

**PLPOA**  
**Spring Meeting 7:30pm Friday, May 29, 2009**

Attending: Miriam Donnan, Millie MacLeod, Ken Erickson, Pat Tollefson, Jim Beckstrom, Lucy Fitzgerald, Bill Zimmerman, Karen Hart, Charles Solum, Curt Winter, Fred Manuel, Michael Ostbye, Jim Prondzinski, Julie Friederichs, Jim Sugihara, Dave Gordon, Rocky Swanson, Howard Ottoson, Michelle Sletten, Don Anderson, Nick Valentine, Sherry Trepp, Jeff Peltier, Skip Duemeland, Faye Engkjer, Kathy Hovey, Aldie Kelsven

Absent: Helen DeHollander, Brent Jenkins, Nancy Kapaun, Dave Larson, George Martin, Don Meidinger, Charlotte Skistad, Tom Larson, Dave Majkrzak, Jack Delvo, Jim Elliott

Meeting called to order by Rocky Swanson, President.

Moriya Rufer from PGOLID, along with Darrin Hoverson and Nathan Olson from the MN DNR gave a presentation on aquatic plants. Where the plants are found in the lake and how we can work the DNR.

Rocky Swanson had the new board members stand and be greeted.

Financial report was given by Fred Manual for Don Meidinger, treasurer. The budget shows deficit spending, but some of the expenses may be less than budgeted for the year. The dues income is higher for this early in the year. The PLPOA is in a good strong financial condition. File the financial report for audit.

Minutes from the August 2, 2008 annual meeting were discussed and a motion from Pat Herrmann to accept with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Don Anderson. Minutes approved.

Paid membership to date is 771. Good early paid members. Helen DeHollander will return to the lake in June. Her husband Bill passed away in March. When you see her, give her a hug.

The 2009 directories will be distributed to the majors and captains tomorrow at a breakfast meeting.

Jeff Peltier said that the first of three newsletters are out and the Kathy Hovey, editor, did a great job putting it together. The website is updated and has lots of lake information for the lake residents. It is in instant way to obtain updates. We now have about 500 email addresses from the lake members and that gives us a quick, free means of communication to all.

Kathy asked for people to contact her to submit articles and or photos for the next newsletters.

Sailing school is set up for the season. Best early sign up in years. There are two new sailing school boats. Twelve boats total. There will be two sessions of lessons, and they are two weeks each at \$125 per person. Jeff made a motion for a donation again this year of \$2,000 for the sailing school. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Charles Solum. Motion carried.

Faye Engkjer will have the swim program again this July at her home on Pelican Point. Lessons are for all ages and will be on Tuesdays and Thursday all of July from 12:00 to 4:00pm.

-Faye will be going on the committee at Dunn Township to set up the zoning for the township. 2/3 of Pelican Lake is in Dunn Township and will be affected by all zoning.

Rocky Swanson gave an update on 'Clean Up Day' Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. No paint, tires, building materials or trees and shrubs will be picked up. Ballard will only pick up from paid members. There are recycle sites on both ends of the lake and another site at Lakeland True Value for all recycle products.

July 4<sup>th</sup> – Fireworks – Nick Valentine, chairman. The pyrotechnics company has raised the price \$500 this year and the contract is signed. The radio station is the same 102.4. They will need volunteers for the parking again.

- Parade – Jim Prondzinski, chairman. Says that he is just getting started, and the theme is ‘Patriotic’. The prize money for this year has been raised to 1st - \$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150, and 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100. The parade will start at 10:00 am and proceed counter clockwise. He is going to ask the beach captains to hand out July 4<sup>th</sup> flyers to their beaches.

- July 5<sup>th</sup> clean up has been hired out to the Pelican Rapids 4-H Club for a \$300 donation. Rocky Swanson is also looking for some volunteer help from lake members that morning about 8:00am. PLPOA provides water and soda.

Gary Lawrence, representative for the Highway #9 committee. The committee has had five meetings and there will be an open meeting at the LREC in Pelican Rapids at 10:00am Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. They will discuss the options that are being considered for ‘calming Highway #9’. Possibly a walking/bike path placed on the inside of the highway. The committee has drafted a letter in support of a bypass and PLPOA has sent it to Otter Tail County Highway Dept.

Mike Ostbye, chairman of PGOLID mentioned that the next meeting will be Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at LREC prior to the Highway #9 meeting.

-Mike said that Larry Koehler is monitoring the water levels and the current level is 7.6” above ordinary high water mark. Cormorant Lakes are cooperating with this high water and the flow into Pelican Lake.

-Curly Leaf Pondweed, we have a new company hired to apply chemicals for this year. So far there is none found in the lake, but they will keep checking as the water warms up to see if the weed starts to grow.

-Mosquito spraying has started for the season and if you have any questions you can call Vance Stueness.

-The DNR has hired an intern to monitor boat activity at the two public accesses for season.

-The buoys are in place for the season.

-There is an open seat on the PGOLID board and names must be submitted soon. They would also like some help for the annual election and meeting on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Don Anderson, chairman of the Walleye Foundation, and the only member since Vic Horne has passed away. He would like to see a more formal board and actually would like to see this foundation come under the direction of the PLPOA board. There is about \$7,000 in that checking account. Faye Engkjer has some boxes from Vic Horne that may have some foundation paperwork in them. Rocky will get together with her and go through the papers to see if there are formal papers on the foundation and then get back to Don Anderson.

Jim Beckstrom discussed a concern on his beach of the storage of docks and lifts in the summer on the water front by the lake. What can the PLPOA do? Discussion: Maybe start with the beach captain sending a letter to this property owner stating the neighbor’s concerns. PLPOA has no jurisdiction at this point.

Feed lot issue is on hold. New photos were taken this winter. The Lewis Farm has been cooperating with us. The DNR said that they are not considered a feed lot. The water into the lake will continue to be monitored.

Rocky Swanson adjourned the meeting

Submitted by: Aldie Kelsven, secretary

PLPOA