

## WOODBECK CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting  
Wendi & Norm Davidson Home  
July 11, 2022 at 6:30 PM

In attendance: Wendi Davidson, Kris Ferguson, Kevin Martin, Ed Armbruster, Kevin Bird, Bob Darvill, Mara Iteen, Mark Iteen, Gloria Gibson, Nan Holmes, Carol Bird, Cathy Schrauben, Phil Silva, Bruce Veldman, Don Hoogerhyde, Tom VanPortfleet, Denis Kluba, Ron Trumble, Kim Covell, Jared Cook, Lindsay Cook, Norm Davidson

Absent: Colleen O'Herron, Scott Hutchinson, Chris Decker

Called to order at 6:30 pm by Wendi who welcomed everyone.

### OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President's Report- Wendi reported that she and Norm attended the May Social Dinner, June Pancake Breakfast, Elvis, Boat Parade, she formed the Share Your Plants Committee, and wrote the May and June President's Corner. Wendi shared a reflection of her time as WCLA President, and indicated she will be willing to run for next term.

Secretary- Minutes of the May 09, 2022 meeting were emailed to the board by Kris Ferguson. Bruce made a motion to approve the minutes, Don 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Treasurer Report- Bruce reported that we have 216 members, which is a record. With regard to financials, so far this year we have \$14,440 total revenue, with \$3505 in expenses, so a net income of \$10,935. We have about \$39,485 cash, which about \$7,307 is Fish Plant Reserve. Michigan Lake and Stream Association Membership is up for renewal, it's \$300, includes support and a magazine. Each additional magazine subscription is \$14, we usually order an extra magazine for each lake. Extra magazines were approved and will be ordered after new officers are elected in September. Pancake Breakfast had 84 adults and 3 children attending with a net cost of \$156. Phil made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Don 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fish Plant / Boat Launch & Signs- Don contacted Stoney Creek and Laggis Fish Farm. From Stoney Creek we're getting 2,500 5-8" Walleye, will be a fall plant. We receive a 15% discount because of quantity, will cost \$6,500. From Laggis, we'll be getting 500 3-5" Small Mouth Bass at \$3.90 each fish. He conferred with Bruce and Bob. We will pick them up in 2-3 weeks in oxygenated bags. Budgeted for a general fund fish plant, would be under budget. Laggis is in Gobles, Bruce made a motion to buy Don gas, Wendi 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed. Don will send a notice when fall fish plant is done. Don was able to use his magnet to fish the "Shallow Water" sign out that fell in the Kindy channel and re-install it, and straightened the other sign in the channel. More stone at Kindy boat launch was installed.

Lake Quality and Beaver Control- Bob reported that PLM has sprayed with new spray. By July they can spray with Copper Sulfate. Lily pads will be sprayed in July too. The areas of milfoil were sprayed earlier with a stronger spray. People have issue with too many weeds and not enough weeds. Bob is working on a letter for what we're doing and what we're allowed to do. We can't kill native lily pads; we can kill invasive species. Can spray a 40 x 40-foot area in front of everyone's lots. Anyone who doesn't want their area sprayed can contact Bob. PLM has a list of areas not to spray. Regarding the channels, we can request special permission from the state if channel becomes too clogged. Sometimes they give it, sometimes they don't. Homeowners can get spray to spray their own pads. He hasn't received pricing on mapping the depths yet.

Golf Outing- Nan reported that we have 9 teams, 8 paid. Looking for 12 teams to fill it. One more week to sign up.

Kayak Poker Event- Kevin reported that 62 participants have signed up, still need to collect payment for some. Need a 2<sup>nd</sup> boat on Woodbeck. Band starts at 3:00, poker hands to be dropped off at Armbruster's. 86 attended last year. Just doing water and porta potty, no munchies.

Annual Dinner and Meeting- Nan reminded everyone that the Annual Dinner and Meeting is Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at Camp Concordia. She said she'd like folks to RSVP this year because last year was really small. Having a taco bar this year. Gloria said she'll do a weekly blast reminder of annual meeting and to RSVP, will include a reminder that it's a free meal for paid members.

Welcome Committee- Nan said that she and Teri are up to date. They've been doing it for 9 or 10 years, would like to have someone take over. She said best time to catch folks at home is weekends. In the beginning, they would go back until they'd find someone home, now they just leave a packet of information. She introduced Lindsey and Jared, who joined us as new members.

Halloween Party- Nan tentatively booked Brookside for Saturday, October 29. It will cost \$11/per person for taco bar. It will be cash bar. No luck with DJ so far, very expensive. Asked if we would want to do prizes. Don motioned to approve \$1,000 to use for the Halloween party for DJ, prizes, food, decorations if needed. Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion passed.

Cookie Exchange- Will be at Deb Eaton's on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00.

Christmas Party- Nan booked Winter Inn for Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM, dinner will be \$20/per person. There was discussion on the alternative of just doing apps, but it was decided to stay with the dinner option.

Monthly Get-Together- Next get together will be July 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm at Candlestone Water Tower Bar and Grill. RSVPs are required.

Meal Train- Mara reported that she had 23 members sign up to support a recent meal train request.

Bylaws Committee- Cathy said she had replied to Gloria's board meeting email with copies of the Bylaws with the suggestions. It was noted that a 60-day notice is required to vote on changes, so we won't be able to do it at the Annual Meeting. It was decided to announce at the Annual Meeting that we're working on Bylaw revisions and a Special Meeting may be called to approve. Voted in lake reps will be the voters, alternates would vote if they were replacing someone. Wendi said she reviewed the most recent draft and has a few suggestions. Bruce suggested that we send around the revised and have a call.

Plants Sale- Wendi reported that Jake said we can have the sale at Camp Greenwood. The sale will be on September 24. The committee is Wendi, Kim Covell, Cathy Deane, and Bonnie Liden. Plants will be \$2.00 each. They can be dropped off on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Camp Greenwood Gator Run is the same day and the plant sale will start after.

Boater Safety Course- Wendi reported that 3 kids completed the Boater Safety Course. Wendi included a personal letter with the \$15 Amazon gift card, they're going out in tomorrow's mail. After discussion, the Board agreed to extend the offer to the end of August.

Drain Committee- Kevin reported that the Eagles already approved spec & design of the Stacey Street Levy to add 10 feet at the top and 10 feet wider berm. It was asked who's paying for it. Greg Dean said it has to be done. The original notice said no cost at this time.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Corn Hole Chili Cook off- Nothing discussed.

Bridge Raising- Nothing discussed.

Kids Fun Day- Wendi had to cancel due to no volunteers.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Banks/Thomas Channel new letter- Wendi received a letter from a member who got stuck in the channel and had to be pushed to the center. Wendi responded and said there are still issues in the channel and we will let PLM recommend what we should do.

Road End issue- Lindsey and Jared recently bought a house on Thomas Lake. There's a property across the street, which they don't own that property, but people have been using Lindsey and Jared's dock. They came to the meeting to ask who owns the property. Bruce said that it's owned by Kent County Road Commission, and it's a Road End. He said it's a public access, but can't have a dock or a boat. It's kids and people bringing boats over. There's a guard rail blocking it. He suggested that they read up on road ends, it's public, but not a boat launch. The WCLA tried to put a fence there previously, but one of the homeowners wouldn't let us. In order to put a fence up, both sides need to agree. We don't have jurisdiction; they could call the Kent County Sheriff.

Pancake Breakfast- Nan requested new Pancake Breakfast signs. She could have Mike and Diane at Arrow Swift do them. Bruce said to go ahead and buy the signs and give the bill to Bruce.

Bear sighting- Kevin Martin reported that he had a black bear in his yard at the south end of Woodbeck. Wendi said she'll put it in the President's Corner.

8:20 PM Bruce motioned to adjourn the meeting, Cathy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion passed.

Submitted by: Kris Ferguson, WCLA Secretary

### **Meetings and Events:**

- Pancake Breakfast – Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 8:00-11:00 am at Camp Greenwood
- Kayak Poker Run – July 23, 2022
- Progressive Kayaking – possibly next year
- Golf Event – July 30, 2022 at the Links of Bowen Lakes
- Annual Meeting – Saturday, August 27, 2022 at Camp Concordia
- Camp Greenwood Workaday – April 23, 9 am – 4 pm & May 14, 9 am – 4 pm
- Halloween Party – Saturday, October 29, 2022 at Brookside Golf
- Christmas Party – December 03, 2022 at Winter Inn
- Cookie Exchange – Sunday, December 11, 2022 at Deb Eaton's home
- Sledding Event – February 12, 2022; 2023 TBD

### **Board Meetings:**

- Monday, September 13, 2021, Camp Greenwood
- Monday, November 8, 2021, Camp Greenwood
- Monday, January 10, 2022, 6:30, Wendi & Norm Davidson's home for in-person & Zoom
- Monday, ~~March 14, 2022~~, Rescheduled to 02/28/2022 at 6:30 pm, Camp Greenwood & Zoom
- Monday, May 9, 2022, 6:30 pm, Camp Greenwood
- Monday, July 11, 2022, 6:30 pm, Wendi & Norm Davidson's home
- Monday, September 12, 2022, 6:30 pm, Location TBD