

September 11th, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Present: Andy and Sheryl Achman, Cassie Adams, Al Aschenbrener, Tim Bertz, John Cook, Miranda Dyrdaahl, Uwe and Sarah Heck, Marvin and Lois Kjos, Rob Kloer, Mark Knutson, Jim Kubitschek, Kris Lindstrom, Don and Nancy Mace, Dave Meissner, Darlene and Scott Merkel, Jay and Sue Olson, Scott Olson, Spencer Richards, Owen Rohr, Mike Sabaka, Tom and Keri Sahlmen, Joe Schwabb, Jim Thill, Robbie Thum, Doug Walton

I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by President Robbie Thum.

II. Guest Speaker: Chisago County Sheriff Brandon Theyen-Water Patrol.

Sheriff Theyen has been with the Sherriff's Department for 22 years, but started 24 years ago at Rush City. Sheriff Theyen was appointed Sheriff in 2018 and will seek re-election in summer 2022. Deputy Ron is a full time recreation deputy. There is another half-time recreation deputy (Deputy Carroll). There are about 50 deputies in Chisago County—all of whom are trained in water patrol. Chief Deputy lives in Fish Lake Township. The Sherriff's office is responsible for anything that happens on the water, per state statute.

What is the relationship with the DNR? The Sherriff's office and DNR work closely as a team. The Sherriff's office typically covers the safety of the lakes and security of the launches; boating laws. The DNR typically does more enforcement.

What is happening with rules around Wake Boats? The U of M is publishing a study on wake boats later this year. It has been reported that the findings show the damage they are doing to the bottom of the lakes and the shoreline. Once the study is published, the State might publish statutes around wake boats. The Sherriff's office has been told to wait until the findings come out before more decisions are made.

Are bouys available? The Sheriff's office received a federal grant for buoys. Goose Lake has gotten 3 for the channel. If more are needed, contact the Sherriff's office. The Sherriff's office also have an initiative to put out permanent signs across lakes.

Call if you see anything suspicious. The Sherriff's office has seen an increase in day time burglaries on the southwest side of the county. Common stolen items include power tools, tools, chain saws, ect. Keep track of your serial numbers on these items as they find lots of stolen property but don't know who to return to without serial numbers.

Follow the Sheriff and Sheriff's office on social media: Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter.

III. Election of Officers-appointments are always at the Fall meeting.

- a. **Vice President.** No volunteers. We are still seeking a volunteer for this position.
- b. **Secretary.** Miranda Dyrdaahl has been serving as interim secretary. She volunteered to continue role in official capacity. Motion made by Sue Olson, 2nd by Kris Lindstrom. Approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes from 6/5/2021: Motion made by Sue Olson; 2nd by Andy Achman. Approved.

V. Treasurer's Report

- John Cook provided the Treasurer report
 - o Income:
 - Balance Forward: \$2219.22 (as of April 30, 2021) :
 - Dues: \$1245.00
 - Recycling: \$975.60
 - **Total: \$4440.04**
 - o Payouts:
 - Refreshments: \$32.10
 - Breakfast: \$50.00
 - Watershed \$50.00
 - Weeds: \$975.00
 - Newsletter \$641.01
 - Service fee: \$6.00
 - **Total: \$1754.11**
 - o Ending balances
 - **Checking: \$2685.93**
 - **Savings: \$12,809.91**
- John asked that if anyone has background in investments to contact him to explore possible better options for rate of return on Goose Lake Association's savings account.
- Treasurer's report approval. Motion made by Jim Kubitschek. 2nd by Mike Sabaka. Approved

VI. Old Business

a. Weed Spraying

Homeowners shared varying results for weed spraying by Midwest Aqua Care (952-403-6879). Tom to explore additional weed spraying options for larger portions of lake (particularly North Goose) and channel for next year, including AIS Grants, DNR permitting, and grants available. See Tom if you would like to be part of weed spraying committee: **Tom Sahlmen, 612-221-4827, tsahl3@hotmail.com**. A special session may be called around December 2021/January 2022 for the Officers to discuss if further action is needed on weed spraying and grant applications.

b. 4th of July Boat Parade

Boat parade was again a great success with over 30 boats! See summer newsletter for pictures.

c. Isanti County Fair

Goose Lake Association brings in additional money by having people volunteer to take tickets at the Isanti County fair. This year 18 slots were filled, but by only 3 families. Special thanks to Jay, Sue, and Scotty Olson, Jim and Julie Thill, and Rob and Karen Kloer. Projected revenues from the fair are \$822.00. For more information for 2022, contact Isanti County Fair Volunteer Coordinator: **Jim Thill, 651-674-2338, jimbo177@msn.com**

VII. New Business

a. Updated Logo

Updated Goose Lake Association logo



b. Website

Check out the Goose Lake Association website at **www.gooselakemn.org**. Thanks to Cassie Adams for all her hard work. Website questions or updates? Contact **Cassie Adams, 224-402-9397, 3adams98@gmail.com**

c. Dues Increase

Dues rate of \$25/year has not increased in many years. Officers proposed dues increase. Motion made by Tom Sahlmen to increase 2022 due to \$35. 2nd by Keri Sahlmen. Approved.

Clarification made that any money for dues send in that year is for annual dues of that same year. In order to vote at meetings, dues must be paid in full and up-to-date.

If a member sends in money exceeding annual dues amount, a note must be included for what the money is for, or it will be applied to the general fund as a donation.

Currently, less than 13% of the landowners have paid 2021 dues. Officers will create 2022 goal for membership.

Members discussed possible 2022 fundraiser. If you have ideas or would like to be part of fundraiser committee, contact any one of the Officers.

d. Other Member Topics

Stocking of the lake--no one has heard anything. Normally if there is a hot summer, there is not stocking.

Some members were going to be attending the Fish Lake Township meeting to gain clarification from the DNR regarding the daily limits and expanding the definition of "in possession".

Member asked if bow fisherman have ever been noticed/caught taking out walleye. No one had noticed/further information.

Member shared his brother-in-law provides boat shrink wrapping.

Motion was made by Sue Olson to give Jim Thill a gift for his years of service to the Association. 2nd by Cassie Adams. Approved. Officers will present at next meeting.

VIII. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn by Jay Olson. 2nd by Spencer Richards. Meeting Adjourned at 11:35am

2022 Meetings:

Saturday, June 4th, 2022 at 10:00am at Fish Lake Township Hall

Saturday, September 9th, 2022 at 10:00am at Fish Lake Township Hall