

2021 Long Lake at Vergas Lake Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday July 17, 2021

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Hobart Township Hall

In Attendance: 71 Long Lake Property Owners

Donuts and Coffee was served starting at 8:30

9:00 Guest Speaker: Jim Wolters, Area Supervisor, Fergus Falls Area Fisheries, MN Dept of Natural Resources, spoke about the fish stocking on Long Lake with Q & A. Discussion on netting and ages of fish to determine how successful lake stocking was in certain years. The DNR stocks every other year, making it possible for lakes to privately stock in the off years.

9:30 Business Meeting

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Pam Kirsch.
- II. President Pam Kirsch explained that the board has approved \$5000 for 2021 Fish Stocking
- III. Introductions were made and new board member Mike Burke and Treasurer Connie Breitzman were approved by Terry Lipp 2nd by Roger Johnson
- IV. After time for review, the meeting agenda was changed to have Tim Nephew speak after Jim Wolters. Approved by Roger Johnson, 2nd Tim Nephew
- V. Stocking Report given by Tim Nephew, in 2020 500 pounds of fingerlings and 56 pounds of yearlings were stocked by the DNR.
- VI. Secretaries Report with Past Minutes and Treasures Report were approved by Phyllis Helland 2nd Dennis Breitzman
- VII. Spraying Report given by Eddy Roesch – spraying was completed June 2, 2021, which included 69 properties and 98 acres.
- VIII. COLA Report given by Rick Kirsch: Handout included levels of phosphorus (nutrients for plants) and chlorophyll (level of algae in the lake) which have been going down slightly since testing started in 1996. Water clarity averages 10.4 feet. Water testing is done once a month for five months May through September. Rick collects the samples and takes them to R&B Labs for testing. You can find all the information on the R&B website. Zebra Mussels are now present in our lake, and Roger Johnson brought a jar containing live Zebra Mussels he has found on his beach on Freedom Flyer Road.
- IX. New Business:
- X. 1. Dues will be \$40 for the year 2022.
- XI. 2. Chinese Mystery Snails have invaded our lake. They are large, up to 3 inches in length and mostly brown in color.
3. Board will try to include spraying bill amounts in the newsletter

XII. Announcements:

1. 4th of July Parade had about 25 boats this year.
2. Hwy 60 Ditch cleanup will take place in September. More info will be emailed.
3. Please review the boating rules, regulations and etiquette so that all can enjoy a safe experience on Long Lake. Concern has been expressed regarding harassment of loons, and geese, watercraft going too fast and too close to docks, swimmers, nonmotorized watercraft and not observing time limits. Roger Johnson reported that Jet skies are to be off the lake 30 minutes before sunset, and wake boats 30 minutes after sunset.
4. We will continue with our beaver control measures. If beavers are causing damage to your property, you can trap or shoot them.
5. In January watch your mail for membership and spraying information. We need payment by April 1st.
6. Contact your Beach Captain with suggestions and ideas.
7. Thank you to our kitchen crew: Ellie Johnson, Janelle Lotzer, Bette Pitzel & Tracy Offutt

XII. Current List of the Board of Directors:

1. President: Pam Kirsch
2. Vice President: Eddy Roesch
3. Secretary: Joy Stumbo
4. Treasurer: Connie Breitzman
5. Past President: Rich McCrady
6. North Central Beach Captain: Duane Johnson
7. Northwest/Central Beach Captain: Open
8. Northeast Beach Captain: Mike Burke
9. South (narrows) Beach Captain: Brad Offutt
10. South Central Beach Captain: Rick Lewis
11. Southeast Beach Captain: Ron Aksamit
12. Vergas City Beach Captain: Open
13. East Beach Captain: Pat Greenwood

Appointed Positions include:

14. Conservationist: Tim Nephew
15. Water Quality and Cola: Rick Kirsch
16. Web Site and Facebook Page: Kris Whalen

Door Prizes were given out

XIII. Motion to adjourn by Joy Stumbo 2nd Linda Johnson

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Stumbo, Secretary