

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

21MAY2018

Pike Lake Fire Department Hall

Meeting called to order at:

6:00pm by Dick Mace

Statement of Quorum:

Board Members Present (7 -people):

Dick Mace- President, Ann Sloane- Secretary, Manny Stein, Russ Schroeder, Steve Ave'Lallement, Sandy Sironi, Mike Ida

Absent:

Pam Ahles, Ron Ahles, Jim Robb (deceased), Jeff Hellenbrand, Brian Kastner

Secretary's Report:

The board minutes of 06MAR2018: Motion to approve by Sandy Sironi, Mike Ida (2nd), it carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

2018 Budget: see attachment

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The reports were submitted by Pam Ahles; see attached document. Motion to accept by, Steve Ave'Lallement, Sandy Sironi (2nd), it carried unanimously.

Proposed 2019 Budget: see attachment

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1UTQrxDCOtte7_-aC5oupQzQ2hLFuEholnhAojltheZ8/edit#gid=1786745502

Discussion was had to budget \$7,000.00 for update of the Lake Management Plan, with additional grant money being requested from the DNR. Motion accepted by Sandy Sironi, Russ Schroeder (2nd), it carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Aquatic Species: Steve Ave'Lallement will take over the responsibilities for 2018/2019. Still waiting to find out if we'll be able to obtain beetles for the 2018 season.

Fisheries: Russ stated that the Park Fall DNR put out Pike nets; still awaiting reports. Spooner DNR is coming 5 days a week to perform an angler census on our chain. Steve stated that a Creel Census Clerk is on our PLCL to randomly check our chain 3 days a week at random times to count anglers on the lake at those times. This gives an estimate of pressure over the days, weeks, months, year to discover how many people are fishing our lakes, what times, species, and how many fish they've got; in other words how many and what kind/size of fish are being caught. The Creel Census Clerk is expected to interview as many anglers as possible to gain an accurate fishing census. This is a 10 to 15 year rotation of the bigger fisheries.

Discussion was made to encourage CCC to obtain more completed fishing interviews. The expectation is that the CCC should stop as many random anglers as possible. Russ will be contacting the DNR office to state the PLCLA's concern that there have been numerous missed interview opportunities. The goal for CCC session is to obtain completed angler interviews and counts.

Per email from Jeff Shreirer WI-DNR: The late ice-out had us scrambling to complete our scheduled surveys as water temperature rose quickly. Our local crew set 20 fyke nets in the Chain on the opening day of the fishing season, and our Madison crew tended the nets. We did the recapture sample by electrofishing on Monday night in Amik and Turner and on Wednesday night in Round and Pike, so we should soon have current year estimates of adult walleyes in all four lakes to compare with the goal we set in the Fishery Management Plan. The Madison crew wrestled a very large sturgeon from one of the fyke nets in Pike Lake. Perhaps it was one of the same fish our local crew captured there in 2005.

David Wenzlich is the creel clerk who will count and interview anglers on the Chain through the open water season to estimate fishing pressure, catch, and harvest. Please ask members to welcome David and provide him with the accurate information that we need to make valid estimates. David will cover the open water period, and someone else will conduct the winter creel survey through the first Sunday in March 2019. Thanks for letting him moor the creel boat at your dock.

Tribal harvest has winded down after this past weekend. Tribal members took 28,857 walleyes and 212 muskellunge throughout the Ceded Territory in 2018. In Pike Lake they took 133 of the 216 walleyes and 1 of the 7 muskies they set aside for harvest. In Round Lake they took 300 of the 301 walleye and 1 of the 7 muskies they reserved for harvest. No tribal harvest occurred in Amik and Turner lakes in 2018.

We'll return to survey bass and bluegill populations by electrofishing in all four lakes of the Chain on May 29-31 next Tuesday through Thursday. Anyone is welcome to follow us in their boat as we dip fish and then pull up along side our boomshocker to watch us process the catch. We launch at the federal landing on the west side of Round Lake just before it gets dark. But, people can usually find our lights along the shoreline.

We'll also continue our annual fall electrofishing surveys in late September or early October to evaluate walleye recruitment in Pike and Round lakes.

That's about all I have for now. I'll try to remember to forward the walleye population estimates when they're released sometime in summer.

Water (Testing) Quality: Russ stated the water quality has stayed the same.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters: Mike Ida put brooms and pamphlets at the boat landings. Noone has come forward to perform the chairmanship of this Committee.

Lake Management Plan:

***Definition:** Standardized survey that holistically looks at water quality, fish data, and state of environment for the whole lake. Having a lake management plan helps to obtain grants, gives snapshot of lake health, and insight on how to resolve lake problems.*

Kevin Gauthier, grants coordinator with the Woodruff DNR, is assisting in gaining information regarding our lake management plan to discuss what should be tested and doesn't need to be tested.

Deadline to apply for Lake Management Plan grant is December 10, 2018 with funding levels at 67% from state, 33% local.

Dick will obtain proposals from the following:

- Blue Waters Science(same company that performed our original plan in 2012)
- Whitewater Associates in Amasa, Michigan
- Many Waters

The original lake management plan was completed in 2012. Consideration is being made to create an update of our current plan.. There's the potential for grant opportunities with an updated management plan. Russ, Steve and Dick will discuss updates up to the membership at the annual meeting for a vote to include in the 2019 budget.

Fish Passage Project: Nothing to add

Election of Officers and Board Members at Annual Meeting: The Board offers the following persons as nominees to be voted upon:

Secretary- Ann Sloane

Treasurer- Bonnie Ida

4 Board Members- Manny Stein and Ron Ahles. Russ will contact Brian Kastner to confirm he is interested. Two other potential board members are Ed Hunter and TBA.

Navigation Hazards Maps: Sandy will check with printer to clarify and better organize map information. If printer is unable to complete task, Ann will work on the project. We will laminate enlarged copies of maps for the resorts/bars and kiosks at the boat landings.

Acquisition of 3 used buoys for 'slow/no-wake zones': Wisconsin Southern Railroad Co. has 3 buoys for sale; all 3 need to be refurbished. The hope is to obtain all 3 for free or inexpensively. The cost to refurbish as 'hazard and/or slow no-wake for each' is \$35 - \$50; we'll need to find someone to help refurbish each one. Discussion was had to get them for free with a not to exceed final cost at \$100. Motion made by Manny Stein, Mike Ida (2nd), it carried unanimously.

Donation in memory of Jim Robb to Fireman's Inc: Discussion was made to consider a \$50 donation to Fire Fighters Inc. Motion made by Sandy Sironi, Steve Ave'Lallemant (2nd), it carried unanimously.

Projector screen donation by Ahles and Mace: Screen will be stored in Fire Hall. Board members thanked the donors.

Annual Meeting Plans and Program:

10am, 09JUN2018 at Pike Lake Fire Hall: Ted Rulseh, writer and naturalist, will be the presenter at our annual meeting. Go to attached link to view program:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1SWwKc26cHSRGNEN3g2ZUVqVGhIZGJnMkZ5eG1MX2lwRm00/view?usp=sharing>

Meeting assignments:

Set up: 9am, Steve Ave', Mike Ida, Mike Sloane, Rick Sironi

Coffee: Sandy Sironi

Cookies: Ann Sloane, Sandy Sironi, Bonnie Ida

Water: Jeff Hellenbrand

Projector: Jeff Hellenbrand

Ballot: Dick Mace

Next Board of Directors Meeting:

30JUL2018 @6pm

Other Business: Pike Lake books and maps need to be removed from Jim Robb's home. Rick Sironi and Terry Mantor will remove books/maps to be stored at Dick Mace's home.

-Discussion made to sell Pike Lake Chain sweatshirts again for the 2018 season. Orders will be taken at the annual meeting and Fireman's Inc. Fun Day. Monies will be collected upon delivery of orders and all funds raised to be retained by PLCLA.

Adjourned:

At 7:47pm Sandy Sironi (motion to adjourn), Steve Ave'Lallemant(2nd) it carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,
Ann Sloane