

April 25, 2019, Boot Lake Association Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Fred Luckeroth, Ken Shepard, Cliff Lafreniere, Craig Nieman, Kathi Doroff, Chris Luckeroth

- Treasurer Report – Craig Nieman reported that current balance is \$1281; we have 29 current paid members

- Board member terms and any upcoming vacancies; recruit new board members

From our Bylaws:

Section 4. Term of office: A. Officers and Board Members shall serve a term of two years and shall be elected at the annual meeting by a simple majority. B. An individual may not serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office, however, a contingency may be proposed to extend the term of office pending Association approval.

August 2019 Positions Open: Ken, Vice-Chair and Cliff, Secretary

August 2020 Positions Open: Chairperson and Treasurer

August 2021 Positions Open: 1 Board member

August 2022 Positions Open: 1 Board member

- Hosts for May road pickup (Luckeroths) and August Annual Meeting (Doroffs). Board members were asked to think about ways to encourage attendance at annual meeting, e.g. door prize(s), games, ice-breakers, etc.

- Booklet: Landscaping for Wildlife and Water Quality – This is a booklet that shows how to plan and plant a diverse natural lakeshore landscape. Features information on how to restore wildlife habitat, wildflowers and clear water--preserve or restore the natural beauty that attracted you to lakeshore living. It is used by many Lake Associations in Minnesota. The Board approved the purchase of a copy to review and then possibly have several copies to loan to members for their use.

- Which organization to support: *Conservation Minnesota (CM) or Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocate (MLRA)*. Our Association is a member of Conservation Minnesota which hosts our website. However, MLRA sends us emails soliciting for membership in their organization. For now we will keep our membership with CM and monitor both organizations activities for future consideration.

- Necessity of Buoys in shallow areas – discussion of whether hazard buoys are needed for shallow reefs where boaters unfamiliar with the lake go through areas and churn up sediment and vegetation. It was decided that the Lake Association for liability reasons should not be the deciding entity on where possible buoys should be placed.

- Loon Platform Placements – Doroffs and Luckeroths will place the north end and center platforms in the same areas. Nieman will place theirs in a new location along the southwest shoreline. Get photo if you can placing the platforms or the platforms themselves so we can publicize this project.

- Craig reported that the Park Rapids Bass Club will hold one of their weekly summer league outings on Boot Lake on Thursday, June 13. The Club fishes for a couple hours in the evening. All fish are catch and release.
- Discussion if more Association Communication is needed, e.g. Nextdoor.com; Facebook page; Neighborhood Watch. The subject will be brought up at the annual meeting to get member input.
- Ken Shepard will not be able to coordinate the 4th of July Boat parade this year because he will be out of state. Our two Board members, Chris and Kathi have agreed to take on the project.