

Chairman, Norm Wetzel called the meeting to order at 1001 am in the LdF Town Hall and recognized compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Secretary GBrown called roll. Members present included: John Bartosz, Georgine Brown, John Dean, Joan Fahning, Roberta Gast, Bryan Hoover, Rob Milburn, Mike Rutzen, Gretchen Watkins, Norm Wetzel. Guests include Donna Roche, Kris LaMarche, Tom Vales, Craig Turk and Gerry Brown.

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

The minutes of the September 19th meeting were approved by voice vote, with a motion to approve by R Milburn seconded by J Fahning.

Donna Roche reports on the status of the Purple Loosestrife. The conditions this year favored the growth of PLS. She emphasized that the beetles are used to control the growth, not eliminate. Some of the host plants rooted and spread. She reports that Brock Woods of WI DNR shared another possible solution, that being a PLS root weevil. The goal next spring will be to pot 200 host plants and begin the process earlier in the season. More volunteers are needed for this Action Team project.

The Expense and Donation Reports were handed out and discussed. The highest expense thus far has been the survey. 30% of the surveys were returned. As of this date, all data has been entered by volunteer help. After the data is put into graphs we should have the finished project by November. New focus group discussions will be held in January detailing the survey results. A presentation to the TLC will be given in April.

A note will be written to the Town Board with the new member recommendations.

Watercraft Inspection & Lake Monitoring Reports – A discussion was held on the information provided from the forms. The 'Summary' is written by lake & the person reporting. The Report summarizes Secchi trends by lake. The forms are kept here. It is important for volunteers to total the columns (min/hrs). It is suggested that educational sessions will be helpful to keep all volunteers in-line with what needs to be entered for a complete and accurate record of data.

Lake Stewardship – A \$3,000 DNR grant for developing mapping of 10 lakes was approved. Using Point Intercept data, six lakes are now mapped and will be put into a map projection. A Grant application for the Lake Steward Program is being worked on for submission in early November.

Tribal Report – All water depth gauges will be pulled out. Low water levels are noted due to the high temperatures causing surface water evaporation.

Congratulations to Joan Fahning on receiving a Blue Heron Award.
J Bartoz thanks the Lakeland Times for its increased coverage on AIS.

The meeting was adjourned at 1055am by voice vote following motion to adjourn by J Bartosz, second by R Gast.
Respectfully submitted,

September 5, 2011

Georgine Brown