

Chairman, Norm Wetzel called the meeting to order at 1000 am in the LdF Town Hall and recognized compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call & Welcome

G Brown, Sec'y called roll. Members present included: John Bartosz, Georgine Brown, John Dean, Charlene DeWald, Joan Fahning, Roberta Gast, Gerald Gorski, Bryan Hoover, Rob Milburn, Elaine Orstead, Mike Rutzen, Gretchen Watkins, Norm Wetzel. There were no guests.

The Agenda was approved as presented by voice vote following a motion to approve by R Milburn and second by J Bartosz.

The minutes of the April 18, 2012 meeting were approved as presented by voice vote following a motion to approve by R Milburn, with a second by E Orstead.

Public Comments

There were no public comments

Financial Report:

The Expense Report and Donation Report were presented and reviewed. As of May 12, the TLC spent \$524.35. As of May 9, donations amounted to \$3,076.07.

**ACTION TEAM REPORTS**

Lake Monitoring:

Chair Wetzel distributed packets to members of the lake Monitoring Action Team.

G Watkins reports on the Lake Levels planning. Gauges are ready to be set on 7 – 10 lakes. Volunteers gather data and send to her. Below is a list of volunteer monitors:

Flambeau Lake	Tribal Natural Resources
Little Crawling Stone	E Dobrinski
Fence	C DeWald
White Sand	J Fahning
Squaw	any interested person/volunteer
Little Trout	any interested person/volunteer
Pokegama	any interested person/volunteer
Gunlock	E Orstead
Long Interlaken	any interested person/volunteer

G Watkins reported on plans for the upcoming Shoreline Sweep.

Lake Steward:

N Wetzel indicated that the first lake Steward Bulletin for the new season will be issued soon.

Planning:

As requested, an AIS refresher course will be held at the Town Hall on June 2, 2012 at 10:00. Please tell interested people to call the Town Hall to register.

The Annual Lakeshore Cleanup will be held June 8, 2012 from 0800 to 1200 noon. Registration begins at 0800. Pickup trucks will be available at the campground landing for dumping on Hwy H. No Tires. Any interested people may call Tribal Natural Resources to register as well. A picnic will be held at noon, bring a dish. This year there will be a raffle. Participants are reminded to look for invasives during this time.

Surveys for the *Bear River Watershed Comprehensive Lake Management Plan* will be sent out in the middle of June.

To give an introduction to the process for writing the Lake Management Plan, two public meetings have been set up to be held at the LdF Public Grade School on the following dates:

July 11, 2012, from 1000 to 1100 am

July 12, 2012, from 7 to 8 pm

N Wetzel noted the TLC will submit two more grant applications to the WDNR related to the process for writing the *Bear River Watershed Comprehensive Lake Management Plan*. He also reminds us to look ahead at next year's planning, review the Standing Rules and the Rapid Response Plan for suggestions.

Public Relations:

Volunteers are needed to help set up the TLC display at this year's Lakes Fest. G Brown, G Gorski, J Fahning & E Orstead volunteered to assist this year.

C Dewald and J Bartosz will again design a float for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

N Wetzel introduced a request from Ted Ritter to distribute "Ice Your Catch" posters being provided by the WDNR. The Public relations Action Team will distribute the posters when it distributes its informational packets throughout Lac du Flambeau. The team was advised to limit its work to Lac du Flambeau.

Purple Loose Strife:

R Gast reported on the work done thus far with this project. Plants were dug up by TLC volunteers and students from the LdF Grade school assisted in potting over 80 plants. The plants were then netted and set up in the pools at the Strawberry Farm. There are a total of 164 PLS plants at this time. The beetles will be planted when the plants are big enough. A watering schedule was set up as follows:

May 13 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	G Gorski	June 17 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	G Gorski
May 20 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	J Fahning	June 24 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	J Fahning
May 27 <sup>th</sup> – June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	G Brown	June 31 <sup>st</sup> – July 7 <sup>th</sup>	C DeWald
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	R Gast	July 8 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	R Gast
June 10 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup>	E Orstead		

J Bartosz asks if Yellow Loosestrife may become an issue and if the beetles will eat these invasives as well. The answer is unclear at this time.

Watercraft Inspection:

R Milburn reports on the use of the new Watercraft Inspection form. Watercraft inspectors feel that the form fails to meet the main purpose of 'protecting the lakes'. There are apparent problems with data entry. He suggests that a summary be printed to the backside to summarize the hours used at a particular site. N Wetzel will draft up a Summary for this purpose. Discussion was held on the processing of the forms. R Milburn will collect and enter the data into the SWIMS program. The forms will be brought to the town hall (TLC bin on top). R Gast will then enter into our database before storing them. This process is also to be used for Lake Monitoring as well. Discussion held about building a Volunteer list and incentives to attract volunteers for inspections at landings. Watercraft information bins need to be disseminated to the inspectors.

A Clean Boats/Clean Waters forum will be set up later this month by Ted Ritter of Vilas County. N Wetzel also displays a new poster relating to icing your fish catch. These posters will be distributed wherever ice is sold. It is suggested that a copy of this poster be added into the information packets in the Watercraft inspector's bins.

R Milburn stated that the Action Team will have the landings ready by the Memorial Day weekend.

Tribal Report:

G Watkins reminded everyone of the Lakeshore Cleanup Day and Lakes Fest.

Vilas County AIS Partnership Report:

N Wetzel reported on a request from Vilas County (Mariquita Sheehan) to support a grant application for the Good Wood Project. He passed out a letter of support he submitted to the WDNR.

The next TLC meeting will be held on June 20, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 1135 by voice vote with motion to adjourn by J Bartosz and second by R Milburn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Georgine Brown, Secretary  
Norm Wetzel, Chair

May 20, 2012