

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes Association
Board Meeting Minutes
Saturday, December 10, 2016
Dayton Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Mary Ann Wells at 8:30 am.

Present: Board Members Present: Dick Conover, Marilyn Dixon, Kay Ellis, Jack Fulcher, Susan Gaastra, John Hebring, Margie Metzger, Phil Peterson, Sharon Peterson, Bob Underberg and Mary Ann Wells
Board Member Excused: Joe Udoni Guests: Bob Ellis and Capt. Todd Rasmussen

Approve or Amend Agenda: The agenda was approved.

Approve or amend September 24, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes: The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Susan Gaastra presented the report. There were \$3,047.95 expenditures and the checking account balance is \$20,025.68. Gaastra reported that in approximately 3 years the Association may need to raise membership fees. It was moved and seconded to raise the annual dues to \$35 and the 5 year membership to \$150. Motion was carried.

Executive Secretary's Report: Kay Ellis gave out a copy of the committees. Acceptance of the appointments to the committees was moved, seconded and passed. There are 631 memberships and 17 extended memberships. The Chairpersons' breakfast and Board meeting will be on May 20, 2017. Ellis is still looking for one more neighborhood chairman. The Annual membership meeting and Board meeting will be June 17, 2017. The Sign Committee completed all signs that were requested. Replacements will be worked on in the spring. An addition to the membership form, newsletter and website will be the option to receive the newsletter electronically. Since Print 'N Press is closing their Waupaca office, Ellis suggested JHL in Stevens Point for the newsletter and Chain O Lakes Litho for the Directory.

Lake District Report: Bob Ellis reported on the Lake Management Plan. The Lake District has had a good working partnership with the DNR, but the challenge of working with the consultant that the DNR has suggested needs to be worked out.

Sanitary District Report: Bob Ellis reported that the Lake District Administrator is retiring after 40 years. A woman from Iola, Julie Pahl, was hired and began on January 1. Bob Ellis reported on a proposal to build 30 homes and 2 buildings with 10-20 units in a vacant field on Butternut Lane. John Miller said the Planning Commission of Dayton Township told the representative of the developer that unless he can show guaranteed financials and a planned unit development from a developer, the Township would not entertain any building proposal. Bob Ellis projected that it would take 2-3 miles of sewer pipe and may cost up to \$2,000,000. The DNR must approve the proposal followed by the Sanitary District.

Committees Report:

- a. Water Quality: Phil Peterson presented a chart on the 70 secchi measures that were done on the Chain by 5 different individuals. Onterra did secchi tests on July 26. The average secchi reading was 12 feet. There is a dramatic change in clarity on most of the lakes on the lower chain between June and July.
- b. Shoreland Zoning: Bob Underberg reported that the loosening up of these regulations is helping the Chain economically with development.
- c. Potential Planning Development: Tabled until April Board meeting

Member Input: Bob Ellis stated that Jeff Robinson has a drone that takes pictures for a very reasonable price.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Onaway: Captain Todd Rasmussen attended as a representative from the Sheriff's Department. The invitation to attend this meeting was refused by Onaway after the Board and Sheriff Hardel contacted them. Mary Ann Wells summarized the issues of safety, noise and light and the process that was used to invite representatives from Onaway to attend the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to direct complaints that are given to the Board about the camp to the Sheriff's Department. Captain Rasmussen says that the complaints about noise are not against state statutes. Therefore the Sheriff's Department cannot do anything about the complaints. There is a general nuisance ordinance, but it involves more than noise. If it is not illegal, law enforcement cannot do anything. The Sheriff's Department will continue to monitor things involving safety.
- b. Website: Sharon Peterson will be the contact person for the website. Mary Ann will send the minutes to her. Sharon will contact Mark Polebitski about his role as the webmaster and ask Joe Udoni if he wants to continue on the committee. Phil Peterson will be on the committee if Joe Udoni does not fill that position. Committee heads can give Sharon items to be placed on the website. It was suggested that the Board get familiar with the website so they can make suggestions for improving it.
- c. Board Attendance: The attendance record should reflect the difference between absent and excused. It was suggested that the Board follow the By-laws when it comes to attendance issues.

New Business:

- a. Replacement of Executive Secretary: Kay Ellis commented on the position of Executive Secretary and how it has evolved in the 12 years she has held it. A motion was made and seconded to put an ad in a newspaper, on the website, and in e-mails to the Board for applicants for the position. The motion was approved. Kay Ellis will write up a job description for the posting this position in public places.
- b. Replacement of Secretary: The Board was asked to consider the replacing of Marilyn Dixon since she will be moving.
- c. Potential Board Nominations: The following people have been nominated for the board: Dick Conover, John Hebbing and Margie Metzger. It was suggested that a notice be put in the newsletter about openings on the Board.
- d. Dake and Miner Lake Boat Landings: John Miller reported that the County rebuilt the ramps with concrete and rocks.
- e. Internal Complaints: A motion was made and seconded that internal complaints be presented to the Board and then referred to the Executive Board who would then report back to the Board with any recommendations.

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

At 10:30 am it was moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded and approved by the Board.

Marilynn Dixon
Secretary