

GLSA Board Meeting
Saturday, April 4th 2020
Conference Call

President Russ Fortner called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

Present were:

Russ Fortner (I)
Steve Hoiem (II)
Lisa Peery (III)
Steph Schaunaman (I)
Blaine Barkley (II)
Jerry Euteneuer (II)
Tysann Forsman (II)
Jim Gray (I)
~~Chris Hector (III)~~
Lorie Herman (III)
~~Stephani Lind (III)~~
Jim Maciej (I)
Mike McNellis (III)
~~Rick Phipps (III)~~
Keith Schaunaman (I)

Guests - Mark Struble

Wakeboarding\Boating Education

Mark Struble was invited to have a discussion on the wake restrictions and boating guidelines. Mark reached out to many of the Wake boat owners on the lake to help with education and concerns about the high water and 200 ft wake limits. We all want to be part of the solution. Education will be key as there is nothing legally that can be done. Jerry E. has a contact for some education material. It was voiced by many board members that we are seeing most of the violators coming from Jet SKI's, pontoons and speed boats. That the Wake boats are staying in the larger middle part of the lake. Looking at ways on how to educate boaters on the wake limits. It may be possible to have the inspectors at the landing distribute a map showing the 200 ft areas and giving a few minutes description. We would need permission to do this. It was asked if we could place a sign at the landing and it was mentioned how difficult it is to get DNR permission to add signs, etc at the landing. There is currently a bill alive and being worked on for a 200 ft wake limit. We are noticing more boats on the lake in the last couple of years. It may be possible to get more specific numbers from the inspections.

Treasurer's Report - Steve

Report was emailed to the board members for review. Due to the Covid-19 virus, we are still unsure of the status of our annual meeting, golf tournament, 4th of July parade, annual picnic and Fireworks.

Steve rolled over some CD's

Lisa and Vicki created a Membership Dues letter. This will be sent to the Advocate to be sent out in the next few weeks.

AIS - not treated for CL in the last few years. If we are allowed to treat the 22 acres it will be about \$12,000

Secretary's Report - Steph

Nothing for review, as this is the first meeting.

Will be looking for articles for the Loon Calls by May 1st.

Mark Struble volunteered to write an article on boating education

Picnic

We are still looking to find someone to take over the Picnic planning. Lorie has been helping with some of this. Camp Chi Rho has been reserved for Aug 15th. We need to find out what the policy is if we are unable to hold the picnic due to Covid-19 from the camp.

AIS Update - Blaine

We have applied for reimbursement from treatments. We should be eligible for \$4,000 for SSW treatment which is the most you can get. We are looking to treat 22 acres for Curly Leaf at ~\$12,000. We will be submitting an application for East and West Sylvania, 2 lakes. We may be able to treat more areas as we are 2 lakes. We will have a lake survey in the Spring but we would like to do these surveys in the Fall when the weeds are more noticeable and will give us better data and treatments. We would also like to take some water samples closer to shore. We do not have Dr Rodgers anymore as he is retired. But one of his students is now a professor at Mankato we can reach out to.

Lake Water Levels - Blaine

Jim G and Blaine have been talking to the state hydrologist on water levels. Water levels will continue to be high. Levels are high all over and Sylvania drains into the Crow River which is also high. Draining Sylvania would only cause more issues downstream.

Jim M is attending some meetings at French Lake to discuss the culverts.

Motion for meeting adjourned made by Jerry, 2nd by Lisa. Meeting ended at 10:19am.