

NORTH CHAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION

Minutes

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Promedica Conference Center, Coldwater

The meeting of the North Chain Lake Association was called to order by Vice President, Tom Duff at 10:03 am at the Promedica Conference Center, Coldwater, MI.

NCLA Board Members included:

President:	Terry Reen	absent, Mother passed
Vice-President:	Tom Duff, Jr.	present
Secretary:	Carolyn Morrison	present
Treasurer:	Colleen Humphrey	absent
Director:	Mike Reen	present
Director:	Carl Murdock	present
Director:	Frank Russo	present

Quorum: According to Tom Humphrey a quorum WAS present for conducting business.

Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes (May 13, 2023) hand out copies and emailed: Carl Murdock made a motion, seconded by Mike Reen to accept the minutes. The motion passed. Minutes on file.

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was presented by Tom Humphrey, Treasurer Colleen Humphrey's husband.

Beginning Balance:	\$7,413.28
Income Collected :	\$ 440.00
Expenses:	\$ 627.28
Ending Balance:	\$7,226.00

Nancy Murdock made a motion, seconded Mike Reen to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion passed. Complete report on file.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

SPECIAL REPORTS:

Weed Control: Paul Hausler reported that we had a mild winter, a cold spring and then a hot beginning of summer. This caused the weeds to grow rapidly putting tremendous stress on the fish. EGLE would not let us spray copper sulfate in May. The Fish Control did come to look at the reported dead fish, but as they were so deteriorated no definitive answer could be made. They suspected a bacterial infection because of the weather conditions. 328 acres were sprayed or harvested, 10% higher than last year. They like to treat invasive plants early if possible. Harvesting was sometimes better except for Eurasian milfoil and starry stonewort. Phosphorus in lakes promotes weed growth. Do not use it on or near your lake (State law).

Look over the maps that are sent to you and make sure you are on them for spraying if you desire it. If not, call Paul or Luke. You can look at MI Lake Info.com to help identify weeds.

Report blue/green algae. Take a sample. It could be harmful to pets and children. Some algae are not harmful. They can be tested. EGLE does test for harmful water, \$25/30 for E coli.

Members reported that the lake's clarity was poor this year. Paul will check it out. Again, monster spring rains influenced all this this year.

Marine Patrol, Sheriff Pollack: Final report will be coming from Josh Vickers. Marine Patrol tries to educate on stops with warnings and citations only when needed. Patty Brady expressed what a great job they have done patrolling the lakes. Call 911 if you see something amiss.

Walleye stocking: Carl Murdock attended the Coldwater Lake Chain meeting on stocking walleye. Unfortunately, the North chain is not suited for walleye as the lakes are too shallow, too mucky, and too warm. Even the South chain had a problem this year.

Facebook: Nancy Murdock is helping to vet people posting. The Autistic child selling t-shirts is a scam.

Adjournment 10:56 am

Next Meeting Dates: Saturday, May 11 or 18, 2024 & September 21, 2024, Promedica Conference Center

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Morrison, Secretary

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