

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Sept. 24, 2016  
Dayton Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann Wells at 8:36 am.

Present: Board Members Present: Dick Conover, Marilyn Dixon, Kay Ellis, John Hebring, Phil Peterson, Bob Underberg and Mary Ann Wells Board Members Absent: Jack Fulcher, Susan Gaastra, Margie Metzger, Sharon Peterson and Joe Udoni Guests: Dave Armstrong and Liz Stange

Approve or Amend Agenda: The agenda was amended to include The Leadership Institute Report by Phil Peterson. The minutes were then approved by the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn Dixon presented the report. There were \$3,047.95 expenditures and the checking account balance is \$16,727.15.

Executive Secretary's Report and Review: Ellis gave out a summary of her work hours. The current membership is 629 plus 16 extended memberships. There are 862 names on the list which includes co-owners. Procedures for ordering a sign and changing signs were discussed. The Sanitary District notifies Kay Ellis with the names of new people. New people who become members of The Chain O' Lakes Association have to fill out a form to obtain a sign. Bob Underberg moved that anyone who is a member and doesn't own property on the lakes be sent a letter informing them that their sign is being removed and they will get a refund for their membership. This is in accordance with the Association's by laws. Phil Peterson seconded the motion. It was passed with 1 abstaining.

Lake District Report: Hebring reported that the Lake District is working on a new grant. There will be opportunities to attend meetings so The Lake District can get credit toward this grant. John encouraged people to come to the next Lake District meeting on October 24.

Purpose of Chain Association: John Miller read the Association's Purpose from the By-laws. The Association needs to determine their role in member disputes and challenges. Attendance was discussed with a motion made and seconded that if someone misses a meeting for the second time, the Executive Committee would meet to discuss what action should be taken. Motion was not passed. It was moved, seconded and passed that the President should send out a letter to all members of the Board stressing the importance of attendance. If there is an internal complaint about a member of the Board a special meeting of the Executive Committee will be called. If another Board Member is involved in the complaint, that member cannot be involved in any decision making but can be present to speak. The board suggested that the President send a letter to Susan Gaastra and the Executive Board requesting a meeting to discuss an internal complaint.

Committees Review:

- a. Zoning: Underberg reported that a lot of permits are coming through because of zoning changes. Requirements for a new boat house, improvements in old boat houses, reduction in setbacks for new homes, and impervious surfaces were discussed.
- b. Website: The Board wants the members of the website committee to meet and decide who is going to update the site and keep it current. A "contact" tab should be added.
- c. Signs: Hebring will be putting up new signs this year. The first sign went up in June 2001 on West Miner Rd.
- d. Water Patrol: Hebring asked that his name be removed from this committee.

Kay mentioned that there are openings on some of the committees.

Member Input: Liz Stange reported that notice of this meeting was not on the website. She lives on Sunset Lake and voiced her concern about Onaway and was supportive of their positive influence on the campers.

Unfinished Business:

Onaway Update: Discussion ensued as to approaches that can be done to address the safety of skiers, the noise level for the neighborhood and what, if anything, the Board should do. A suggestion was made to have a formal presentation of the issues and challenges. A motion was made, seconded and passed to send a letter to Onaway to come to the next Board meeting to discuss the problems. One member abstained. After a discussion, it was agreed that Sheriff Hardel should be sent an invitation to the meeting.

New Business:

- a. Annual Meeting Minutes Review: Phil Peterson noted that the date for boater safety classes should read 1-1-89 birth date rule for boater safety classes. Under Executive Secretary's Report Bill Peterson should read Phil Peterson.
- b. Central Sands Water Action Coalition Update: Peterson emphasized that people should let legislators know this is an important issue for both sides.
- c. Lake Leadership Institute: The Association paid for Phil Peterson to attend this conference. Some of the topics covered were ways to increase membership in a lake organization, relationship of secchi readings to lake property values and methods of handling invasive species. The Board participated in a 20 Question Survey on Water Quality.

Next Meeting Date: December 10, 2016 8:30 AM Dayton Town Hall

At 10:40 am it was moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and approved by the Board.

Marilynn Dixon  
Secretary