

The Annual Meeting of the Stormy Lake Association was held at the Conover Town Hall on July 3, 1993.

Officers and directors present were: Jim Russell, Harriet Sopchik, Hugh Wurmle, Ken Scheffel, Peggy Rieckman, Wayne Straessle, Lois Johnson.

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Russell at 9:02 a.m.

Our thanks were expressed to Jim Hedberg for getting the room in order for our meeting.

The minutes of the 1992 Annual Meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made, seconded, and carried.

Harriet Sopchik gave the financial report which showed a beginning balance of \$2,102.79, receipts of \$2,249.30, disbursements of \$2,371.05, and ending balance of \$1,981.04. Wayne and Irene Straessle have audited the books and report them to be in good order.

Motion was made to approve the financial report and the auditors' report. Seconded and carried.

Hugh Wurmle presented the following nominations:

- President - Roger Rieckman
- Vice President - Don Heggeland
- Secretary - Lois Johnson
- Treasurer - Dorothy Brust
- Board members - Ken Scheffel and Berleen Carlton

There were no further nominations. The ballot carried by voice acclamation.

Roger Rieckman introduced the officers and board members.

Thanks were expressed to retiring officers Jim Russell, Don Olson, Harriet Sopchik and Hugh Wurmle. Jim Russell's name is being engraved on the plaque. Thanks were also expressed to Cliff Walin for his assistance in keeping the list of names and addresses up to date.

Opportunity was given for Association members to introduce themselves and tell where they are located on the lake.

Ken Scheffel spoke about the rules for jet skis, which are officially called personal watercraft. The drivers of this type of craft must follow the same rules as for boats. The new Wisconsin boating regulation pamphlet contains a complete list of rules. There are two types of personal watercraft - the stand-up type and the sit-down type. The stand-up type is not stable unless moving and at a pretty good speed. We were asked to remind guests and children about the 100 foot rule (stay at least 100 feet from another boat or watercraft). The DNR is checking registrations.

Ken Scheffel also reviewed the rules for boat shelters, which are known as berthing places for watercraft. A copy of the rules was sent out with the June, 1992 Newsletter. If you need a copy, see Jim Russell. There are seasonal and permanent boat shelters. Any new permanent shelter requires a permit. Seasonal shelters must be removed from December 1 to April 1. Property owners may have only two shelters for 100' of shoreline, and one additional shelter for an additional 50' of shoreline. Jet skis are considered the same as boats. The structure and canopy must blend into the shoreline. The key is, blend in.

Boat cover canvas (without shelter) must also blend in. For older boat shelters, owners have until 1-1-96 to comply. White boat shelters are acceptable when next to white buildings.

Question: Is this State law? Answer: Yes.

Jim Russell reported that North Twin and South Twin Lakes have received grants and have installed new boat landings. Conover Township is responsible for our boat landing. New pads have been ordered by the Township, some of which might be for Stormy Lake. One or two pads in the lake are damaged, and three are broken. Jim and Roger will talk to the Township people after July 4. Each pad costs \$45. It would cost about \$600 for 13 pads. If we bought them, the Township would install them. Does the Association want to get involved with the cost of repairing or replacing pads? Does this meeting want to give the Board the authority to put up some of the cost? The work could be done within 30 days. We would have no liability. The town has liability and they would take care of the labor cost.

Ed Brust commented that some people try to put boats in the lake without getting their boat trailer wet.

Would we increase boat traffic on the lake by making improvements? It is important to improve it for our use.

Paul Carside is of the opinion that the old concrete is good and that we could just add to the old pads. We should check on this.

Irene Straessle asked if the county has equipment for filling the hole. Could this be done periodically?

There was hope expressed that the Township would take care of the entire cost.

Motion: Nancy Wurmle moved that the Association pay up to \$1,000 for any improvement or replacement of pads, depending on what the Township would cover. Second.

Amendment was made to limit the amount to \$600. Second.

Dorothy Brust asked for a review of the options.

Jim Russell estimated the cost of 13 slabs at \$545. There used to be a slab for walking next to the landing.

1. Get the Township to replace
2. Get the Township to cover part of the cost
3. Be authorized to cover the cost of all pads

Suggestion: Use old pads to strengthen and lengthen the landing.

Vote on the amendment to the motion for a \$600 limit was carried.

Vote on the original motion for a \$1,000 limit carried.

Someone asked about the cost of a small cantilever pier and the response was that it would be expensive.

The Boat Parade is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. today. Call Rob Money.

Paul Garside has three entries so far for the Fishing Contest.

Irene Straessle reported on her activities as the Loon Watch person. Loons migrate to Florida and Texas during the winter - from fresh water to salt water. Irene has not seen any chicks on the lake. The presence of eagles and raccoons probably accounts for this. She has heard that loons are dying from lead poisoning. Chicks depend on their parents for a period of three months. Some of the reasons for fewer loons are pollution, predators, not enough fish in the lake, and increased boat traffic. Question was raised about making a man-made nesting area for them.

Nancy Wurmle commented that the north end of County S has been re-paved because many residents wrote and asked to have it done. Association members were advised to write to Jim Fisher if we want the south end of County S improved.

Roger Rieckman has quite a bit of lake association publicity available.

The Colorama Dinner will be held September 25 at Stateline Catering. The Board is considering a buffet dinner.

No new business.

Motion was made to adjourn at 10:05 a.m. Seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Johnson

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Secretary