

The Quiet Lakes

TEAL, LOST LAND and GHOST LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
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Minutes for September 23, 2010 Quiet Lakes Association Meeting

Time and Place: The 143rd meeting of The Teal, Lost Land and Ghost Lakes Improvement Association was held at the Spider Lake Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Dale at 7:00 pm. Thanks to the Niemi's, Witt's, Hanson's and the Clevenger's for snacks.

Roll Call: Board members Bob Dale, (President), John Hanson, (Vice-President), Gayle Little, (Membership & Newsletter), Ginny Wiklund, (Secretary), and John Gouze, (Properties/Fisheries) were present. Orlin Johnson, Treasure and Larry Koshak (Environment) were absent. Members present: Dorothy and Joe Gallina, Chris and Kay Callaway, Rhoda Nelson, Jim Imse, Connie and Dan Perritt, Shari Peterson, Rex and Barb Clevenger, Allan Niemi, Mary Witt, and Dick and Audrey Divilbliss.

Program: Vice President John Hanson introduced Steve Hawthorne from Walleyes for Northwest Wisconsin. Steve gave a short and informative presentation explaining how Walleyes for Northwest Wisconsin helps with restocking in area lakes.

John then introduced Louise Heim from Couderay Waters Regional Land Trust. Louise gave an informative presentation concerning Land Trusts and Conservation Easements.

Secretary (Wiklund): Ginny Wiklund reported no new correspondence. The July 2010 minutes were approved.

Treasure (Johnson): Orlin Johnson was absent, but Bob Dale gave the report. The current balance is \$5,057.68. From January 1, 2010 through September 23, 2010, expenses have totaled \$2,206.00. This does not include the \$100.00 yearly membership fee for the Quiet Lakes Association to join Walleyes for Northwest Wisconsin and additional buoy work. The picnic in August 2010: revenues were \$1,027.00 and expenses were \$595.00.

Membership (Little): Gayle Little reported that there are 163 members with 43 members who still owe their dues and 16 life members. Gayle will send out a reminder to members who have not paid their dues. Two new members have joined and they are: John and Jodi Sowa and Mike and Shari Johnson. Gayle is working on new member packets.

Environment (Koshak/Clevenger): Larry Koshak had to resign from his position. Bob Dale appointed Rex Clevenger to the Environmental position and he was seated and welcomed as a new board member. Bob Dale thanked Larry for his work with the Association especially concerning Invasive Species monitoring. Volunteers are now monitoring the lakes for Invasive Species. There was a suspicion of Eurasian Milfoil in Lost Land Lake. Kristi Maki, Sawyer County Invasive Specialist, came out and reported that it is not Eurasian Milfoil. Monitoring of the boat landings for Invasive Species needs to be done. Bob Dale reported that there is a state grant program available that will match funds from the Association for payment for boat landing monitoring and that there is also payment "in-kind" for invasive species monitoring done by volunteers. The Association will pursue this in 2011.

Properties/Fisheries (Gouze): John reported that he will order 4 "ice bar" buoys and the buoys that are now in place will be removed the first weekend in October. John will contact the WDNR for the results of the fish survey that was done in September. John reported that he will look into finding a way to fund walleye stocking. It will be a designated as a separate fund and voluntary. If you have any concerns regarding the large-mouth bass situation in Teal Lake, Bob Dale suggested contacting Brian Hucker, Chairman for The Town of Spider Lake. The small grills that were placed on the islands this spring are gone.

Social (Hanson): John thanked everyone who helped with the picnic. The success of the picnic is due all to the volunteers. Following is a list of the meetings for 2011. The 2011 meetings will all be on a Saturday except for the picnic which is on a Sunday. The Spring meeting will be Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 9:00 am at the Town Hall and the speaker will be Chris Cold on "extinction" and he will be bringing reptiles. The Summer meeting will be Saturday, July 23, 2011 at 9:00 am at the Town Hall and the speaker will be Gayle Little. Gayle will be presenting a program on Loons. The picnic will be Sunday, August 21, 2011 beginning at 11:00 am at Reel Livin' Resort. The Fall meeting will be Saturday, September 24, 2011 at 9:00 am at the Town hall. A speaker has not yet been chosen. Suggestions were: elk, bears, forest, and The Moose Lake Initiative. Bob Dale thanked John Hanson for all his work to make this year's picnic success.

Loon Watch (Little): Gayle reported that there was a pair of loons with one chick on Lost Land. Teal has 2 pair of loons each with two chicks. The Lynch bay loons have not been sighted with a chick. Lost Land was on a "loon census" this summer and Gayle will report on the results of the census at the spring meeting. The WDNR did not take any Osprey chicks this year and the nest on Lynch creek fell off. The Osprey nest on the throughfare was successful with two chicks. A dead eagle was found at the bottom of the nest on McNott Island but the nest near Ghost Lake raised two adolescent eagles and the nest on Lost Land raised two adolescent eagles.

Old Business: Bob Dale reported that The Town of Spider Lake is enforcing the speed limit; not the Quiet Lakes Association. The Recreational Officer has been out at least twice and has issued a few warnings. One citation for "No Wake" violation has been issued. If you have any questions, contact Brian Hucker, Chairman of The Town of Spider Lake or Pat Retzlaff, Recreational Officer for Sawyer County.

New Business: Bob Dale reported that he was contacted by John Trombello concerning snowmobile trail #21. The Forest Service and the WDNR are proposing to move snowmobile trail #21 west of Forest Road 203. The Forest Service and the WDNR will work with the homeowners involved to resolve this issue. The board decided to wait until spring to address this situation.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Wiklund, Secretary