

Long Lake at Vergas Board of Directors Meeting

September 25th, 2023

Location: Joy Stumbo's Home

Members Present: Eddy Rousch, Joy Stumbo, Bette Pitzel, Roger Johnson, Bob Hagar, Brad Offutt, Pam Kirsch, and Tim Nephew

The meeting was called to order.

Discussion on Fish Stocking

There has been a noticeable increase in the number of walleye in Long Lake, so fish stocking by the association every other year has improved walleye population, which should only get better as time goes on. It takes about 3 years for the fish to mature to a size appropriate for catching.

We received \$1600 in donations which unfortunately is down from last year. The Lake Association will contribute \$5400. The cost has gone up to \$19 a pound for walleye fingerlings which are 4-6 inches long. A motion was made by Tim Nephew to pay \$7000 for fish stocking in 2023, seconded by Roger Johnson. Tim will contact the Sunset Bay Resort to obtain permission to use their landing for fish stocking, and Tim will order the fish from Klug Fish Farm.

Discussion on Spraying for Tent Caterpillars

The cost for spraying this year was \$3942. Because the spray plane was unable to start and stop spray for individual properties, eight properties were not sprayed because not all properties on that beach chose to be sprayed. These homeowners will be contacted by Brad Offutt, and refunds will be sent. It was tentatively decided that spraying will not be offered next year, because of the difficulty finding a Spray Company, increasing costs, and inability to start and stop spraying of individual properties.

Annual Meeting 2024

The tentative date for the meeting will be June 15, 2024.

There were quite a few non-members attending the meeting this year, and because the meeting is funded by members, non-members will not be eligible for Door Prizes. The Sign In Sheet will be more detailed next year to determine who are members and non-members will be identified.

Beaver Dam Removal

The beavers have again built a dam in the outlet from Sybil Lake to the inlet to Long Lake. Discussion on building a pipe flow to permanently remedy the problem. Roger Johnson will look into completing this task and would appreciate help from anyone willing.

Social Media

Discussion on increasing our social media presence. Joy Stumbo will be increasing the activity on Facebook and will update the website. If anyone has great pictures of activity on Long Lake, please email them to Joy at joy_stumbo@yahoo.com.

QuickBooks

Because of the labor-intensive accounting and membership management system in place now, the board is looking into buying QuickBooks and consolidating all information into one system. Tim Nephew has done research and Eddy currently uses QuickBooks in his business. Motion was made by Joy Stumbo to invest in QuickBooks, second by Bette Pitzel. Bette will check with the bank to determine if our bank account can be linked with QuickBooks.

Joy Stumbo made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Submitted by Joy Stumbo, Secretary