Town Lake Committee Pending Approval Minutes of July 20, 2016

A. Call to Order
B. Open Meeting Statement
   Elaine Orstead recognized we had a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:01am.
C. Roll Call and Welcome
   Members present: Tom Achtor, Roy Bodo, John Dean, Charlene DeWald, Roberta Gast, Pat Hayes, Kay Hoff, Kris LaMarche, Elaine Orstead, Norm Wetzel
   Guests: Scott Harrod, Fred Harrod
D. Approval of Agenda
   Kris LaMarche made a motion to approve the agenda. John Dean seconded. Motion passed.
E. Approval of Minutes from June 15, 2016 meeting
   Pat Hayes made a motion to accept the June minutes. John Dean seconded. Motion passed.
F. Public Comments
   Scott Harrod mentioned that the link to the Town Lakes Committee is gone from the town website. Norm will look into this. Fred Harrod commented that the swimmer’s itch program at the casino was very good and he thanked the TLC for offering this event.
   Cathy Higley is unable to attend this meeting.
G. Discussion/Action on Agenda Items
   1. Presentation of Financial Report
      Norm mentioned we have spent $12.40 so far this year. Money was also spent for the presentation at the White Sand Lake picnic in July. There was discussion about money that is usually spent for the 4th of July float which we did not do this summer, since John Bartosz has not around to help. Lakes Fest is also a good time to pass out information. Tom Achtor would like to help with Public relations next year.
   2. Presentation of Budget for 2017
We reviewed the Budget of 2016 and will possibly approve the same items and amount for 2017 at our next meeting. See 2016 Budget handout.

3. Action Team Re-Organization and Activities

We looked at the town Lakes Committee Action Team members from our June 17, 2015 sheet and updated the members on each team.

They are:

a. Water craft Inspection

Charlene DeWald, Kris LaMarche, Elaine Orstead, Leann White and Pat Hayes

b. Lake Monitoring

Roy Bodo, Georgine Brown, John Dean, Pat Hayes and Tom Achtor

Sandy Wickman plans to talk to Tom Achtors lake association.

We have a spiny water flea net and a D.O. monitor

c. Purple loosestrife No action team now. Roberta does not have help with this. McNaughton has plants if we need them.

d. Public Realties

Charlene DeWald, Tom Achtor, Kris LaMarche, Pat Hayes and Leann White

There was a suggestion that we all write an article and send to the president of different lake associations next May or June. We would list our meeting times and write about our action team activities. Charlene will be in charge of this newsletter. Charlene will look into a grant for printing expenses.
e. Planning  Elaine mentioned we will discuss the activities of action teams at our next meeting. There was discussion to come early next meeting, August 17, 2016, to meet up with our action teams before our regular meeting.

f. Bear River Management Plan  We will not have an action team for this. Norm mentioned that the DNR is reviewing the Bear River plan. They are looking at the science aspect of it. The Lac du Flambeau Tribal department is using the Bear River plan. Norm mentioned that some if the information is becoming outdated.

g. Activities for 2017  Action teams. Discussion about Public Relations on writing more articles for the paper on what we are doing. Contact water rental businesses and remind them to clean equipment before it goes into another body of water. Was suggested that lakes fest and 4th of July expenses be combined into the Public Relations budget.

4. Friend of Lakes Letter  Pat Hayes will look into this.

5. TLC Self Assessment  Pat Hayes handed out a self assessment report from the June 15, 2016 meeting. Pat and Norm discussed the report. Pat will give us another report at our next meeting.

   About 75 people attended. More than expected. Pat G., the presenter of the workshop plans to continue to work on this issue.

H. Tribal Report
   Roberta read a letter from Celeste Hockings saying that “We will be working on a permit for removal of aquatic animals from the shorelines, in response to the Swimmer’s Itch workshop.”

I. Letters and Communications
   1. The Wildlife center plans to go out to conduct a Bat study. They will go out on Norm’s boat. Date to be announced. It will be at night.
   2. This is Norm’s last TLC meeting. He is busy with other activities. Mel will fill his spot on the committee.
   Roberta showed us a plaque from the LDF Tribal department given to the TLC in thanks for all our efforts.
Elaine will call Matt Gaulke and Pat will contact him also to discuss any issues and keep in communication with him. Tom Achtor mentioned that he had 28 people come to the Sugar Bush lake meeting. They have formed several committees.

Next Meeting

J. Next meeting August 17, 2016  10:00am  LDF town hall
K. Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 11:45a.m.  Pat Hayes made a motion, seconded by Roy Bodo.

Minutes by Kris LaMarche