

**LAKE ALEXANDER PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
Scandia Valley Town Hall
Sunday, May 23, 2021-6:00 P.M.**

Dr. Bill Faber called the meeting to order 6:02 P.M.

Board Members Present: Dr. Bill Faber, Gene Champeau, Doug Cook, Darline Molde, Jerrid Sandstrom, Dave Schleichert, Matt Skjonsby, Alice Sunde

Secretary's Report:

Jerrid Sandstrom made a motion, seconded by Doug Cook, to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2020 Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Alice Sunde stated that, since there were no dues collected for the previous fiscal year due to the Covid pandemic, the treasury balance of \$29,593 as of August 20, 2020, is slightly lower due to several minor bills that were paid.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bogs/Water Level:

Matt Skjonsby stated that the lake level is low compared to the last two years, but history shows levels tend to remain consistent.

Aquatic Vegetation/LID

RMB Laboratories conducted a survey for Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) on May 1st. On May 17th Lake Restoration treated 20.5 acres of CLP in 4 areas for the cost of \$21,822.

Fisheries:

Gene Champeau will be in contact with Eric Altena, DNR Area Fisheries, and current information will be published in the spring newsletter. Several comments were received concerning the number of fish houses on the ice this winter, but according to the DNR, the impact on fish population is minimal due to the size of the lake.

Morrison County Land Use/Planning and Zoning:

Doug Cook will fill the chairmanship of the committee.

Lake Steward Program:

Doug Cook reported that Minnesota Lakes and Rivers is an advocate of the program. It was suggested that the property owners who have participated in and completed the shoreline restoration program be recognized. Additional publicity is needed to expand the program in order to gain more participants.

Membership:

Paid membership for 2019-2020 stands at 339.

OLD BUSINESS

Veliger Testing/Zebra Mussels:

Gene Champeau and Chuck Schiemo will be taking water samples this summer to determine the number of veligers present in our lake waters.

Secchi Disc and Chemical Monitoring:

Secchi disc readings will again be conducted by Dave Schleichert, Dale Ness and Steve Sunde in three areas of the lake to determine the clarity of the water.

Alice Sunde will order the testing jars and needed supplies from Braun Tech for testing of the run-off waters from the adjacent potato field. Dr. Bill Faber will take the water samples in April of 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Annual Meeting:

August 14th is the date selected for the 2021 Annual Meeting.

Due to the Covid pandemic, a later date than usual was sought for hopefully a larger number of attendees.

Spring Newsletter:

Doug Cook will submit articles concerning the Lake Steward Program and the Pine Bluff Development and Gene Champeau will have an informational article from Eric Altena, Area Fisheries. Deadline to submit the newsletter articles is June 10th!

Annual Membership dues will remain at \$15.00 for the 2021 fiscal year, and the notice will be included in the mailing.

Clean-Up Day:

This event was to be scheduled in 2020, but due to the pandemic, the Board postponed the Clean-up Day to **Saturday, September 18th, 2021**. Jerrid Sandstrom will be the chairman of the event with Alice Sunde's assist on obtaining vendors. More information and flyers will be forthcoming.

Pine Bluff Development:

Weyerhaeuser Cooperation is proposing development of 259 acres of natural land property. A mandatory environmental assessment worksheet is in progress which may take several months to complete, after which a 30 day public comment period will commence. A public hearing may occur at the discretion of the County Commissioners. Morrison County Planning and Zoning will review the assessment and make a recommendation to the County Commissioners regarding an Environmental Impact Statement order, over which the Commissioners have discretion.

Election of Board Members:

The nominating committee, Chairman Matt Skjonsby, Dave Schleichert and Dr. Bill Faber, will be in charge of the election process. Gene Champeau, Dave Schleichert, and Darline Molde are up for re-election. Dave Schleichert announced that he is retiring after 10 years of service on the Board.

Next Board Meeting:

Monday, June 21 is the date for a meeting and assembling the Spring Newsletter. 6:00 P, M, at the Castaway

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Darline Molde, Secretary

