

STORMY LAKE ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING - Conover Town Hall - July 4, 1987

TO:

Secretary

Officers and Directors Present: Bob Money, Don Olson, Sandy Edwards, Estelle Christl, Art Leu, Dorothy Brust, Russ Johnson, and Bob Williams.

Directors Absent: Ken Andeen

A social time was held prior to the meeting with coffee and rolls hosted by Stella Carside and Dorothy Money.

The meeting was called to order by President, Bob Money, at 9:05 A. M.

Mr. Money asked all members and guests to introduce themselves and give their location on the lake. New owners were asked to name the property purchased in addition to location.

The minutes of the 1986 Annual Meeting and the 1986 Fall Colorama Dinner business meeting were read by the secretary. Art Leu made a motion to the accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Dick Vinecore. Approved.

The treasurer's report was given showing a beginning balance of \$78.54. Receipts were added, \$777.50 Dues, \$859.50 Colorama Dinner, and Fish Fund \$900.00, for a total of \$2,615.54. Disbursements of \$30.00 Memorials, \$60.00 Prizes, Donations \$150.00, Refreshments \$31.61, Postage, Printing & Supplies \$296.89, Fish Planting \$512.00, Entertainment \$60.00, Decorations \$57.50, and Colorama Dinner \$793.75 were deducted, leaving a balance to date of \$623.79. There is a balance of \$388.00 remaining in the Fish Fund.

A motion was made by Dick Vinecore to accept the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Bob Williams. Approved.

Russ Johnson reported that he and Bob Williams had audited the treasurer's report and found it to be correct and as Russ stated "crystal (Christl) clear".

Martha Vinecore gave a report from the nominating committee as follows:

President-Dorothy Brust
Vice President - Hugh Wurmle
Treasurer - Muriel Leu

Directors: Paul Carside
Dorothy Wallin

She also noted that these people have been contacted according to our constitution and have agreed to run if elected. Terms are two years. Bob Money asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Since there were none, nominations were closed.

The tally of the vote was given: 71 votes cast, 70 in favor to elect the slate as nominated. It was also noted that there were 82 members in attendance. Special mention was given to Dorothy Brust for being the first "women" President of the Association.

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Outgoing President, Bob Money, will continue to serve on the Board and a special tribute was given to Art Leu who will be leaving the board after 10 years of dedicated service.

A representative from PARR, Larry Greshner, reported on the many areas of concern to residents in our area resulting from the Indian Treaty Rights and the recent court rulings in that regard. He indicated that although Stormy Lake did not have the walleyes and muskies for spearing, we could be affected with gill netting due to the size of Stormy Lake as it is over 500 acres. He also indicated that sport fishing could be in jeopardy in general due to the over harvest of fish by the Indians. He recommended reading a book entitled "Don't Blame The Indians" and felt tourism would be affected in the area and restrictions would be placed on all fishing as a result by as early as next season, 1988. He went on to explain that PARR's purpose was to educate and inform the public and we should stand up and fight for our rights according to the Constitution by writing to our Congressmen reminding them of their obligation to "all" Americans. He placed the blame on judges who have given in to unreasonable demands and felt that the issue should be treated on a federal level rather than on a state level. Other points of interest mentioned were that the Indians would be allowed to commercialize the fish and deer harvest and that the lumbering and timber harvest was another economic issue to be concerned with.

Sandy Edwards gave a brief background and update of the current zoning issue for Conover. She stated that although the Ordinance was passed by majority vote in June, 1986, and approved by the County, it was not enforceable until the Redistricting Map was also approved. This map was presented at two public hearings, and due to much adverse publicity and incorrect facts, the public had many concerns and misunderstandings. The vote was taken at the Town Meeting on June 26th, 1987, and the map was voted down. She explained that the Zoning Committee is currently working on an Amendment which will be presented to the Town Board at the July 8th meeting, and that every effort will be made to amend the existing Ordinance rather than have it repealed. If repealed, Conover will be without an Ordinance and will have only the County Ordinance remaining in effect. She urged all Stormy Lake property owners to voice their opinion even if they are not allowed a vote, but particularly, all registered voters should support the Amendment when it is time to vote.

Additional comments and observations were made by Art Leu stating that less than 4% of Conover taxpayers were commercial or manufacturing and that 68% were residential. He also noted that 81% of the total property taxes were paid by residential property owners. Stormy Lake has 142 parcels, 116 of which are improved parcels. This represents only 6% of the total Conover parcels and yet totals \$145,000 in taxes. Only 9% of Stormy Lake property owners are eligible to vote.

Don Olson gave the fish stocking report. In 1986, 21,500 Brown Trout and 12,000 Rainbow were planted. The next scheduled planting is for 20,000 Brown Trout and 12,000 Rainbow.

Don Olson also reported that the low level training flights scheduled for our area have been cancelled due to the reaction and response received by area residents.

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Gil Brueckner gave an update from the fish committee and stated that publicity has brought many fisherman to our lake. He stated he had talked to the DNR regarding the controversy of the Northern which were in the lake contrary to their position that Northern will stop the trout. Their response was that "they did not know". He also stated that Walleye will not live or at least not reproduce. There seems to be a good number of smallmouth bass, however, they are all small. The DNR did give their permission last fall and it was suggested by Gil to to spend the rest of the fish fund to stock more largemouth. He also recommended putting into writing the ideas set forth at the last annual meeting in an effort to seeing some larger smallmouth bass caught.

Ed Brust suggested that he would like to see a large trash barrel at the landing in hopes that he would no longer have to clean up after the fisherman. He also stated that there is a 32"-34" Tiger Musky still in Stormy Lake waiting for someone else to catch that he caught off his dock.

Dick Vinecore is the judge of the fish contest for this year and has promised to take your picture with your trophy. George and Honey Christl will be the judges for the photo contest.

The boat parade for the 4th of July is scheduled for 4:00 P.M. Jerry and Nancy Urban have agreed to lead the parade and John and Carol Landsell will be the judges for the prize to be awarded to the best decorated boat.

Bob Money stated that although the Board had decided to postpone the new Directory because of the additional copies still on hand, the new directory would be coming out in September, 1987. Due to the hospitalization of Cliff Walin, it could be possible that there would be a slight delay.

A motion was made by Dick Vinecore to once again donate \$100.00 to the Conover Fire Department. Seconded by Irma Nebel. Approved.

A motion was made by Estelle Christl to donate \$25.00 again to the Sigurd Olson Loon Watch. Seconded by Nonette Erdman. Approved.

Bob Money stated that memorials had been given in honor of Louis Wesling and Nils Olson to the Cancer Research and Heart Association.

A special thank you was given to Muriel Leu for publishing the newsletter in the past. Dorothy Money has agreed to take over the task since Muriel will be our new Treasurer.

Clara Hedstrom has been appointed Chairperson of the Colorama Dinner, which will be September 26, 1987, at the Golden Eagle Room, Country Kitchen.

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Art Leu present outgoing President, Bob Money, with an appropriate gift--a flag with a green "Irish" background and gold "money" symbol (\$) . Thank you, Bob, for your dedication to Stormy Lake.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra J. Edwards, Secretary