

WOODBECK CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting

August 26, 2017

In attendance: 46 people, representing 27 Member households

Tom Stressman welcomed everyone at 5:00. He explained the various forms on the tables – Questionnaire, Treasurers Report, and Representative Sign Up.

Meeting was at Camp Greenwood, who's cook also catered. 4:30-5:00 was ½ hour meet and greet, 5:00-6:00 meeting, 6:00-7:00 dinner.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

Secretary: RuthAnne wasn't able to attend, so Tom Stressman read the Minutes of the August 2016 Annual Meeting to the Members. Bruce motioned to accept Annual Minutes, Bob Darvill seconded, minutes unanimously accepted.

Treasurers Report: Bruce reviewed the Treasurer's Report. He noted that our fiscal year end is 08/31. We have 202 Members again this year, matching last years. Reviewed expenses and revenue, this year's budget and proposal for next year's budget. General Fund has about \$18,000. Tom Hawkinson motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Don Hoogerhyde seconded, all approved.

Bylaws note: Bruce mentioned at our September meeting that the WCLA Bylaws have our fiscal year end as 12/31. Our fiscal year end is 08/31. A vote to change the bylaws has to be done at an annual meeting so that members can vote. We need to address this change at the 2018 annual meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fish Plant: Tom Hawkinson reported that there will be two fish plants (FP) this year. He explained that previous fish plants were based on theory that "more fish is better", but the next two FP's will be fewer fish, but bigger. There will be a fall FP of about 1,500 5-8" Walleye in mid-late October. The cost is 24% less with our discount. In the catalog it's \$2.60/per unit, we pay \$1.95/per unit. We'll have the Bluegill FP in spring around early May, which will be determined by water temp and when spawning. Waiting for water temp of about 68 degrees. Tom would like feedback from anyone that notices the hybrid population. It was asked where the FP happens, Tom said that it happens at the bridge. It was asked if you can tell what type of fish minnows are, and Tom said that you can tell a few of the species, but basically difficult to identify. Tom talked about all the work that's done, and it's all volunteers. He mentioned that he used to have help from Don Nowicki and Bill Wilkins, but that both of these friends and fellow volunteers had passed on this year. He asked for more volunteers, and talked about what a great lake community we have.

Lake Quality: Bob Darvill talked about the green algae issue that PLM had taken care of, and the info that he received from the Lake Quality show that he attended. Bob said that he and Don visited the lakes and were pleased to not be seeing a lot of the taller weeds, and noted that we are lucky to not have some of the same issues of other lakes. Jason from PLM addressed our group and said other lakes are having same issue in regard to the green algae. He said that he works on hundreds of other lakes and complimented our volunteers and the strength of our volunteerism and association. He said the first time he saw Eurasian Watermilfoil on our lakes was a few years ago, but it's now under control. We have a few other invasive species, but they are also under control. They use contact herbicide to control native plants, it kills the leaves at top but not the roots, which

helps to keep a balance by keeping the plant but giving clarity to the lakes. Have been doing algae management, all lakes have algae, but ours is relatively low. Testing levels are good. Lily pads are more than normal, but he's been working on them, and it could take until next year before the results are more noticeable. Also treated purple loosestrife (PL). Jason said for homeowners to get rid of purple loosestrife, that you need to cut off the tops, put in a trash bag and try to get the roots, in order to keep them from spreading. August/September is the time that PL would be going to seed, so homeowners will want to remove them before that happens. Floaters at the shoreline are homeowner's responsibility. Jason had sent an airboat to get at the PL in the channel.

Boat Launch: Tom thanked Bruce for changing the locks and codes throughout the season. Bruce said the locks will be removed in October or November. Also reminded everyone what the current boat code was and that it will stay the same until next spring.

Welcome Committee: Bruce gave update for Nan and Terri. Two homeowners on Woodbeck and one homeowner on Half Mile were welcomed. He reminded everyone to let the association know when someone new moves in, or let Nan and Terri know directly so that they can welcome them to the lakes.

Monthly Get Togethers: Bruce gave update for Nan. The monthly dinners have had on average 24-27 people in attendance. The next dinner is on 09/21/17 at Smyrna Bar, October is at Flo's and November is at El Rancho.

Events: Bruce said that the golf outing went good. Kayak event was a hit and had over 50 kayakers, will plan to do event again next year. A lot of nice comments on the homes that hosted food and drink on the different lakes and the final party at the Davidson's home. Everyone had a great time. Bruce thanked Tom for serving as president for the last three years and applause was given.

Bridge Raising: Bruce introduced Wayne King, and noted that the topic is not sponsored at all by the WCLA. Wayne said the last time the raising of the bridge between Woodbeck and Banks was discussed, we didn't have the votes to move forward. At the time Camp Greenwood had a sizeable number of votes due to their weed assessment base, and it would've resulted in a significant weed assessment increase to them. Wayne recently talked to Barb at Camp Greenwood about the topic again. It's been years since homeowners last met, and he feels it's a good time to start the discussion again.

Election of Lake Representatives: Bruce explained that 3 representatives are needed for each lake. Tom said that the WCLA meetings have been whittled down to four meetings a year.

Tom sang the praises of Gloria and got down on his knees and thanked her for all her work for the lakes. He asked everyone to fill out the cards on the tables, including the lake rep cards. Also noted that Waterlines will only be sent out via email going forward.

Bruce motioned to adjourn, Jodi 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 5:52.

Bruce announced that all lake reps need to come to the first meeting on September 11 at Camp Concordia at 7:00 pm. We will have first board meeting of the fiscal year and will elect board officers.

Lake Representatives:

Horseshoe: Bob Darvill
Don Hoogerhyde
Jill Plate

Bruce Veldman, Alternate

Woodbeck: Kevin Martin
Kris Ferguson
Wayne King
Sandy Allers, Alternate

Banks: Ron Trumble
Jeremy Neve
Nicole Neve
Tom Hawkinson, Alternate

Thomas: Jean Stevens-Berry
Rebecca McIntyre
Norm Davidson
Jodi Ramos
Ruthanne Kohn
Tom Stressman, Alternate

Half Mile: Chris Decker
Bob Alexander
Donna Layle, Alternate