

WOODBECK CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting

Wendi and Norm Davidson's Home & Zoom

January 10, 2022 at 6:30 PM

In attendance: Wendi Davidson, Norm Davidson, Deb Eaton, Kris Ferguson, Kevin Martin, Colleen O'Herron, Ed Armbruster, Kevin Bird, Scott Hutchinson, Don Hoogerhyde, Bob Darvill, Mara Iteen, Gloria Gibson, Bruce Veldman, Nan Holmes, Scott Jankowiak, Jamie Badgerow, Randy Badgerow, Carol Bird, Chris Decker, Ann Decker, Cathy Schrauben; Christine Stressman, Lou Fierens, Ron Trumble, Phil Silva

Absent: Adam Bigelow, Jake Dayringer, Tom VanPortfleet,

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

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Secretary- Minutes of the November 8, 2021 meeting were emailed to the board by Kris Ferguson. Bruce made a motion to accept the minutes without reading them at meeting, Wendi seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

President's Report- Wendi reviewed the work that she's addressed since last meeting. She said that Bob Darvill let her know that homeowner who has helped with beaver traps, had some traps come up missing. Wendi approved \$100 be paid to reimburse for the traps and asked if anyone has any input as to what happened to the traps, please let her know. President's Corner went out. We had our Christmas party. She spoke with Tom Stressman again by email regarding the golf outing, and he has agreed to do it. Wendi, Nan, and Gloria met and discussed dates for upcoming social calendar events. She spoke with Chris Decker about being a lake rep for Half Mile, and he's agreed, so he will be the 3rd lake rep for Half Mile. She also received some information regarding surveyors on environmental testing companies, so more to come regarding forming a committee for our channel concerns. She and Kevin Bird also met regarding ideas and plans for the lake association.

Treasurer Report- Bruce said we have 116 paid members. We've had fish plant donations of \$1,300 so far. Some costs for capital improvements have come thru, including \$100 for beaver traps, materials for fence at Kindy boat launch, pad locks, PO Box rental, state fee of \$20 for non-profit filing, \$37 in Pay Pal fees, which doesn't include what the \$1.50 that members pay.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fish Plant- Adam wasn't in attendance, but Bruce reminded the group that Adam was going to research another fish source in the hopes of having a spring fish plant. Wendi said she'll follow up with Adam.

Lake Quality- Bob reported that he received the Water Quality Monitoring Report. A couple small spots of milfoil were sprayed, will have to wait until spring or summer to see if the treatment worked. A couple of people ask if he knew the locations, which it didn't list it on the report, but he will get the information so we can check in the spring. Gloria requested Bob send the reports to her. Kris to scan and email to Gloria so she can upload to database.

Golf Outing- Wendi said Tom will be taking the lead on the golf outing, which is currently being planned for July 30, 2022 at Links of Bowen. She's leaving it up to Tom if he'd like to do the same format as last year with competition against another lake association vs just keeping it with ours. More to follow.

Boat Launch & Signs- Bruce reported that the fence and No Trespassing and Private Property signs had been put up. Were notified the other day that the fence was broken, don't know if it was due to people or wind, but it since has been repaired. There's an issue with a member going thru a homeowner's yard and around the fence with quads, and also over the fence. Bruce said the board needs to clarify -Is the Kindy boat launch closed to everyone for the winter, or do we somehow have to allow for access to members in the wintertime? Anyone that's part of the lake association would need to have access thru someone else's property if they can't go thru their own property. Bruce asked if we can we secure it but still have it useable?

Don said the issue is that someone needs to discuss with the quad riders about going thru people's property without permission and tell them to get permission from a homeowner to get access. Wendi said she's received communication regarding various areas of people getting on the lake from private homes property. She received communication from a Woodbeck homeowner who said it appears that some people are bypassing the ice gate, he's wondering if the homeowners should have cars towed. Was noted this is same group. She said she received communication from a Thomas Lake resident that they also have a problem where people are parking their vehicles off 16 Mile and walking down the hill thru the guardrail. Don noted that the board discussed this issue about 3 years ago. The property is a common area not owned by the lake association; we don't have the right to block it. The people that own that plat could do that, but we'd have to come to an agreement to block it. Bruce made a proposal to close the Kindy launch to everyone, Cathy 2nd it. Don noted that we already agreed to it. Bruce said he just wants to make sure we're all in agreement to enforce the closing. Motion passed to close Kindy boat launch to everyone during the winter.

Kayak Poker Event- Wendi and Kevin Bird discussed combining the Kayak Poker event with the Progressive Kayak event. There are families interested in being host beaches. Are looking at August to schedule. More to follow

Welcome Committee- nothing new to report.

Monthly Get-Together- Nan said next one is January 16th at 6:00 pm at El Rancho. February's will be February 22nd at 6:00 pm at Turk Lake. Wendi said they are trying to negotiate a gift certificate from the restaurants to raffle it off as an additional fun thing to do for the get togethers.

Christmas Party- Nan reported that we had 40 people join at the Winter Inn, which was about half of what we had last year. Don't know the reason for the lesser attendance but can discuss different ideas for next year.

Meal Train- Mara reported that she hasn't received any requests for the Meal Train. Folks can email or call if they need the help. Gloria said she's aware of two people that have been sick and sent them the Meal Train information, but they so far are doing well. Cathy said she'd like to be a part helping provide food when needed.

Bylaws Committee- Wendi said a Bylaws Committee has been formed. The committee is Cathy Schrauben on the lead, Kevin Bird, and Chris Decker. Cathy said that Jake has also agreed to be part of the committee. Cathy said they've been reviewing and noting concerns and potential revisions of current bylaws. She has questions on history and intent of current bylaws. Would like to talk with anyone that is still part of the association that may have been instrumental in the current bylaws, or past board members to find out the history and intent of the current bylaws. There are some obvious revisions that should be made, but others they'd like to know the history and intent before recommending changes. Wendi noted that Kevin and Chris were both acknowledging that they were a part of the previous bylaws, along with Rick Ross. Gloria said that her husband David was also a part of it. Chris said he'd reach out to Rick Ross. Wendi asked what the timing is for recommendations and Cathy said next step is for the committee to meet in person.

Bridge Raising- Nothing new to report. Reminded that Wayne is looking for someone to take it over. It was decided to keep it on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

Camp Greenwood- Jake wasn't in attendance.

Beavers- Bob said the beavers appear to be in hibernation, they haven't been active in filling in the ridge.

Channel between Banks and Thomas- Wendi said that at the last meeting we discussed the issues in detail, surrounding three different factors - keeping our boaters safe, keeping our homeowners happy, and keep an eye on if the channel starts to fill in. She felt enough time was devoted at the last meeting and rather than discuss again during the board meeting, she proposed that a committee be created to address the issues

and asked if anyone would like to be a part of the committee. There are a couple of people that have expressed interest already, but if any others would like to be a part of it, let her know. It was asked what was expected to be done and how is this channel different than any other channel? Wendi said the safety issues have been raised by members as were discussed at the last meeting. Norm said there's been a lot of representation from different lakes with people having issues of getting stuck on the shelf. Norm made a motion to create a committee to investigate the issues surrounding the channel. Was commented that not everyone agreed with the necessity of a committee. Kevin 2nd the motion. The motion was discussed, and it was decided to move forward with a committee. Wendi asked for a vote. Motion passed with 2 opposed.

Pay Pal- Scott said if we are switching to a non-profit, he needs to research how to change it. Jake told Scott that we need to be a non-profit to change. Bruce said we're a 501C4. Wendi said Pay Pal offers a discounted transaction fee, so worth looking into.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Meeting Dates- Wendi cannot attend a meeting in March, she asked if we could change meeting to February 28th. It was noted that we're heading into spring so there's a lot of social updates and subsequent meeting won't be until May. After discussion, it was decided to change the next board meeting to February 28th. She'll check if Camp Greenwood is available.

Sledding Event – Wendi is checking into getting a sledding event together for kids. Jamie and Randy said they would help with the event. She was going to check Spencer Township, also Kevin Bird has said they have good sledding in their yard. Will look at some upcoming Saturday's. Wendi to get in touch with Kevin and Carol.

Membership- Gloria confirmed we have 116 paid members. She also will be sending the invoices for the sponsors this week.

Waterline- Cathy requested a mini bio from all the lake reps that she could include in the future Waterline (WL). She requested they be emailed to her at cathy.schrauben@gmail.com prior to January 20th. The WL is planned for 3rd week of January. Wendi said she won't do a separate President's Corner in January since the WL will be published.

7:30 PM Bruce motioned to adjourn, Kevin Bird 2nd, motion passed.

Submitted by: Kris Ferguson, WCLA Secretary

Future Meetings and Events:

- Pancake Breakfast –
- Kayak Poker Run / Progressive Kayaking –
- Golf Event – July 30, 2022 at the Links of Bowen Lakes
- Annual Meeting –
- Camp Greenwood Workaday –
- Halloween Party - TBD
- Christmas Party – December 11, 2021 at Winter Inn
- Cookie Exchange – Will plan for 2022

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, Location TBD
- Monday, July 11, 2022, 6:30 pm, Location TBD
- Monday, September 12, 2022, 6:30 pm, Location TBD