

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

**24JUL2017**

**Pike Lake Fire Department Hall**

**Meeting called to order at:**

6:03pm by President Dick Mace

**Statement of Quorum:**

Board Members Present (9 people):

President - Dick Mace, VP- Russ Schroeder, Treasurer -Pam Ahles, Ron Ahles, Steve Ave'Lallemant, Mike Ida, Manny Stein, Sandy Sironi, Rick Sironi,

Others Present

Ed Hunter and Jack Wierzba

Absent:

Jim Robb, Ann Sloane, Jeff Hellenbrand, Brian Kastner

**Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of 03JUN2017 were put on hold until Ann Sloane returns for 17OCT2017 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The report was submitted by Pam Ahles stating \$13, 834.86 in checking account with total assets of \$18, 862.59 on a motion by, Mike Ida, Sandy Sironi (2nd), it carried unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**Fisheries:**

Russ Schroeder reported that Jeff Scheir is picking up baited hoop nets to catch catfish on the South Fork of the Flambeau starting at the dam; looking at distribution and size of the catfish.

**Fish Passage:**

Russ is concerned about catfish coming into the chain. Steve explained the weir determines the water level (put in in 1971) and that is static. In 1971 - no public input. DNR and Forest Service determined the level. Now it would be confined to a small rockfish passage. The dam itself cannot be touched. The weir can be touched but probably we would build around it or above it and the weir becomes an overflow.

Our current water levels have all been surveyed . The public will be able to comment but the Forest Service will have the final word on this project.

Mike Ida raised the question, 'Is the goal diversification and if it is , is it fiscally responsible to spend a lot of money on this project?' Steve personally thinks having fish able to move both ways is a good thing. He believes we can keep our water level and it will improve the forage base; assuming we can maintain our current summer water levels.

Feds and DNR are putting together a proposal. No money is expected from our Lake Association.

Board would like to have Jean email updated summaries to members.

**Aquatic Invasive Species:**

Rick and Sandy Sironi reported that no beetles are available this year, they will continue to cut purple loosestrife flower tops and dig out invasive plants should they be flowering.

**Water (Testing) Quality:**

Rick Sironi reported DNR came to give us an extra 'control test kit'. Next test will be 25JUL2017 with the final test in August.

**Newsletter:**

No news.

**Facebook and Website:**

Pam reported she posted DNR and Forest Service information from Russ Schroeder's email about our Fish Ladder project. She is still looking for pictures. Either Sandy or Jean will post pictures on Facebook.

**Clean Boats/Clean Waters report/update :**

Mike Ida reported that brooms and signs are posted at the Federal and State landings and Musky Jacks. He created plastic covered brochure boxes on treated 4X4s at Musky Jacks. He spent \$350 out of the \$500 budget.

**Slow - No Wake:**

Sandy reported the Slow-No Wake handout were distributed to Muskys, Idle Hour, and Moose Jaw; all establishments were very cooperative.

**Rock Hazards:**

Jim Robb is vehemently opposed to marking any rocks on our lakes. The Cost is \$144 plus \$34 for weights; that's a total cost of \$150 per marker. PLCLA would also need to purchase a permit at an added cost. There is concern about liability of marking. However, there was a civil liability exemption passed NOV2015.

After discussion of pros and cons of the buoys, the motion was made to have 'Hazard' handouts made to give to local bars, Facebook, Website, 3 Boat Launches, and email to membership. Motion was made by Sandy Sironi, Pam Ahles (2nd), motion carried.

**Other Business:**

- Comments about a reminder for our annual meeting
- Someone asked for a receipt for a membership; cancelled check should be the receipt.
- Does PLCLA have liability insurance? Yes
- Could we blacktop the Federal boat landing? Jack Wierzba will follow-up on this question.

**Next Board of Directors Meeting:**

17OCT2017 @ 6pm

**Adjourned:**

Rick Sironi(motion to adjourn) , Sandy Sironi (2nd), motion carried unanimously.

Transcribed by,  
Sandy Sironi

Respectfully submitted by,  
Ann Sloane