

FOREST COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF LAKES, INC. -BOARD OF DIRECTORS'  
MEETING/ APRIL 12, 2019 at 9 AM at the CRANDON LIBRARY

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Lee Lamers at 9:20 who declared a quorum as being met.

Member Vi Lamers volunteered to take minutes of the meeting.

Members Present: Lee Lamers, Vi Lamers, Pat Schultz, Al Murray, Larry Sommer, Mark Tryman, Kathy Babcock, Bob Ebben

Guest Present: Diane Braunreiter

A motion was made by Larry Sommer, seconded by Pat Schultz to accept the agenda as printed. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Larry Sommer, seconded by Al Murray to accept the minutes of the March 15, 2019 meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Treasurer Bob Ebben presented the treasurer's report and other topics:

- reported a total on hand in the checking account of \$4,092.
- sent out membership forms previously and last week sent out 75 reminders for dues.
- haven't heard back from the Potawatomi about any donation from them.
- discussion was held about getting one or two booths for Kentuck Day. Issue tabled until the next meeting.
- insurance form needs address of record. Bob will check to have the address changed to his.
- insurance coverage was discussed as to whether we have 1.) liability or 2.) directors and officers or both. Bob will ask the insurance company for a copy of the policy.
- Wisconsin Lakes Association has its own insurance. Kathy Babcock will check into it and let us know at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Larry Sommer, seconded by Kathy Babcock to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- A. Essay Contest Status: Evaluations will be conducted on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the lower level of the Crandon Public Library. Free lunch to follow.
- B. Newsletter Status: Vi Lamers requested that articles be submitted to her by May 15, 2019. Al Murray redid the list of riparian land owners eliminating duplicates. His list will be used as the mailing list this year.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A. Al Murray presented Forest County updates:

- The AIS Tri-County Coordinator grant is still out.
  - The 911 responders committee is working on expanding communication for the rescue squads. Rescue squads sometimes have difficulty identifying the location of those in need because the GPS maps differ. So, they will be going to a grid system. For more information, read the article in this week's newspaper.
  - The new tech position to assist AI will not be official until May 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - Discussion was held on the issue of using a paddle wheel for fund raisers and the bill that is currently being presented by Rep. Jeff Mursau and Andre Jacque.
  - A planned Trees and Plant Sale hopes to be developed by 2020.
  - HANDOUT: "Wisconsin Citizen-based Monitoring Partnership Program" was presented. AI needs volunteer lakes/and associations to collect data, share any data they may already have such as mapping, water clarity, etc. This information would be put on a countywide database. Send information to his website: [lcc@co.forest.wi.us](mailto:lcc@co.forest.wi.us).
  - Discussion was held regarding FCALs sponsorship of a Loon Watch Program to be conducted in conjunction with 4H. AI will write the grant application and present it to FCAL at the next meeting.
  - He welcomes guest articles related to lakes or any particular issues.
- B. Mark Truymen brought up concerns about the effects of illegal fireworks around lakes that put stress on wildlife, such as nesting loons, and pollute lakes. Discussion was held on ways FCAL could present the issue in an educational and non-threatening way to the public. AI will write an article about it. Mark will bring back information to our next meeting.
- C. Kentuck Day is August 27<sup>th</sup>. We need to decide how many sites are needed.
- D. Fall Forum will be Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 registration, 10:00 meeting, free lunch to follow.
- E. A suggestion was made to have the Raptor Center in Antigo give a presentation at the annual meeting.
- F. Book Suggestions: A Lakeside Companion by Ted Rulsch, Our Living Ancestors by John Bates, and Death and Life of the Great Lakes by Dan Eagan.
- G. Correspondence was received from the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation. A motion was made by Lee Lamers, seconded by AI Murray to write a letter of support to continue the Knowles/Nelson Stewardship Fund. Motion passed. This needs to be discussed with President Pam Schroeder.
- H. A motion was made by Larry Sommer, seconded by Lee Lamers to have all future meetings begin at 9:15 and to be held at the Associated Bank. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Vi, seconded by Larry to adjourn the meeting at 10:55. Motion passed.  
Respectfully submitted, Member Vi Lamers