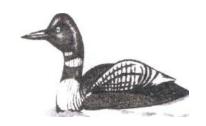
LOON LAKE – WESCOTT MANAGEMENT DISTRICT Spring 2016 Meeting Minutes



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Remember our Courtesy Code at Loon Lake

- 1. Encourage personal watercraft to stay out 300 feet from shore.
- 2. Observe state laws to stay 100 feet from docks and boats.
- 3. End personal fireworks by 10:30 P.M.
 - a. <u>THE LAW Fireworks in Wisconsin</u>: Fireworks that stay put and just smoke or fizzle are OK. This includes sparklers, stationary cones and fountains, snakes, smoke bombs, caps, noisemakers or confetti poppers with less than a quarter grain of explosive mixture.
 - b. <u>Fireworks that require permits</u>: Anything that explodes or leaves the ground from Roman candles, firecrackers, and bottle rockets, to streaming, booming fireworks displays. Permits must be issued by municipalities to groups. Fireworks vendors cannot issue them, and individuals cannot receive them.
- 4. Use phosphorous-free fertilizer on lawns.
- 5. Observe Ordinance 54: NO WAKE BEFORE 9:00 AM AND AFTER 5:00 PM.

Subject: Biannual Meeting of Loon Lake Management District

Date: Saturday, May 28, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m,

Place: Camp Tekawitha

Entire Board present.

Chairman Lloyd Knope called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Lloyd began the meeting by explaining that Randy Perra was no longer a member of the board as he sold his property to his son and the bylaws state that you must be a property owner to sit on the board. The board selected Judy Randall to complete the remainder of his term, which ends today.

Judy Randall then talked about the green handout which summarizes the Loon Lake Courtesy Code, Ordinance 54 and many of the common boating regulations. These handouts will be distributed to each property owner, asking them to post the sheet for easy reference to anyone using the lake.

Lloyd asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 5, 2015 meeting. Dave Nusbaum so moved, seconded by Kent Able. Motion carried.

Larry Philbrick gave the financial report. Our income since the last meeting was \$42,779.42, including a donation of \$400 from the Zirbeløs Resort and a donation of \$5,000 from the Town of Wescott. Expenses totaled \$3,168.80 including liability insurance, the DNR permit for the 2016 treatment and meeting and travel expenses. Our checking account balance is \$9,282.85 and the savings account balance is \$155,149.78. John Abendroth moved that the financial report be approved, Rick Behrend seconded. Motion carried.

Larry reported that the books had been audited by Mike Schuler. Mike indicated that the books are in order. Dave Nusbaum made a motion to accept the audit report, Kent Able seconded. Motion carried.

Mary Claire reported on WAMSCO (Waterways Association of Menominee and Shawano Counties). WAMSCO is a newly formed group organized to facilitate education, research and cooperative sharing of resources and best practices for inland waters, groundwater, wetlands and watersheds within both counties. Larry and Mary Claire attended the first meeting in April as Loon Lake representatives. After that meeting the board discussed and approved becoming a member of the WAMSCO organization.

Dave Nusbaum reported on the Clean Boats ó Clean Water program. Last year we recorded 69 hours of service compared to 15 hours the year before. This year our target is to exceed the 69 hours. Dave reminded everyone that these service hours are reported to the DNR and do play a role in the association receiving additional lake management grants. A sign-up sheet was passed around and Dave encourages those in attendance to get their neighbors involved. The packets will be available at the T-Mart. Just pick up a packet from the box and drop it off in the same

box when you have finished volunteering. Dave will take care of recording the hours with the DNR. New this year is an incentive for volunteers. For every hour you volunteer your name will be placed in a drawing for three gift certificates from the T-Mart.

The emphasis this year for Clean Boats ó Clean Water is on removal of weeds from trailers and boats and the proper handling of live bait. If the water the live bait is stored in is from a bait store it can go from lake to lake ó otherwise the bait is restricted to the lake it came from. And as always, remember that if someone is violating a law, do not approach them. Contact local law enforcement with the boat registration numbers.

Damian gave an update on the upcoming lake study to update our lake management plan. He mentioned that our lake management plan was last updated in 2003 and it is important that we update it as a current plan is required for DNR lake treatment permits. Damian explained that we have partnered with Onterra, a lake management planning firm out of DePere, to complete the study. To help pay for this study Onterra helped us receive a DNR grant totaling almost \$20,000. Part of that grant money is dependent on õvolunteerö hours (i.e. we receive a certain amount for every service hour recorded) so the board is asking that all of us participate. The first opportunity for service hours is coming on July 23 when Onterra will kick-off the lake management project with a meeting at Camp Tekawitha at 9:00 a.m. Come hear Eddie Heath, from Onterra, speak about the project. For every person in attendance we will receive 1 hour of service time against our grant (note you do not need to be a property owner to attend).

The weed treatment plan was discussed next. Larry reported that 8.1 acres, in two areas of the lake, were treated on May 8th. The temperature was 58 degrees and winds were 10 to 15 mph out of the East. Winds were a little high for treatment but we did get the okay from the DNR before the application was started. Early signs show the milfoil is reacting to the treatment. Assessment of the treatment will continue throughout the summer. We will review results this fall and early next spring with Onterra to determine the treatment plans for next year.

Lloyd reported on the lake conditions. The ice went off the lake on March 23rd, compared to April 3rd last year. Water clarity was good with the disc reading at 6.5 feet and the oxygen levels good down to 15 feet. The water level is at 21 inches, compared to 27 inches last year.

Lloyd also mentioned that Osprey, Eagles and Loons are nesting. Beaver were also trapped again last fall. Lloyd then discussed the increasing number of geese nesting on the lake. To try to keep the goose population in check Lloyd registered for a permit from the Federal Wildlife Service and State DNR through the ADDLING program to oil goose eggs in nests around the lake. The oiling of the eggs stops the hatching process. Lloyd reported he õoiledö 20 eggs in 5 nests. Next spring, Lloyd will again oil eggs in nests around the lake. If you notice a nest please contact Lloyd as he is the only one permitted to oil the eggs and report his findings back to the state.

Lloyd also mentioned that there is a red flag marking a log in the water along the back shore that could easily do damage to your motor. Please note its location and stay clear.

Judy Randalløs (previously Randy Perraøs) position is up for election this year. Judy has agreed to run. Lloyd asked if there were any other nominations from the floor. Being none, Dave Nusbaum made a motion that the nominations be closed. Kent Able seconded. Motion carried.

Under new business, Mike Schuler reported that Woods Road would be paved in early June. The work is scheduled to start on June 6th and take about two weeks to complete. Mike also mentioned that a new garbage system (with the garbage carts on wheels) will be put into place in the Town of Wescott starting in September. Residence will be required to use the provided garbage and recycle cans.

Kent Able made a motion to adjourn. Rick Behrend seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Claire Lueck, Secretary