

## **Lake Metonga Association, Inc.**

### **Annual Membership Meeting – 54 members present**

#### **June 30, 2012 – Crandon School District Auditorium**

**Call to Order: President Grant Reed 9:07 a.m.** President Reed introduced current Board of Directors. John Preuss Lumberjack Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator was introduced and he gave a brief introduction of his history and new position. Stated he is available to work with us on whatever projects necessary.

**Approval of Minutes –Membership Meeting July 2, 2011** – Distributed to members present. Time was permitted for members to view. Motion to approve minutes without any additions or corrections Deward Ison. 2<sup>nd</sup> Kevin Van Zuiden. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report – Kim Reed.** Distributed to members present. Kim explained several items. Members were given time to view and ask questions. Motion to approve Dennis Klemic. 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom Thielke. Motion passed.

Commission on Aging Annual Pontoon Boat Ride - 10:30-3:30 July 18. Meet at City Beach. Contact Gary Mueller if able to donate time or boat.

Town of Lincoln-Forest County recently approved week –to- week rental property permit. Room tax and sales tax are applicable. Register with sales tax people. Town will issue permit.

#### **Lake Status – Les Schramm**

Started presentation by defining health of the lake. Explained that satellite passes over lake and Les coordinates timing so they know when the data is being collected. They are the following:

**Water clarity and chemistry**-factors that affect are phosphorus, sewer, animal waste, chlorophyll. Current water clarity is.....

Gravel on lake road instead of salt? **Check with County.**

**Eurasian Water Milfoil Treatment**-explained how to distinguish natural milfoil vs. eurasian milfoil. Check leaves, shape and number . 49.1 acres of milfoil treated Spring, 2011. Currently, 49.8 acres which is a little more. Some areas were depleted others just formed. Recent survey done May, 2012. Information given to members present regarding company treating the milfoil. Les checked with multiple companies to get quote for treatment. Least bid was Stantec. Suggested adding an anti-drift sinking agent so it sinks and stays at root structure of plant. A new bed was discovered and treated at City Beach. Someone to check to see if the anti-drift agents actually works or is a “gimmick”.

**Bullheads**- Bullhead harvest was done May, 2012. Shocking boat worked Farmer’s Bay, Peterson Bay, and typical fish beds. 21 hours, three people in the boat. 63 hours total. Did not charge us anything.

Wants to maintain and grow our fishery so he donates his time. Captured 2600 fish. Overall Bullhead population is small.

**Zebra Mussels-** samplers placed in ten docks around lake. Compared slides from 2004 to 2012. Zebra mussel numbers are decreased and their size has decreased. Density has reached plateau. Life span of zebra mussels is 3-4 years. John read report of testing done on zebra mussel control out west. Explained a microbial-based product developed to target zebra mussels. Safe to use. Natural bacteria found in lakes throughout US and WI. 90-100% kill rate in lakes tested out West. Still testing for safety. Equinox. Still in testing phases. Cost? Need to investigate.

**Spearing-**Les Schramm showed map of tribal spearing areas of lakes. History of tribal spearing signed treaty dates. 1986 Thompson wanted to terminate treaty established in 1842. Spearing numbers have been recorded throughout the years. There have been years that the tribe has not speared Metonga. Stocking contributed half by tribe to increase walleye numbers. Stocking this year done by milking and putting fryes back in lake. Tribe and DNR. Stocking done in early parts of June. Any chance of stocking the lake with Blue Gills? Les will check into this.

**Raffles** - Les and Donna have organized raffles and events for the last ten years would like to pass this job onto others. A list of tasks necessary for success was read. Letters, signs, tickets, booths, staffing, collecting donations, Form committee to meet once a year. Report to board once a year. A sign- up sheet was passed around to members present. Grant will review sign-up sheet.

**Fundraising Plans – Raffles-**plans include

Gun Raffle-tickets \$20 each only 450 tickets sold. List of prizes. Starting now.

Kentuck Day- sign- up sheets in lobby

Art in the Square – sign-up sheets in lobby

**Boat Parade and Picnic-** July 7 1:00 Beachside Bar and Grill. Contact Dave Patzlaff to register boat for parade and number of people attending picnic. Tim Leonardelli is MC. Band at 5. Free. Donations accepted. Pig Roast at Beachside today. Volunteers needed please see Tim.

**Walleye Banquet-** conflict last year with dates. Made more money but less in attendance. Profitable event. Contact Tim, Kim, or Grant for information. September 29 at Mole Lake Casino. 200 for reserved seating. Not in Bingo Hall. Bar inside. Table captain.

**Loon Nesting Platforms-**Farmer's Bay had two but now only one. Peterson Bay still has two.

**Launch Fee Update-Donations** City Beach and County Park fees \$807.00 Fees cannot be used to treat invasive species. No plans to revise or reconsider use of fees to treat invasive species. Response from DNR. State matching grants available. Donations to launches are acceptable. We are doing both of these. Grant is working on contacting legislators to change law. Will keep members updated. Change

state statute? Almost impossible. Bottom line is they are working on making funds more available to us to treat invasive species.

**Election of Officers**-Two years terms for all offices are available. Current officers volunteered to stay another two years. No other members volunteered. Current officers stay the same for another two year term.

#### **New Business**

**No Spearing Law**-Les explained that a law passed in 1999 to NOT spear. Obviously not being enforced. Signs will be created to let everyone know that spearing is ILLEGAL. Not enforced in 13 years.

**Membership Input**- septic system issues should be checked if questionable or have questions regarding efficiency of system . Apparel sales are a new fund raising source. Beachside has volunteered to sell. Kim will have them at the Picnic.

#### **Adjourn**