

STORMY LAKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
July 5, 2007 Conover Community Center

The annual meeting of the Stormy Lake Association was held at the Conover Community Center at 9:00 A.M. on July 5, 2007. Refreshments were served at 8:30 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Van Swol, who welcomed everyone. The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by John Gantz.

President Ron Van Swol introduced the SLA Board officers and directors.

Vice President – Sue Samuelson
Secretary – Mary Dahms
Treasurer – Berleen Carlton
Past President – Lois Balk
Director – Shirley Priefer
Director – Joy Muchlinski
Director – Brad Kemp (absent)

Also introduced, were Rex and Bill Belgium who were the horses that pulled the Stormy Lake float yesterday. A thanks went out to Bob Kemp, Georgene Van Swol, Don Hennessy, and various grandkids that made it possible.

Member Introduction: those in attendance introduced themselves by including their location on the lake and the year they first came to Stormy.

Seventy-eight members were in attendance.

Sign-up opportunities were announced:

Dues, Ballots, and Membership – Berleen Carlton, treasurer.

Directories and Nametags – Joy Muchlinski

Corrections to the 2006 directory are available. Directories will no longer be forwarded so accurate addresses are needed. Don Hennessy is taking over the directory job.

Colorama – Sue Samuelson

Scheduled for September 22, at Riverstone in Eagle River.

History Book – Nancy Wurmleec

Nancy gave an update on the history book. Only 33 of 131 histories have been completed so participation was encouraged.

Refreshments – Thanks go to Don Muchlinski, Georgene Van Swol and Shirley Priefer.

Minutes of the 2006 Annual Meeting: Reading of the minutes was dispensed with since copies had been mailed to the membership and was available at the meeting. There were no corrections.

Condolences: A moment of silence was observed for the following deaths. Sam Chapman, Irma Nebel, and Tony Sopchik.

Financial Report: Treasurer Berleen Carlton gave the following financial report. The year began with a balance of \$2,356.18 in checking and a CD of \$1,145.24. Including receipts and disbursements the current balance is \$2,435.16. Dues continue to be collected for the 2007-08 year. SLA will continue to make the same donations as in the past to the various community groups. No questions or discussion.

Lake Quality Report: Roger Rieckman reports that Stormy Lake continues to be one of the clearest lakes in Wisconsin. The last reading showed a clarity reading of 30 feet. There is no evidence of any invasive species or crayfish. We were reminded to continue to keep our boats clean and free of any weeds from other lakes. Mike Wenzel informed us that not only do we need to wash our boats, but also we need to keep our water skis, life jackets, and other objects that get multiple lake use clean.

Fish Report: 13,050 Brown Trout were stocked. The Small Mouth Bass are healthy. Mike Wenzel informed us of a potential threat to our lake called the VHS fish virus. This virus has not been detected in Northern Wisconsin, but it is a very serious and hard to control disease. Much is still being learned about the prevention and treatment of this virus, and we are encouraged to be vigilant about protecting our lake. On June 10, the Milwaukee Journal gave Stormy Lake some unwanted press about fishing on our lake. Many errors were noticed in the article and luckily we have not seen an increase in usage.

Various residents shared there have been sightings of geese, bear, otter, fox and loons.

4th of July activities: The following activities are planned for today, July 5th.

1:30 boat parade

2:30 sail boat regatta

3:30 kayak and pedal boat races- have been canceled

Stormy Lake was represented in the Conover parade yesterday with a horse drawn float.

OLD BUSINESS

A big thank you goes to Mark Moore for working with the Town of Conover on making the much needed improvements on our boat landing. Sue Samuelson will send a note of thanks to Conover.

Jack Pines continue to be under threat from the bud worm. Many residents have removed all Jack Pines from their property on the advice of the DNR. Nancy Wurmlee reported seeing the worm on her young Red and White Pines.

The water level of Stormy is very low. Some believe it is a cycle and have seen it this low in years past.

NEW BUSINESS

All were encouraged to attend the pancake breakfast in Conover to help raise funds for the volunteer fire department. They are trying to raise money to buy an EKG machine for the ambulance.

Burning permit rules have changed and are more restrictive. You must call an 800 number before you burn each day. The rules are on the permit, so please read.

Don Hennessy is looking for any contacts to help get high speed internet access to Stormy Lake. Cliff Anderson told us the provider will change within the year.

Mike Wenholz has the updated guidelines for shoreline development. Anyone can contact him for more information.

Election of Officers: Ron read the slate of officers and directors for next year's SLA board. The following was voted on and approved:

President – Sue Samuelson

Vice President – Mark Moore

Secretary – Mary Dahms

Treasurer – Berleen Carlton

Directors – Cliff Anderson, Don Olson, Shirley Priefer and Don Randall

Ron Van Swol turned over the podium to Sue Samuelson and Lois Balk thanked Ron for his service and presented him with the SLA President's Plaque.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Mary Dahms, Secretary