

ITASCA COALITION OF LAKE ASSOCIATIONS ANNUAL MEETING

July 20, 2016

Marcell Town Hall

Tom Nelson	ICOLA President/Deer Lake
Patty Gould St. Aubin	ICOLA Treasurer/Pokegama Lake
Catherine McLynn	Grand Rapids city lakes
Jim & Michelle Brauner	Turtle Lake
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John & Sue Bunnett	Turtle Lake
Stephen Long	Turtle Lake
Dave Lick	Wabana Chain of Lakes/Itasca Water Legacy Partnership
Bob & Sue Swanson	Johnson Lake
Jan Bilden	Sand/Shallow Lakes
Tom and Barb Ryan	Suomi Area Lakes
LeRoy and Mavis Johnson	Suomi Area Lakes
Doug and Elise Widen	Deer Lake
Rich Anderson	Deer Lake
Don LeWin	Deer Lake
Harold Goetzman	Jessie Lake Watershed
Steve Johnston	Three Island Lake
Bob and Helen Ahlbrecht	King Lake
Duane Oberstar	King Lake
Jeanne Cusey-Hill	North Star
Paul and Dolly Warner	Horseshoe Lake
Ron and Cathy Olsen	Horseshoe Lake
Cliff and Carole Olson	Sand Lake
Chester Fisher	White Swan Lake
Jack and Helen Adamson	Upper Prairie Lakes
Kim Yankowiak	Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)
Rachel Karlov	Soil and Water Conservation District intern
Pam Anderson	MN Pollution Control Agency
Ben Lundeen	MN Pollution Control Agency

CALL TO ORDER and INTRODUCTIONS: President Tom Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm at the Marcell Town Hall. A quorum was present with fourteen lake associations being represented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Patty G/Rich Anderson MCU

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of April 20, 2016 were approved. Patty G/Helen A. MCU

TREASURER'S REPORT: Patty Gould reported balance as of July 18, 2016 to be \$2,806.10. Invoices for 2016 may be picked up by members or they will be emailed. Patty asked that NEW OFFICERS NAMES and EMAIL addresses be provided to ICOLA so as to maintain good communications. The treasurer's report was accepted. Barb Ryan/Harold G. MCU

PRESENTATION BY MPCA ON WRAPS: Pam Anderson, Ben Lundeen and Scott Lucas provided an update on the statewide Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy which involves detailed studies on many lakes and streams in each watershed to ascertain biological diversity, water chemistry and overall general health of the aquatic ecosystems. Their assessment teams include SWCD staff. Their overall priority areas are recreation, consumption and aquatic life. More information can be obtained from pam.anderson@state.mn.us.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve memberships in Minnesota Coalition of Lake Assns \$100 and Minnesota Lakes and Rivers \$100 plus \$100 for hosting our website. Sue S/Barb R MCU

Approve reimbursement of Fair Booth expenditure \$200 by Tom Nelson. Rich A/Michelle B. MCU

Approve up to \$300 for Shoreland Stewardship Awards. Harold G./Tom Ryan MCU

Approve 2015 Accomplishments and 2016 Goals Rich A./Dolly W MCU

NEW BUSINESS:

Itasca County Fair is Aug. 17 – 22. And we have a booth inside the Commercial Building. A schedule will be emailed and volunteers are needed for 2 hour shifts Wed – Sun.

ELECTIONS:

Patty Gould St. Aubin was nominated for Treasurer and Catherine McLynn for Secretary. Motion to cast a white ballot was made by Helen A./Sue S. MCU

MEMBER ASSOCIATION REPORTS

Johnson Lake: They have 3 baby loons. Also a new AIS sign at the public access.

Suomi Area Lakes held their annual picnic at Sandy Beach and will celebrate Centennial Aug. 12-13 with dinner and festivities. New president is LeRoy Johnson assisted by his wife, Mavis. They are monitoring several zebra mussel traps in various places.

Turtle Lake annual meeting was attended by 70 people. They held 4th of July parade and picked up food and cash from docks for the Bigfork Food Shelf. They have counted 34 loons plus 6 babies. They encourage Catch and Release.

Jessie Lake: Also, have zebra mussel traps set out in Jessie, Little Jessie and Peterson lakes. They held their first 4th of July parade. Share the Lake Day was cancelled due to wet grounds.

Three Island Lake had their annual BBQ.

Pokegama Lake had 110 people at their annual meeting. They are offering well water testing kits. They welcome new landowners with a special Welcome kit including past issues of their newsletter and the book, Voices of Pokegama, and a follow up phone call. The fireworks were held. They are especially concerned with shoreline alterations standards. They strongly support AIS inspections and education efforts.

Deer Lake Frolic is Saturday, Aug. 6 at Camp Hiawatha. They monitor for curly leaf pondweed and so far have successfully eradicated it from the public access by having it pulled right away due to early detection.

King Lake held 4th of July boat parade and annual meeting. Working with SWCD. Also working to get broadband.

White Swan has no public access. They have been funding for stocking walleyes and crappies but wonder if it is effective. They are interested in having a fish survey done.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine McLynn, Secretary