

**Pike Lake Chain Lakes Association, Inc.**

**June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board Meeting**

**Unapproved Board Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Pike Lake Fire Hall

**Meeting called to order:**

8am by President Mike Ida followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Statement of Quorum:**

Board Members Present (13)

President Mike Ida, Vice President Russ Schroeder, Lisa Brandt Secretary, Treasurer Lynne Clemens, Tom Birchell, Duane Baer, Jim Clemmons, Everett Sammis, Thor Gunderson, Dave Ebert, Steve Ave'Lallemant, and Derek Dieringer (via zoom)

Board Member Absent: Jeff Witon

**Lake Association Members in Attendance:** 1 and no comments were shared with the board.

**Brief review of our Lake Association & Boards Mission:**

Mike Ida provided a brief review of our Lake Association & Boards Mission. The title, Purpose of our Lake Association, was stated to also be the Mission statement. Mike Ida noted that for future Lake Association projects they should fall within the parameters of the Purpose of Our Lake Association.

Dave Ebert recommended changing in committee responsibilities the title from Native American Spearing counts to Harvest Counts. Mike Ida will make that change to the board responsibilities.

**Approval of secretary Minutes form 5/14/24 board minutes &Annual Meeting minutes 6/1:**

A motion was made by Lynne Clemens/2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Clemmens to accept these 2 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's report:**

Lynne Clemens presented the year-to-date financials and membership report. There are currently 163 members. Motion was made by Steve Ave'Lallement/2<sup>nd</sup> by Thor Gunderson. Motion carried unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**Fisheries:** Dave Ebert reported on the walleye and musky Native American harvest counts in Pike Lake and Round Lake. In Pike Lake, 110 walleyes and 1 musky were harvested. In Round Lake, 248 walleyes and 1 musky were harvested.

**Aquatic/Invasive Species:** Steve Ave'Lallement-none

**Water Quality:** Russ Schroeder reported that the water quality testing had been completed and noted that water quality was murky due to the white caps on the lake.

**Newsletter/Public Relations:** It was suggested to Derek Dieringer that we put the membership form into the membership newsletter. We increased the size of the address where the membership form is to be sent.

### **Old Business**

**Zoom Test Run:** Zoom test run for the board meeting was successful. The link will be on the PLCA FB page, stay tuned, as members and the community will be able to attend via zoom in the future. The Board meetings will also be recorded in the future.

### **Status on the Gift Project for Jack & Manny:**

Everett Sammis and Jim Brandt will be collaborating on building a bench for Jack and a bench for Manny.

### **Fishing Line Recycling Project/Loon Platform Update:**

Dave Ebert reported that the loon count was successful and is completed for the year. There were 4 successful hatchling pairs.

Jim Clemmons reported that there will be an additional fishing line recycling bin placed at Moose Jaw in the future.

### **Life Jacket Station Update for DNR Boat Landing:**

Everett Sammis reported waiting on approval for the Life Jacket station at the DNR boat loading. Once, approved Everett will build.

**Any other old business:** none

### **New Business**

#### **Feedback from Recent Fifield Town Board Meetings:**

Dave Ebert reported briefly about the town board meeting.

#### **Evaluation of Our Annual Meeting & Absentee Ballot process:**

The annual board meeting went well. The refreshments were a good idea and enjoyed by those attending. A lot of positive comments were heard about the presentation, which dealt with shoreline restoration. The ballot counting which took place in front of all those attending the meeting went well. It was suggested to have the absentee ballots counted at the same time as the member count, rather than have the absentee ballots counted ahead of the actual vote count.

It was also Suggested we lengthen the amount of time given for people to return their absentee ballots.

**Association Possible Taking Over Responsibility for Highway Clean Up:**

The board has previously talked about taking over responsibility for the highway clean and we are still waiting a response from the Fire Department, which currently has this responsibility.

**Review Survey Monkey Draft for the lake community:**

The fish passage survey was reviewed, and suggestions were made to revise the survey. The board suggested having this survey sent out to members and within the community. At our next meeting the board will review the revisions made to the survey.

**Welcome Wagon Information Packets:**

Jeff Witon has volunteered to put together welcome wagon packets and visit people who are new in the community.

**July Newsletter:**

Mike Ida reminded the board that they have approved sending 2 newsletters a year to increase communication to members. It is hoped the 2<sup>nd</sup> newsletter will go out at the end of July.

**Any other New Business:**

Tom Birchell brought forth information about the Walleye's for Tomorrow and suggested the Lake Association look into partnering with them. The board agreed to get more information about this Chapter. Tom Birchell will be inviting someone from the Chapter to come speak and provide information at the July 31<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45 am by Lynne Clemens/2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Clemmons. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Board meeting will take place on July 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Pike Lake Fire Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Brandt

