

**ISLAND CHAIN OF LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES – June 8, 2013**

President Wayne Pawlak called the meeting to order at 10AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of officers was taken. All were present. The May 2013 meeting minutes were accepted as written. Treasurer Elaine Pawlak read the treasurer's report and it was accepted as read.

Wayne welcomed everyone to the meeting. Some updates were made.

- The new motor was purchased for the pontoon as discussed at the May meeting. The Lake Association had to make \$861.01 available to the Walleye Project to pay for the motor. It was suggested that since the Lake Association also uses the boat to put in and take out the buoys we might want to invest in the boat. Members were asked to consider this and we will revisit the issue at the next meeting.
- We have T-Shirts (\$10) and Polos (\$20) available. Check the web site if you are interested and let us know.
- Due to weather conditions (late ice-out) the Walleye Project did not develop this season. However, we had several new volunteers and interest is high. The plan is to try again next year.
- The Fishers, who are master gardeners, are having a Garden Walk on June 22. They live at N1835 Highway 40 and have a wonderful garden. Stop by and get some ideas and tips.
- An update was given on the Rusk County Septic Program. Elaine and Carol met with CeCe Tesky at the Rusk County Zoning Board. After some discussion both with CeCe and at the meeting it was agreed that the best thing we can do at this time is educate ourselves and our neighbors on the issue of septic systems. There are several different kinds of systems out there and we should all know what we have and where it is located and if it is working properly. Wisconsin requires that all systems be checked every three years. The counties send out reminders to those they have records on however, even if you don't get a reminder, you should check and make sure your system is in working order. When a system fails or leaches it can contaminate ground water and/or the lake. We are going to try and get some educational material from the County and make sure everyone has the information. We all have a responsibility to make sure we are being good caretakers of the lake.
- Bob Redding gave us an update on the Walleye Project. He discussed the news that the Wisconsin will be spending more money this year on walleye enhancement. Most of the money will go to the hatcheries. It is not clear yet how that will help our program. Bob is in contact with the appropriate people and stays well informed on the status of these programs. He will give us updates as they become available.
- Remember there is no minimum length limit on large and small mouth bass on our chain of lakes.
- The Bruce Ambulance EMT-First Responders were grateful to hear we were going to donate \$1000 to their equipment needs.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

- There will be a Lake Conference in Spooner on June 21st. The Lake Association sponsors 2 registration fees (\$40) if there is interest.
- The Bethany Ski Team will be at the Arrowhead Bible Camp from July 13th thru July 19th.
- We are having our annual Brat Feed at the July 13th meeting. Hope to see you all there.
- Please remember to contact your lake representative if you have questions or concerns specific to your lake
 - **Island Lake** – All Grefsheim and Mark Schmidt **Clear Lake** – Tom Creviston and Jack Amann
 - **Chain Lake** – Gerry Janke and Ron Ottum **McCann Lake** – Rollie Shadick
- Important phone numbers to keep on hand:
 - **RUSK COUNTY SHERIFF 715/532-2200** Call with any lake abuse and/or boating and jet ski issues
 - **DNR SATELLITE OFFICE LADYSMITH 715/532-3911**
 - **FORESTRY DEPARTMENT 715/532-2113** Call with boat landing issues

Door prize winners were Doug Ogden, Susan Brumburg, Carol DeLuga, Beth Prusila and Rod Stege. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted Carol DeLuga