

ISLAND CHAIN OF LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES – June 13, 2015

Vice President Mark Schmidt called the meeting to order at 10 AM. The roll call of officers was taken and all were present except the President, Karl Nordin. The May 9, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as written. Treasurer, Bea Burnap read the treasurer's report and it was accepted as read.

The following items were discussed:

- The revised By-Laws were discussed and it was agreed that the changes made by the Committee would be accepted.
 - **A motion was made by Wayne Pawlak and seconded by Ted Hakalah to accept the revised By Laws.**
 - ♣ **All agreed and the motion was passed.**

Thank you Mark Schmidt, Ted Ohmart, Bill Burnap and Mike Higgins for your work on the revisions. A clean, revised copy will be placed on the Web Site.

- The AED's owned by the Lake Association are being updated and their placement is being reviewed. We also are planning to offer a class for those who are interested. Watch the Web Site for details.
- Signage at the boat landings was discussed. Karl met with the Wildlife Restoration Assoc. (**WRA**) and they have agreed to help out with this project. Karl brought some pictures of the type of structures they build. It was agreed that the structures are well designed and fit our needs and that we should proceed with the project.
 - **A motion was made by Ralph DeLuga and seconded by Sue Ottum that we partner with the WRA to improve the signage at our boat landings as soon as possible.**
 - ♣ **All agreed and the motion was passed.**

- Buoy are being re-worked. New wraps have been order. When they arrive we will begin replacing the ones that are very worn. We will be putting a green buoy at either end of the Island Lake Channel. Green is used to mark waterways. Also some of our buoys are being damaged. The Lake Association pays for the upkeep of these buoys so if you see someone damaging them please remind them of that fact. Also if you have a spot that needs a hazard buoy please let us know. We do have a couple of extra buoys on hand.
- Please remember the No Wake regulations when passing another boat in any of the channels on our lakes. If you are within 100 ft of another boat in the channels you must slow to no wake.
- Our web site islandchainoflakes.org is under construction. Check for updates.
- We discussed making donations to Scheps (July 3) and the Higgins family (July 4th) for their beautiful fireworks.
 - **A motion was made by Bill Burnap and seconded by John Barber that we donate \$200 to each display.**
 - ♣ **All agreed and the motion was passed.**
 - **A suggestion was made that on July 4th at 1 PM we all boat around on the lakes with our boats decked out in red, white and blue and/or American flags flying. Just go out and boat around wherever you want to go for as long as you wish. Let's see how many boats we can get out there. Or if you are not boating put a flag on your dock.**

- There is a Lake Conference being held on June 25th. If you are interested in attending this conference please contact Karl or Mark. The Lake Association will pay for two people to attend the meeting.
- A member has volunteered to put together a directory of property owners. After some discussion it was decided that a Membership Committee is needed to decide how to proceed with this project. Please contact Karl or Mark if you are interested in working on this committee.
- Bill and Bea Burnap are Loon Rangers with the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute. Bill and Bea check on the loons on Clear, Chain and McCann lakes and report to the institute on their well being. They gave a great presentation on their nesting habits and the way they communicate with each other. To protect our loons we need to keep the water clean and give them their space (stay 200 ft away). For more information go to their web site at www.northland.edu/loonwatch
- The next Lake Association meeting is Saturday, July 11th. This meeting will begin at 11AM because it is our Brat Feed. Come hungry. Our speaker at the July meeting will be Jeff Scheirer, Fishery Biologist, from the Park Falls to discuss the shocking they have been doing on our lakes in the fall.

- **Important Phone Numbers**

- **Rusk County Sherriff 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 any boat landing issues**

Door prize winners were Steve Hayden, Stephanie Barber, Connie Kozlak, Dr. John Layde, Wayne Pawlak

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM. Respectfully submitted: Carol DeLuga

NOTE: The Ski Team will be staying at the Bible Camp from July 18th to July 24th.