

**Pike Lake Chain Lakes Association, Inc.
Board of Directors
Unapproved- Meeting Minutes**

17JAN2017

Pike Lake Fire Department Hall

Meeting called to order at:

6:04pm by President Dick Mace

Statement of Quorum:

Board Members Present (11 people):

President - Dick Mace, VP- Russ Schroeder, Secretary - Ann Sloane, Treasurer -Pam Ahles, Ron Ahles, Steve Ave'Lallemant, Mike Ida, Jeff Hellenbrand, Sandy Sironi, and Manny Stein, Brian Kastner

Others Present

Jean Nelson, Newsletter Editor

Absent:

Jim Robb

Secretary's Report:

The minutes of 26JUL2016 were reviewed; on a motion by Sandy Sironi, Jean Nelson(2nd), the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The report was submitted by Pam Ahles on a motion by Sironi, Ron Ahles(2nd), it carried unanimously. Pam also announced that she had submitted a request for tax exempt status to the IRS to maintain our exempt status. She also submitted a proposed 2018 budget for future review.

Committee Reports:

Fisheries:

Russ Schroeder had nothing to report at this time.

Aquatic Invasive Species:

Sandy Sironi - In addition to boats, ice fishermen also need to be careful not to introduce invasive species with augers, tip-ups and other gear. Sandy and Rick Sironi placed a total of 12 buckets of beetles on the north end of Round Lake, in the wetland east of the old Forest Resort and near Tucker Lake. It was noted that there were a large number of invasives near Tucker Lake. Next year, Sironis intend to place more beetles in that area.

Water Quality:

Dick Mace indicated he would place the order for the water quality sensor from Hach Equipment.

Newsletter:

Jean Nelson (Newsletter editor) will email newsletter to all PLCLA members.

Facebook:

Jean Nelson and Sandy Sironi will periodically place newsletter articles in PDF form on PLCLA FaceBook page and the PLCLA website address.

Website costs:

Pam Ahles stated the new website was up and running. Currently, the site gets 5-6 hits a day. PLCLA history had been prepared by Dick Mace and Manny Stein; much of the information was contributed by records from the Bill Ave'Lallemant family and Doug Noetzell. Website costs are paid through DEC2017; the hope is the current fee of \$50 will remain the same into 2018 and 2019.

Update on annual meeting (June 3, 2017 @10am) and selection of speaker:

Steve Ave'Lallemant suggested a program related to the Fish Ladder initiative. He will ask Jeff Scherer (DNR Fish Biologist) and Sue Reincke (US Forest Fish Biologist) to create a program for the annual meeting and assist him in making the presentation at the meeting.

Russ Schroeder suggested as a future option, Mark Naniot, director/speaker from Wild Instincts Rehab in Rhinelander, WI.

Update on proposed Round Lake Fish Ladder project:

Steve Ave'Lallemant stated that the DNR and Forestry Service are interested in moving forward with the fish ladder; concern by a few PLCLA members is invasive species getting into the chain. There is the possibility of building a ladder above the dam. Steve suggested the possibility of bringing in Jeff Scherer as a project consultant. Russ Schroeder voiced concern over the purpose of building the fish ladder. If the purpose is to replenish the fish population, we have enough fish (Walleye). Steve Ave'Lallemant pointed out the hope is to replenish our Sturgeon population. Steve will reach out to the Jeff Scherer and Sue Reincke to find the scientific pros and cons of various species coming into the chain via the fish ladder. Steve also stated that we're still years away from a final decision. We still need a pre-proposal before we can get a consultant especially if we need an environmental assessment and/or potential dam modification. Members of the PLCLA will need to attend meetings to provide their concerns and support.

I-LIDS and Clean Boats/Clean Waters report/update :

After much discussion the subject was tabled to be discussed at a future meeting. At the 2011 annual meeting the matter was discussed and tabled. The decision has been made to continue educating the public about Clean Boats/Clean Waters.

Discussion of upcoming appointments, election of officers and directors at Annual Meeting:

Dick Mace (President), Russ Schroeder (Vice President), Steve Ave'Lallemant, Jeff Hellenbrand, Mike Ida and Manny Stein are up for re-election at the 2017 Annual Meeting. Decision was made to not create a nomination committee and submit the previous persons as nominees for re-election.

Any other business:

Sandy Sironi noted the PLCLA made \$325 revenue from the sweatshirt sale. One remaining sweatshirt was available and it was sold to a Board member. The recommendation is to have another sweatshirt sale in 2018.

Next meeting:

16MAY2017, 6pm at the Fire House

Annual Meeting:

03JUN2017, 10am at the Fire House.

Adjourned: Jean Nelson (motion to adjourn) , Sandy Sironi (2nd), motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Sloane, Secretary