

PIKE LAKE CHAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION. INC.
ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 4,2022
PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the 2022 Annual Meeting. This is a somewhat unusual event since Covid has prevented us from gathering for over two years. However, our Board has continued to meet occasionally to conduct limited business. Because Covid is waning some, we felt that we could convene again as long as we recognised that we need to continually be vigilant and act accordingly . Face masks and distancing are in order, if you personally desire, but are not mandated. It feels good to be back together again and would like to update you on a few of the activities the Board has been performing since we last met in 2019.

What comes to mind first is our deteriorating membership numbers which is likely due to the virus effects and inability to assemble. As indicated by our Treasurer's report, we have lost a significant number of paid memberships but many people may have just forgotten to renew because we have not been meeting. In any case, we want you back so please review your annual newsletter sent in January for information and application forms for membership, fill those out and send them in. Please also talk to your friends and neighbors and let them know we continue to function and would like to see them back in our membership. We also continue to search for a member to take on the Treasurer position as Bonnie Ida has asked to be relieved of that position to perform other duties in Park Falls. She has done an outstanding job as Treasurer and we will miss her services very much. However as I prepare this report I have learned our Secretary may have found a possible candidate who will be introduced at the Meeting. We hope today's meeting and program will reinvigorate your interests and participation in the continued improvements to our lake system.

Some other activities we have been involved with include discussions with the Town Board regarding updating our recreational regulations and enforcement of the same as well as improving notice of those rules. New slow 'no wake' buoys have been installed along the west shore of Pike Lake both near the channel connecting with Round Lake and where the channel enters Round Lake. In addition new buoys are located near the shoreline areas in the vicinity of Idle Hour Resort. These new buoys were placed in order to reduce speeds and wakes in near shore areas to reduce shoreline erosion which was occurring in those areas as a result of increased wave action. The town agreed to those new buoy placements and the Association covered their costs and the Town installed them and will remove them with the other buoys throughout the lake system as has been done in the past. Additionally, new and updated signage was created and installed on the Thorofare Bridge to inform lake users of the regulations now in place. Those signs were installed by the Town and paid for by the Association. The Board members continue to conduct water quality and invasive species monitoring as has been done in the past years. These activities are done by Board and citizen members and as a result, we continue to enjoy the fruits of their labor with high quality environmental attributes, although the invasive species maintenance program could use more volunteers especially with regard to controlling Purple Loosestrife. Regarding our newsletter, website and Facebook endeavors, please note that our new member responsible for those duties is Derek Dieringer who was appointed in 2021 by the Board to perform those duties and he has been doing an outstanding job of keeping us all up to date. Thank You Derek.

Hope you have a productive meeting,

Richard Mace