

Shore Owners of Stone Lake Association

August 10, 2013 meeting minutes

President John Ryan called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. There were no minutes taken at the June meeting, so John gave a brief recap.

Finance Report

Savings account \$7,659.22

Checking account \$131.55

Recent expenses:

Dues to Wisconsin Lakes \$135

StoneLaker printing and mailing \$203

P.O. Box rental \$44

There is \$998 in the AIS account so far this year.

Membership update

We have 91 members, a record number. Membership Chair Bill Byrkit encouraged members to give him their email addresses so he can communicate more easily with less expense than regular mail. He has current emails for around 70 members.

Board Elections

There was one change to the slate from the June meeting. Mike Donatell will step down from the board and his son Jordan will step up. The following board members were unanimously elected. New members are indicated with an *.

Mary Byrkit*

Matt Callahan

Jordan Donatell*

Bob Eads*

Gail Emerson

Cathie Erickson

Gary Erickson

Stephen Erickson

Betty Hanson

John Ryan

Rolf Thompson

Karen Young

AIS Update

Monitoring has gone well with most people saying they appreciate the monitoring and are seeing it on most lakes they visit. In addition to protecting our crystal clear lake, monitoring also works to educate the boating public.

Shoreline Perimeter Inspection

Allan Rosenwald has asked for assistance inspecting the shoreline for any exotic or invasive species later this summer. Bob Eads, Kevin Krueger and Steve Erickson offered to assist. Steve noted that the purple loosestrife on Little Stone was expanding now that we have stopped raising the loosestrife-eating beetles. The DNR still gives the beetles away, and Bob Eads will look into starting another "farm".

Lakes Co-op

Betty Hanson reported that the Co-op had a very good July and was on track for a good August. They have been promoting their custom cakes, and orders are up. She and Karen Young also told us that the Co-op's fruit baskets are excellent. At Christmas, they provide baskets for the Senior Center. The current promotion to round up your purchase to the next dollar supports the Senior Center's basket program.

Photos for the Calendar

Jan Jacobson and Betty Hanson explained the voting process, and voting was done at the end of the meeting. Sixteen households contributed photos for the judging.

Golf Tournament

John said there were two foursome signed up so far and encouraged others to come out and play. There will be a potluck at Ryan's after the tournament. All are welcome, not just golfers.

Fish Report

Bill Byrkit explained that every other year we receive extended growth walleyes to stock the lake, and the other year we get small fingerlings. While survival for the extended growth fish is good, the smaller fingerlings rarely survive. Bill has been asking the DNR to not provide the smaller fish but to give us the extended growth ones every year, and this year the new person in charge of the program agreed. We will receive 2,000 extended growth walleyes this October and 2,500 in 2014. The DNR likes to see a population of around five walleyes per mile, and we have less than one. With the annual removal of fish from the lake, the population could actually be dwindling. In addition to the DNR walleyes, we buy ??? extended growth walleyes from the LCO tribe, and they donate another 500. The Cranberry Festival also donates to the stocking program, and this year the Town of Stone Lake gave \$250.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Emerson