

CLPA annual meeting 2013

Date: May 25, 2013

Location: Round Lake Park Shelter

Introductions: **Dennis Thornton** welcomed all members as well as CLPA Board members to the meeting. Guests included Town Chairman **Alvin Bartz**, Supervisor **Harold Polzin** and County Board members **John Ainsworth** and **Bonnie Olson**.

Business: Minutes from last year's meeting were read and approved on motions by **Esther Letven** and **Judy Simon**.

Treasurer's report was given by **Francie West** who explained how money was raised last year from the Golf Outing, Art Fair and raffle. Most of the money for lake action comes from DNR grants that are applied for by Francie and the town. The Board is seeking new avenues of donations by pursuing IRS status as a 501 (c)(3) (still in process). The Treasurer's report was accepted on motion and second from **Roger Heitpas** and **Dave Rosenfeldt**.

Election: Three CLPA Board members were up for re-election: **Carl Bruggink** (stepping down), **Dick Thurow** and **Joe Mass**. Nominations asked for: **Dave Rosenfeldt**, **Dick Thurow** and **Joe Mass** were nominated. Nominations closed and seconded by **Esther Letven** and **Carl Bruggink**. Unanimous election for Dave, Dick and Joe.

Tribute: **Carl Bruggink** stepped down this year after serving 12 years as a Board member of the Lake Association. Carl was given a plaque from the Board and hearty applause from the membership as thanks for his many years of hard work and faithful service.

Guest report: **Jon Motquin** reported on the lakes survey and report he's written on invasive species in Shawano County. Jon has also developed a Shawano County Strategic Plan for Invasive Species that he will be presenting to the County Board. CLPA and Belle Plaine as well as many other lake groups in Shawano County participated in this planning process.

Shoreline Restoration: **Kery Kafka** reported that the Rain Garden that was planted at the Round Lake boat landing has plants coming up already. She said there may not be any new shorelines restored this year due to the lake levels. There are beautiful bound books available to borrow if you are interested in seeing some of the shoreline restoration projects that have been completed on our lake properties.

Welcoming Committee: **Lisa Dolinar** reported that the Welcoming Committee is organizing packets to hand out to new lake residents. Please remind your neighbors and friends to join the Lake Association.

Guest report: DNR Warden **Mark Schraufnagel** is now the Clintonville warden and has primary responsibility

for the Cloverleaf Lakes area, as well as northern Waupaca County. There were many questions for Mark on deer, bear and wolf hunting. UTV, ATV, Gator laws require registration and licensing of these vehicles. None of these vehicles are allowed on local roads. Mark will be handing out tickets for violations this year.

Invasive Species: **Russ Kafka** talked about the lake treatments that are being done this year to eradicate Eurasian Water Milfoil. Over the next week, Lake and Pond Solutions will treat over 65 acres in Pine Lake and 1 acre in Grass Lake. Lake Association volunteers will go out over the coming weeks to measure the disbursement of the chemicals. **Denny Nodolf** is heading up the teams of volunteers who will collect these samples and send them on to be analyzed. The chemical treatment includes 2-4-D which is not dangerous to humans in diluted amounts but can kill broadleaf plants in your yard for a few weeks. Francie West handed out the report we received from the DNR on the most recent fyke netting and electro-fishing shock method counts for fish in our lakes. There will be a full report from the DNR in the fall.

Boat Monitoring: **Joe Mass** introduced our new boat monitor, **Brittany Novak**. We receive grant money to pay some of the monitor's salary and as usual will have to submit reports to the state.

Water Quality testing: **Dick Thurow** sends in lake water samples every year to the DNR for chemical analysis. Dick also reported on muskrat trapping around the lakes. He used to catch over 25 muskrats per year but the number seems to be going down every year.

Comments: **Bob Dercks** reminded everyone of the many contributions that **Jim Aumann** gave to the Lakes community. **Vilas Krueger** appreciates all the work the CLPA Board does and asked if we could take a more active role in trying to stabilize the lake levels. Vilas believes the lake level now is too high and causing problems for some home owners. **Dennis Thornton** mentioned that both the Pine Lake dam and the Auld Rohr dam (at Pine Manor) are wide open and have been for some time. Beaver dams located on private property that is located in another town are causing some of the backup. **Dan Bleck** mentioned some issues with deer eating wild flowers. **Alvin Bartz** said that his neighbors had several bears on their deck this year. **Jon Motquin** asked lake owners to do the AIS early detection survey on Aug. 6. Everyone liked meeting at the shelter and, weather permitting, we may have the meeting there again next year.

Motion for adjournment from **Ed Stuebe**, seconded by **Roger Heitpas**. Meeting adjourned, 11:30 am.

Notes by Kris Doan