

Boot Lake Association
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Saturday, May 6, 2006, 10:30 AM
Home of the Luckeroth's

Attendees:

Fred Luckeroth - President
Chris Luckeroth - Treasurer
Dan Simms – Secretary
Dave Kloss – Director
Barb Stecker - Director

~Minutes~

1) Treasurers report:

- Treasurer Chris Luckeroth reported that the association has \$1386.80 in the bank
- Some discussion took place that consideration should be given to spending some of the money or reducing or suspending the dues.
- No further action was taken.

2) June and August picnic plans

- Potluck, coffee, paper goods, soft drinks and beer provided
- The first picnic will be held June 11th at 1:00 PM at Judy and Jim Theisen's
- The second picnic will include the annual Boot Lake Association Membership meeting.

3) August Boot Lake Association membership meeting.

- Chris Luckeroth suggested main course be provided, others bring dish to share.
- Chris Luckeroth suggested door prizes to help bring folks to the meeting.
- For the June meeting, it was decided to give door prizes of \$25.00 Deep Woods nursery gift certificates. Chris will get 2 \$25 GC's for deep woods nursery.
- Door Prizes for the August be one each \$25 Gift Certificates for Companeros, Zorba's and Summerhill Farms.

4) Website update

- The Boot Lake Association web site has been launched. The URL is:
www.mnlakes.org/bootlake
- The Minnesota Lakes Association (now Minnesota Waters...see item #12 below) offers its member lake associations the opportunity to develop and maintain a web site for their lake association. With funding from the federal 319 Non-Point Source Pollution Program, a template has been developed to assist lake associations in creating a web site. MLA offers the hosted web site in order to promote and encourage effective communication between the members of that

lake association and to enhance communication between MLA and its member lake associations. The Boot Lake Association web site will be hosted on the Minnesota Lakes Association web site at no cost to us. This is a savings of approximately \$20 a month in addition to the cost to create a web site, which can range from \$200 on up.

-The Board of Directors would like the membership to view and use the web site and provide feedback to its content.

-Some discussion was held regarding the content of the website. Dan Simms explained what is currently on it:

- i. Home
 - ii. About Us-We are Stewards of the Lake
 - iii. Board of Directors
 - iv. Membership Information- Association Bylaws
 - v. Newsletter- 2005 - Autumn
 - vi. Lakeshore Information-Recommended Reading
- Planned additions to the site include:
- i. Sechi data
 - ii. Loon counts
 - iii. Ice in/Out data
 - iv. Past newsletters
 - v. Photographs
 - vi. Membership information
 - vii. Addition member feedback.

5) Water testing update

-Roger Stecker is heading up our Lake Associations participation in the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Citizen Lake Monitoring Program (CLMP+).

-Boot Lake is part of a select group of lakes to be monitored in 2006.

-Roger will be meeting with May 22 with MPCA personnel to be trained on collection procedures and received equipment.

-Roger will take water samples and deliver them the Hubbard County Soil and Water Conservation District office in Park Rapids.

-We look forward to the results.

6) Update on association bulletin board/signs at landing

-Chris Luckerth had expressed interest in placing some information signs at the public access at past meetings

-Chris has decided not to proceed due to recent vandalism around the area and specifically of DNR signs at the boat landing.

7) Building loon nests:

-Some other lake associations have built loon nests that have been occupied by the loons.

-We may consider building or buying some for Boot Lake. It may be a good use for some of our association funds.

-See some loon nest pictures in the April 2006 Issue of the Minnesota Waters website:

www.minnesotawaters.org/publications.html

8) Dave Kloss will research and report about current fish stocking activity by DNR.

9) Chris Luckeroth will work to provide a list of plants that tend to be deer resistant.

10) May Newsletter will be done by Fred Luckeroth

11) Coffee party update:

-June and July dates are open if anyone is interested in hosting a coffee party.

12) Minnesota Lakes Association and the Rivers Council of Minnesota merged January 1, 2006 to become Minnesota Waters. For more information, see www.minnesotawaters.org. Periodic publications are available. Go to www.minnesotawaters.org/publications.html for more information.

~Meeting Adjourned 11:40 AM ~

Submitted Friday, May 12, 2006

Dan Simms

Secretary, Boot Lake Association