

WAPOA Board Meeting

June 25, 2015

2:30 p.m.

Ideal Town Hall

Directors Present: Tom Watson, Dave Fischer, Gary Olson, Ken Neihart, Mike Winkels, Jessie Eide, Dave Topinka, Jim Brandt, Ann Schrupp, Pam Vaughan, Pat Hecker

Directors Emeriti Present: Ron Meyer, Judy Wallschlaeger, Alan Sherburne, MJ Schneider, John Forney

Others Present: Jim Schultz, Jeff Laurel, Brian Olson

Directors Excused: Fred Strohmeier, Joe Brodil

President Tom Watson called the business meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and welcomed the new directors in attendance.

Approval of Minutes:

MSC: Brandt/Schrupp to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2015 Board Meeting

Treasurer's Report:

MSC: Vaughan /Neihart to approve check register with deposits and checks # 2400-2424

MSC: Fischer/Eide to approve the 2015 Year-to Date Financial Report

Communication and Information:

Clamshell Lake Association: June meeting is tonight

Friends of Lower Hay: Nothing new to report.

Kimble Lake Association: Members were trained on how to identify veligers last Friday. They are working to set up inspection training for new volunteers. There will be a parade and fishing contest on July 4th.

Fifty Lakes Association: 50 Lakes Days is this weekend downtown.

PRWA: Ron Meyer reported the PRWA board met last night to work on their Mission and Vision statements. The CW Forage Basin Seminar was well attended. CW SWCD is looking to hire a position for the forest Management effort and PRWA administration needs will be added to job description.

Land and Waters Preservation Trust: Fund balance as of June 2 is \$146,168. The committee met and wrote up operating guidelines.

MSC: Brandt /Winkels to approve the Land & Waters Operating Guidelines with the addition in Section 6 Article 1 "to provide an annual report at the end of the fiscal year".

Executive Committee Report:

Annual Meeting: attendance was down this year. It was nice having so many business members set up displays. We reviewed the minutes for the annual meeting and we added that Rep. McNamara gave a 5 minute presentation. The minutes will be approved at next year's annual meeting.

AIS legislation: The proposal to reduce the 2014 state appropriation that provided \$10 million per year for AIS prevention and control failed.

Initiative Foundation Grant Application: We are still working on the grant application for AIS prevention.

Run for the Walleye: Dave Fischer presented a draft policy for the expenditure of Grandpa's Run for the Walleye Restricted Funds. Discussion followed.

MSC: Winkels/Schrupp to approve the Policy for the Expenditure of Grandpa's Run for the Walleye Restricted Funds with two changes. 1. Family name will be listed as Boots Buthman 2. Under typical projects... Walleye and cold water gamefish improvements.

Lake Management Planning: the next educational seminar will be held July 21, 2-4 pm at Ideal Town Hall with Heather Baird (MN DNR) & Darren Mayers (CWSWCD) talking about stormwater management approaches and options for private property owners and local governments. The last educational seminar will be held August 19, 2-4 pm at Ideal Town Hall with the presenters and subject to be determined.

MN COLA: WAPOA will host MN COLA's July 16 meeting 10-3pm, at Ideal Town Hall. Jeff Feltmann, Old Milwaukee Club, will supply box lunches at a reasonable price. Updates on the Sandpiper pipeline and land matters will be the topics covered.

Program Reviews:

Business: The Classic Wood Boat Show was a success. WAPOA helped sponsor a live broadcast from this event. WCCO radio with John Hines will also be broadcasting live from Moonlite Bay on July 3, from 9am-noon. Tom Watson will be among the many guests being interviewed.

Run for the Walleye: Bag stuffing will take place July 2, 4pm at Ideal Town Hall and the bags will be available for pick up on July 3. Registration opens at 7:00am on July 4.

Membership: Dave Topinka reported we presently have 61 business memberships (3 Stewards at \$500; 9 Sponsors at \$250 and 45 Friends at \$100). As of today we have 1026 regular members with more coming in daily.

Outreach: Nothing new to report. Ken Neihart reminded the board he will forward any information or notices he receives.

Water Quality: The three lakes that did not turn in samples for the May testing brought their May samples in frozen at the June testing. In addition to the normal tests run, calcium and PH testing was done on the samples in June.

Shoreland Restoration: Jim Brandt reported the open house at Moonlite Bay was well attended (30 people). Six people preregistered for ½ hour appointment times on June 17. Five projects were awarded.

Publicity: Pam Vaughan reported it was a very busy month filled with Ads, Articles, and Brochures. A banner with the new WAPOA logo was ordered and received. Fish rulers were given out at the annual meeting. Pam will be setting up an AIS display at the Crosslake library in July.

Newsletter: The latest issue of the newsletter will be dropped off at Lakes Printing on Monday. Unlike the spring newsletter this newsletter does not go out to everyone on the chain.

AIS: Alan Sherburne reported ACOE had secured a camp host/inspector. Plans are being worked on to have another AIS inspector class in early July. The decontamination station located ½ mile south of the dam on Hwy 3 is opened 7 days a week from 7am-9pm. LGU funds for inspectors will run out in mid-July. WAPOA will continue the program as long as we can. The county was going to go back and look at undistributed money and hopefully we will get some.

Natural Resources: The 10 year lake management plan runs out in 2016. A new plan for fisheries is being worked on. Hopefully it will be a plan that works for us.

Land Use: there is nothing new to report. Tom Watson sent a note on WAPOA's behalf to, Friends of the Headwaters, thanking them for their work regarding the Sandpiper pipeline.

Meeting adjourned: 4:45PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pat Hecker, Secretary

Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, July 9 at 9:00 am
MNCOLA meeting – Thursday July 16 at 2:30pm Ideal Town Hall
Heather Baird & Darren Mayers presentation July 21, 2-4 pm at Ideal Town Hall
July Board Meeting – Thursday, July 23, at 2:30 pm Ideal Town Hall