it forward and dedicated substantial funding for construction and engineering. Electric motors will move water to the ditch on 30th Ave and funds from LSA, LSLID and Scandia Valley will help cover those operating costs.

Through this whole process the ETF is mindful of being a good neighbor. These projects happen after many meetings and discussions with private landowners. These landowners are our neighbors and we thank them for their participation, for sharing their concerns and for considering design possibilities that could result in benefit to all parties. ETF wants to create solutions that are win-win for all parties. We think Lake Shamineau is a fantastic natural resource and a jewel for the entire community.

Our most recent project is the Ramey Pond Project. This is a test project to see how quickly the pond recharges itself after pumping. Ramey Pond is about 6 acres, is on the west end of the lake immediately across from Aztec Rd (202) and is bounded to the north by the golf course (the 13th hole). The LSLID helped in obtaining a temporary permit from the DNR and DOT to do controlled pumping from Ramey Pond to the ditch along Hwy 10. Water is pumped in an 8-inch pipe to the junction of Hwy 10 and Aztec Rd., then flows in the ditch about a half mile south where it enters a culvert under Hwy 10 moving into Cass County Lake on the west side of Hwy 10. This is a small project, moving a relatively small amount of water. Water that eventually gets to Fish Trap Creek will be minimal. Much of the water pumped from Ramey Pond infiltrates into the ground before it enters the south culvert at Hwy 10. Water being pumped from the pond has been filtered by the adjoining wetland and is free of Aquatic Invasive Species. We believe that the aquifer under Shamineau and Ramey Pond is the same and that the pond will see recharge from the aquifer rather quickly. The floor of the pond is sand and we think is quite water-bearing. Pumping started on September 26, so information is just coming in. So far it appears that water is coming back into the pond over an 8 hour period to replace the water we have removed over a 12 hour period.

The constant financial support for these projects has come from the Lake Shamineau Association. Last winter LSA members stepped up to a challenge presented by the LSA Board to match a \$5,000 commitment. Not only did members match the \$5,000 they tripled it! The LSA Treasurer reports that to date, since the start of the fund appeal, more than \$15,000 has been received to fund projects like these. Thank you to members and friends. The ETF intends to use these dollars wisely.

In general, there are two groups we should thank. The many volunteers who serve on the ETF- they have been meeting for a year now, usually every 1-2 weeks in meetings that last from 1-1/2 to 3 hours. More recently these are zoom meetings,

but they are planned and productive. Bob Ingle is the Chair and he has been hugely committed to successes for this group.

The other thank you goes to you, members of the LSA. Your financial support means a great deal. We know we have you as the wind in our sails and that moves us forward.

Going forward we expect to have expenses for power for these short-term projects as well as costs for materials (pipe, culverts, excavation/installation). If you wish to support additional efforts of the ETF, send your contributions to:

Lake Shamineau Association PO Box 152 Motley, MN 56466 2 Your membership dues and generous donations help make this flood mitigation work possible. THANK YOU!



## Lake Association Membership Report as of October 11, 2020 By Kim Salisbury

Fall work is always a busy time of year. I have been doing my best to get projects done and checked off my "to do" list. I do try to take a moment to enjoy the beautiful colors mother nature has given us.

This year has been challenging for so many of us, more for some than others. Our membership drive has been one of them. Since we needed to cancel our spring meeting and asking our membership captains to refrain from going door to door, our renewals are down.

It is not too late to renew your membership. We still continue to invest in many projects supporting the lake and our members. Membership forms are located on the back page of this newsletter or you can print one from the website. One-year memberships are \$20 and three yrs. for \$55. Remember, we are a non-profit organization so your dues are tax deductible.

If you have any questions or not sure you are up for renewal, please feel free to give me a call at 218-575-2097. Thank you and take care. Kim 2

## Update your contact information

The Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) has a contact list that includes current and past members as well as property owners of record. These contacts have been gathered through membership records and by members contacting the LSA with updates. Members wishing to receive the LSA Newsletter electronically have provided the LSA with email addresses.

If you have corrections to your contact information or wish to add an email address, email the LSA at <u>LakeShamineau@gmail.com</u>.

The LSA has adopted a privacy policy that limits emails to two newsletters per year or to distribute timely information that the Board deems important enough to warrant notification of members.

The LSA will never sell or rent or share a member's personal information to third parties for their use without the consent of the member. **2** 

# No swimming safety concerns were found in five water samples due to flooded septic holding tanks

In the spring of 2020 the LSA board approved paying for water testing to verify safety of swimming in the lake in areas where there might be compromised septic tanks, A.W. Research Laboratories, Inc. in Brainerd, MN did water sample testing for coliform bacteria on five lake water samples obtained on June

16, 2020. The Minnesota Department of Health indicates that a safe level of coliforms based on one sampling is 235 per 100 ml. All samples were well below that threshold. One sample taken in a flooded area within fifty feet of a compromised (flooded) septic holding tank on Lake Shore Drive measured 78 coliforms per 100 ml. A second sample off a dock on Lake Shore Drive approximately 65 feet from the compromised septic holding tank measured 35 coliforms per 100 ml. The third sample on Lake Shore Drive approximately 40 feet from a compromised septic holding tank measured 15 coliforms per 100 ml. The fourth sample was taken off a dock on the west end of the Lake on Aztec Road and measured less than one coliform per 100 ml. The fifth sample was taken at the base of the bluff in the northeast bay and measured 5 coliforms per 100 ml. All test results were well within safe limits. **2** 

## **Fishing Report**

By Bob Ingle and Rick Rosar



Here it is fall already soon to be winter. Fish are starting to put on the feedbag. Water temps are cooling. Recent water temperature mid-October was 58 degrees. Walleye are biting and have been good during this open water season. Size is good with many in the 14" to 16" range and lots of smaller fish as well, proving that there will be more good fishing in the years ahead. With the deep water on the west end of the lake we found success with bobbers off the dock in the evenings, I had one 26" Catch and Release (C&R) off my dock! My first fish of the year was a 27" C&R, nice healthy walleye. We also saw good perch bites all summer. I tend to only keep 9" perch or larger. You had to sort through them but they are plentiful.

This spring crappies were again found in the reeds near their spawning areas, and we had good success with nice 10" to 11" fish with an occasional 12" or 13"slab crappie mixed in. I've

also heard of limits being caught in August on the big weed flats.

This fall, large northern pike have been on the prowl. In September many northern 36-38" + have been reported. This is largely due to Lake Shamineau having special regulations on northern pike. Be aware that all from 24-36" must be immediately released. The possession limit is three, with only one over 36" allowed. The DNR typically will allow one larger fish to be kept as a "trophy". The smaller ones are better to eat anyways.

## Loon and Wildlife Report

By Diane Schroepfer



As I sit looking out my window at Lake Shamineau, I can tell it is fall. Where did the summer go? The red winged blackbirds, starlings, and hummingbirds have left. The chickadees, nuthatches, blue jays, and assorted woodpeckers have taken over the feeders. Squirrels are hoarding any food they can find. A few loons remain, the ducks seem to be in hiding, and the flocks of geese can be heard going south. Time to reflect on summer. The loon population seemed to be down this year. On my many trips

around the lake, I consistently saw only seven pairs. Of these pairs, I only saw 3 babies. A definite drop from previous years. I am sure the high water affected this.

The ducks and geese seemed to thrive! We had a fun time watching the many broods of ducks. Over the course of the summer we observed five broods of wood ducks, and three broods of mallards. They seemed to thrive in our marsh area and swamps made larger by the high water. Many of the ducklings survived their predators. Also, at one point we had 36 geese and all their droppings in our front yard and dock area. This lasted about a week.

Along with the ducks and geese, we observed at least four turtles laying eggs in our driveway. We protected the areas from our car, but predators had their dinner. No baby turtles were observed. We also observed spotted salamanders around the edge of our dock. A new sighting from our many years on the lake.

Besides the birds and waterfowl, we also had two does, with fawns: a set of twins and a single. It sure was fun watching them play and observe the moms being protective. A raccoon with four young also seemed to like our bird feeders.

I am sure you all had many other observations! As fall continues and winter approaches remember to keep those feeders full. If you had bird houses or wood duck houses, they need to be cleaned and new bedding added. The best time to do this is when the lake, swamp or marsh areas are still frozen. Also, winter is a great time to research and think of building a loon platform for next spring. See instructions <u>HERE</u>,  $\geq$ 

## MINUTES

#### Lake Shamineau Association (LSA) Board Meeting via emails Summer - Fall 2020 (approved 10/6/2020)

**Board members on email:** Tim Swanson, Sandy Williams, Pat Held, Bob Ingle, Jacquie Rognli, Kim Salisbury, Dale Williams, Dave Graning, Don Kirchner. Mark Frisk

Expenditures from the LSA financial accounts were proposed and voted on via emails. The following items were voted on:

#### LEGAL REVIEW FOR DRAINAGE AGREEMENT – "TURN OFF THE FAUCET" PROJECT

September 12, 2020 – Bob Ingle made a request for the LSA to provide funds to pay for a legal review of the Drainage Release for one property owner along the "Turn Off the Faucet" project drainage route. Morrison County is covering the cost of the project itself.

September 14, 2020 - President Tim Swanson counted the votes, a board majority was in favor and the motion passed. No votes were against the motion.

#### WEST END TEMPORARY PUMPING PROJECT FUND REQUEST

August 14, 2020 – Dale Williams made a motion that the LSA Board approve up to \$5000 to support the temporary West End Pumping Project (Ramey Pond). Funds to be available upon granting of the permit by DNR. Funds to be used for acquiring aluminum pipe, fuel and parts to assemble the system so as to move water from Ramey Pond to the ditch along US Highway 10. Treasurer Pat Held indicated the LSA has close to \$25,000 in all accounts at the time.

August 20, 2020 – President Tim Swanson counted the votes, a board majority was in favor and the motion passed. No votes were against the motion. Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams 2

#### Lake Shamineau Association Fall Board Meeting October 6, 2020 at 7 p.m. via Zoom online

#### Lake Shamineau Association Fall Board Meeting October 6, 2020 Online

Board members present: Bob Ingle, Pat Held, Jacquie Rognli, Dale Williams, Kim Salisbury, Mark Frisk, Sandy Williams

Board members absent: Tim Swanson, Dave Graning, Don Ogilvie

The meeting was called to order by Bob Ingle.

**Secretary Report**: Reviewed "Summer - Fall 2020 Board Minutes – Via Email". Motion was made by Jacquie to accept the secretary's report, seconded by Kim, motion was approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** As of Oct 10, \$910.47 in checking account and \$18,917.53 in savings account. High Water projects expenses were \$7,465.37 to date, of which the Ramey Pond project expenses were \$5,056. Sewer inspection grant expenses were \$950. Donations to support high water projects total \$14,455 donations (not including LSA \$5,000 match) from 40-50 donors.

Operating expenses, which are estimated to total \$15,000, for Turn Off the Faucet project to be funded by the lake association will be discussed in the future. Capital expenses for this project are to be funded by Morrison County.

Motion was made by Kim to approve the treasurer's report, Jacquie second, motion approved.

#### **Committee Reports**

a. Fishing – Bob Ingle reports that walleyes are biting and fishing has been good this summer. "westenders" fishing off their docks have caught walleyes of good eating size, crappies are plentiful and all species seeming to do well.

b. Aquatic invasive species - LID - no velligers were detected in water sampling, indicating zebra mussels are not showing up in the lake.

c. Water quality – Bob Ingle's measurement indicates water level is 2.28 ft over OHW as of October 6.

d. Membership – Renewals have been slow due to Covid. Captains have not made in person visits which usually help boost memberships. There have been 32 renewals of which eighteen are three years, twelve are one year, two are associate memberships and there are three new memberships.

e. Loons and Wildlife –Diane Schroepfer submitted the newsletter article and there will be a link added for building a loon platform for next spring nesting. There were lower numbers of loons and offspring in 2020.

f. Facebook and Communications – Sandy will have the fall newsletter ready later in October and requested information for articles. Jacquie indicated the need for volunteers with graphics experience for creating and formatting the newsletter advertisements, and with website administration experience. Sandy will administer the LSA gmail account. Jennifer Buckentine administers the LSA Facebook account.

#### **New Business**

a. Emergency Task Force update – Dale Williams reviewed the project information for the newsletter article. Bob Ingle showed photos of the Ramey Pond project, now in operation. A group of around 20 individuals installed the system. Jacquie will post a report at our web site with the article and photos.

Pat made a motion that LSA continues to fund the fuel for the Ramey Pond Project. Second by Kim. Cost is \$35 per day for fuel and is expected to run another month, pending weather and drawn down limits. Pipe and sandbags will be removed by December 1<sup>st</sup>, since the ditch then is reserved for the snowmobile club for the winter. Pat indicated a Sportsman Club may send money for one fill of the five-hundred-gallon tank. Continue request for donations. Motion passed.

b. LSLID update – Refer to LSLID website for any updates.

c. Plans for the spring 2021 LSA meeting are yet to be determined. The board continues to be in touch via email and will have their winter board meeting in late Feb or March 2021.

d. Open Board positions – Expiring terms: 2020 -Sandy Williams, Dave Graning, Don Ogilvie, Randy Kevern (resigning); 2021 – Jacquie Rognli, Pat Held. Elections to be held in 2021.

e. Officers - Dale made the motion that Board members whose terms have ended continue as acting board members in previous elected roles. Mark seconded, and the motion passed.

f. Non-profit advertising/sponsorship status – as 501c3 the LSA cannot participate in political activity. Pat had verified that our advertising income falls below the threshold of unrelated business income. Jacquie made the motion that advertisements not be in conflict with mission of the LSA. Pat seconded, and the motion passed.

#### **Old Business**

a. Septic system inspection grants program status- Pat proposed that the grant program be suspended due to funding needs for high water projects. Dale moved, Mark seconded, motion passed.

b. Fund raising – Call for more donations will be included in the newsletter.

Motion was made to adjourn by Pat, Dale seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary 2



## Floodplain Mapping Informational Session October 29th at 6 PM

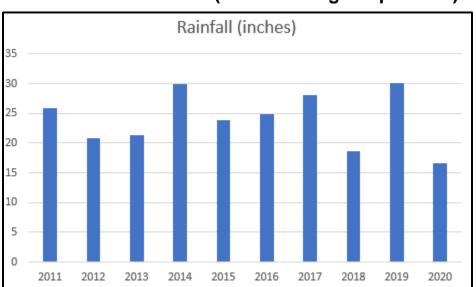
## An Informational Session will be hosted by the LSLID and Morrison County. The Informational Session will be held <u>online on October 29th at 6PM.</u> The link to the session is: <u>https://bit.ly/3dupOj3</u>. The phone number for call-in participation is <u>651-964-6838</u>; Conference ID: 655 106 894#. A link to the session will also be posted on the website.

The latest LSLID newsletter was mailed in October. The LSLID also publishes an email informational newsletter for updates. If you would like to be added to Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District electronic newsletter subscriber list, send a text to 22828 with the message LAKESHAMINEAU or send an email to LSLIDBD@gmail.com

LSLID Board meetings are open to the public. Announcement of meetings and agendas as well as minutes can be found on the LSLID website with instructions for attending electronic meetings. More details of LSLID updates and supporting documents can be viewed on their website: https://minnesotawaters.org/lakeshamineau/lid/ **\*** 

## Donations needed to continue projects to divert inflows to the lake

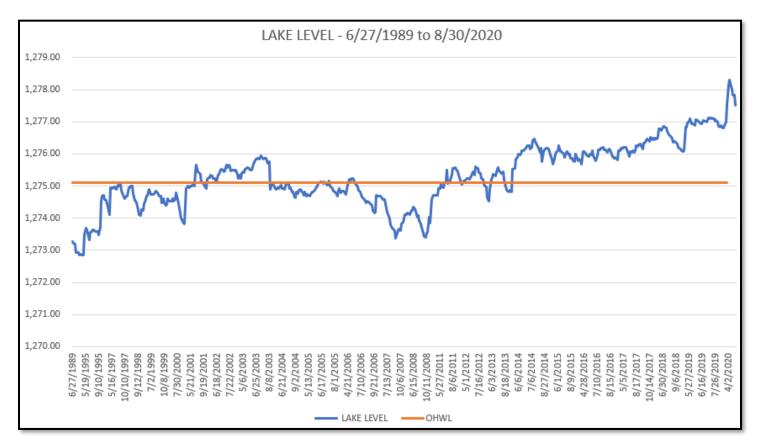
Morrison County intends to create a temporary holding area to pump water from an area near the Aquatic Management Area to the ditch ending at 30th Ave. This project we tagged "Turn off the Faucet". Electric motors would move this water in pipes to the newly cleaned out ditch on 30th Ave that flows west toward Fish Trap Creek. Funds from LSA will be needed to cover the operating costs of running the pump.



## Annual Rainfall (March through September)

Rainfall for summer of 2020 (May through September) was 18.91 inches compared to 31.01 inches for the same period in 2019.

Lake Levels



No official lake level measurements have been taken since the end of August. Unofficial measurement shows the lake level at 1277.27 feet above sea level in October, compared to 1277.52 August 30. The highest level recorded was on April 10 and was 1278.30 feet above sea level. It appears that the lake is down one foot since April, likely the effects of approximately one foot less of rain than last year and the inflows diverted into the ditch south of County Road 203. 2

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over these past many years. I wish you well, and good health during these extraordinary times.

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