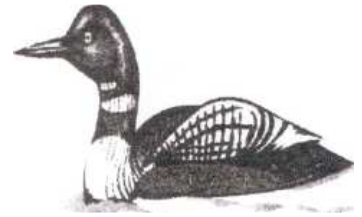




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Remember our Courtesy Code at Loon Lake

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. **THE LAW – Fireworks in Wisconsin:** 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. **Fireworks that require permits:** 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.

NOTICE

LOON LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING AT CAMP TEKAWITHA SATURDAY, MAY 28, 2011 at 9:00 am

AGENDA

1. Minutes of September 4, 2010 meeting
2. Treasurer's Report/Grant
3. Audit Report
4. Web site
5. Directories/ E-mail addresses
6. Clean Boats – Clean Waters Report
7. Weed Management Report
8. New Business
9. Election of officers

WILDLIFE REPORT

Loons were reported to have been seen already by April 13th before the ice was off the lake. The eagles are in the large nest in the middle of the island and the osprey are nesting on the platform. A beaver has also been seen on the island and appears to be gnawing on trees.

WEB SITE

Just a reminder that our web site address is www.loonlakedistrict.org. The ID and password to get into the members only part of the web site is:

ID – loonlakedistrict

Password – lld54166

Please do not give out the ID and password to non-members.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

We currently have e-mail addresses for all but 29 lake district members. If you have not yet given your e-mail address to Mary Claire Lueck or if you have a change, please send that information to her at maryclaire.lueck@mccain.com.

Subject: Meeting Minutes - Biannual Meeting of Loon Lake Management District
Date: Saturday, September 4, 2010
Time: 9:00 am
Place: Camp Tekawitha

Entire Board was present.

Chairman Lloyd Knope called the meeting to order.

Lloyd asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented in the Newsletter. Warren Dietz so moved, Helen Lueck seconded. Motion carried.

Larry Philbrick gave the income and expense report for 5-29-10 through 9-4-10. We had a starting balance in the checkbook of \$4,761. 59. Our income was \$596.92 and our expenses were \$236.00 with an ending balance of \$5,122.51. With our savings account, our total assets are \$39,088.08. Dave Nusbaum made a motion to approve the report, John Wenzler seconded. Motion carried. The total budget for 2011 is \$53,470.00. A motion was made by Warren Dietz to give the Board permission to exceed the \$45,000.00 budgeted for weed treatment if needed, seconded by Cliff Siebers. Motion carried. Judy Randall made a motion to approve the budget with said stipulation, seconded by Don Settergren. Motion carried. Larry reported that, due to the 3 year grant from the DNR, our assessment will remain the same as last year.

Lloyd Knope reported that warm water, high water and poor water clarity may have been the reason for the exceptional growth of the celery weed followed by its early die off. The probable reason for the poor water clarity is the large amounts of rain causing a bog flush out. The good news is that the EWM growth seems to have been very poor this year. We encourage all property owners to remove weeds from their shoreline. This should be done in respect for our neighbors and to prevent sediment build-up in the lake. Data from lake monitoring is available on our website.

Remember that the volunteer boat landing monitoring under the Clean Boats/Clean Waters program helps us with our grants from the DNR. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered. Also remember that the boat wash at the Shawano County Park is available for our use.

Damian Drewek reported that we are in the process of adding more information to our website. We have had 400 visits to the website so far. Remember, if you have not already done so, please get your e-mail address to Mary Claire Lueck. We will be sending our Newsletter and other letters via e-mail for those whose addresses we have. For those who don't have e-mail, we will send information through the regular mail.

Gene Hoppe of the County Board reported that the expense of the fence around the airport will be covered by tax on plane fuels and luggage. Gene has had some reports of excessive speed on the roads around Loon Lake. He will bring this up with the sheriff again.

Mike Schuler reported that a gypsy moth count will take place next week. It looks like they will not be spraying next spring. Oak wilt and Emerald Ash Borer was discussed. It was reported that Camp Tekawitha will be around for a long time.

A motion to adjourn was made by Cliff Siebers, seconded by Carol Schubert. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Sager
Secretary

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WEED TREATMENT/HIGH WATER

This year's spring weed treatment has been delayed because of the unusually cold weather and extremely high water conditions. Last year in April the water depth at the end of Lloyd's pier measured 28 inches. This year it measured 43 inches. As a result, there has been a tremendous turnover of water entering and exiting the lake. This means the chemical used to treat the weeds would be flushed out of the lake very quickly and a successful treatment is doubtful. We are monitoring these conditions and hope to proceed with the treatment in mid to late May when water levels drop and water temperatures improve.

Clean Boats Clean Waters on Loon Lake

Volunteers have been monitoring our Loon Lake boat landing for the last 6 summers. During this period of time we have inspected 1,200+ watercraft and contacted 2,642 boaters. Thank you to everyone who has so willingly volunteered to do this. During the summer of 2010, we found that 97% of the boaters were aware of the invasive species laws. But it is important that we continue to educate the boating public on **clean boats – clean waters**, so this becomes common practice with all boaters. We also must continue to monitor the boat landing to fulfill our commitment for our DNR milfoil control grant.

Therefore again from Memorial Day thru Labor Day in 2011 we want to monitor our boat landing to make sure clean boats are entering Loon Lake. Attached to this newsletter is our 2011 monitoring schedule. Please select a date and let Byron Wendt know by either: email – bwendt1@athenet.net or phone - 920-427-9039. This year we want to make sure we cover all 48 time slots – only you can make this happen! Thank you!

How to Take Action to Stop Aquatic Invasive Species!

Boaters and Anglers –

- INSPECT your boat, trailer, and equipment and
- REMOVE any attached aquatic plants or animals (before launching, after loading, and before transporting on a public highway)
- DRAIN all water from boats, motors, and all equipment.
- DON'T MOVE live fish away from a waterbody.
- DISPOSE of unwanted bait in the trash.
- BUY minnows from a Wisconsin bait dealer. Use leftover minnows only under certain conditions*

*You may take leftover minnows away from any state water and use them again on that same water. You may use leftover minnows on other waters only if no lake or river water or other fish were added to their container.

Don't Forget the Boat Washing Station at County Park

Shawano County Park on the north shore, has installed a new free boat washing station for everyone's use. It is a convenient and fast way to power wash down your boat after use in other area lakes and before launching your boat in Loon Lake. Shawano Lake along with Cloverleaf Lakes, Moshawquit Lake, and Legend Lakes all have been found to be infested with adult and larval zebra mussels. By using this precautionary measure of boat washing will help prevent this invasive species from being transported into Loon Lake.

Loon Lake Boat Lading Monitoring Volunteers for 2011

- We ask that you volunteer monitor a minimum of two hours during your shift when there is most likely activity at the boat landing.
- We recommend that two people are at the landing when monitoring.
- I will deliver the monitoring form and simple self-paced training instructions to your house on Friday before your scheduled time.
- When you have finished your monitoring please drop off materials at N6819 Loon Lake Drive.

2011		Your Name	Lake Address	Lake Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address
May 29	Sun AM					
May 29	Sun PM					
May 30	Mon AM					
Jun 4	Sat AM					
Jun 4	Sat PM					
Jun 5	Sun AM					
Jun 11	Sat AM					
Jun 11	Sat PM					
Jun 12	Sun AM					
Jun 18	Sat AM					
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To sign up – contact Byron Wendt via e-mail: bwendt1@athenet.net or cell phone: 920-427-9039