

AUG. 19, 2008 ISCCW BOARD MEETING MINUTES: 9AM USFS Conference Room

Officers Present: President Will Buergey, Vice President Chuck Sethness, Secretary Ruth Bozdech

Directors Present: Army Domanus, Diana Mehlhop, Dave Gunderson, Jim Floriano, Joe LoMastro.

Guests: Delores Sewell, Kathy Floriano, Tom Church, Gene Fregetto

President Will Buergey called the meeting to order at 9:03

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Will Buergey

1. Will thanked Jim and Kathy Floriano and Barb Gajewski for the excellent job they did training volunteers on how to monitor their lakes for EWM. Kathy and Jim had wonderful displays and had samples of Northern water milfoil and Eurasian water milfoil showing the volunteers the differences in the plants.
2. EWM has been found in Lac Vieux Desert and Will talked with the DNR (Wisconsin), Ted Ritter, and some LVD riparian owners regarding further surveys and treatment as it is a boundary lake. The WI. DNR will recommend that Wisconsin assume the costs for surveys and treatment. Wisconsin regulations regarding treatment would have to be followed which limit treatments to spring for a 2 week period. We will continue to monitor the situation.
3. BoatUS Foundation has approved the final version of the new placemats. Jim Floriano said some of the resorts and restaurants have offered to pay for the place mats.
4. Will thanked Diana Mehlhop for organizing the membership mailing Monday, Aug.11.
5. Our 501 (c) 3 tax exempt status has been approved by the IRS. Will thanked Dave McDonald (our attorney) and Ken Wendt for helping him obtain the IRS designation.

JULY MINUTES: The following correction was made to the July 15 minutes.

1. Under President's Report, 1. Dave Gunderson's name should be added to list of helpers at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade

TREASURER'S REPORT: Will Buergey (Steve Wilkinson – absent)

1. The insurance for D & O has been paid.
2. Cash balance June 30           \$21,806  
Deposits                           1,594  
Disbursements               13,040  
Cash balance Aug. 18       10, 360
3. Tom Church suggested to the Board that the township might be willing to cover our expenses until the grant funds were received." (from National Fish & Wildlife Foundation)
4. Tate's have donated space for the boat/trailer power washer for the summer. Ruth Bozdech has contacted Jim Donlan concerning winter storage for the washer.

## EDUCATION REPORT: Jim Floriano

1. Jim thanked Diana Mehlhop for signing up people for the lake monitoring training held Aug. 11. 21 people attended the session. Jim also thanked Jack Erhart for securing pontoon boats for the tour. Clearwater Lake has a large infestation and many isolated plants. The infestation was treated this summer.
2. The place mats will be reviewed and an order placed for next year.
3. Jim said the web site has the Volunteer Time Sheet and he encouraged everyone to obtain a copy and keep track of their volunteer hours.
4. Jim and Kathy attended a program in Wisconsin concerning invasive terrestrials given by Ted Ritter. It was a very interesting meeting.
5. The next meeting of the education committee will be Sept. 11.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Diana Mehlhop

1. Diana thanked the following members for their help with the Aug. 11 mailing for new members: Fred and Corrine Duerkop, Dave and Marcia Gunderson, Steve Wilkinson, Will Buergey, Ruth Bozdech and Dick Mehlhop. (And thanks to Diana Mehlhop for arranging for the printing of the letter and recruiting all of the volunteers.) 1,450 letters were mailed at a cost of \$1100. Diana also thanked Ken Wendt for composing the membership letter.
2. Twenty new memberships were already received from the mailing. The monetary totals were not available at this time as Diana received the mail at the board meeting.
3. Membership totals are as follows:

2007-2008 totals: 189 members	Donations: \$20,317.50
2008-2009 totals: 12 members	Donations: 1, 880.00

Note: As the membership year has been changed to the calendar year, renewal memberships will be sent this fall.

## Lake Monitoring/Survey Report: Will Buergey (Barb Gajewski)

1. All monitoring work is complete except for Beatons Lake.
2. Crooked Lake has had two of its three surveys. Two plants were found near the boat landing and pulled by Ian Shackleford and Bob Evans. The second survey did not produce any EWM plants.
3. Curly leaf pondweed fragments were found in Thousand Island Lake near the boat landing, on the north and south ends of Cisco Lake and in the channel between Thousand Island Lake, Cisco Lake and Lindsley. No rooted plants were found in any of the Cisco Chain of Lakes to date.
4. EWM was discovered on Lac Vieux Desert near Thunder Bay (Wisconsin side).

Old Business: none

## New Business:

1. Seven new invasive species signs have been approved. The signs are approximately 3' x 5' at a cost of \$260 each plus installation. The suggested placements are:
  - Lac Vieux Desert (Misery Bay boat Landing)
  - Bass Lake
  - Duck Lake
  - Portable Boat washer

2. Bob Turnquist suggested the ISCCW website be renewed for 5 years for \$268.00 to facilitate renewals. Motion made by Arny Domanus, seconded by Joe LoMastro and approved.
3. A motion was made to continue using the boat/trailer washer thru September due to the large number of fishing tournaments that take place that month. Motion made by Arny Domanus, seconded by Dave Gunderson and approved.

Comments by visitors:

1. Delores Sewell, primary educator announced she has completed training for volunteers at County Line Lake and Allen Lake. She will attend the Crystal Lake riparian owners meeting Aug. 23. Delores said the fishermen are very glad to have their boats and trailers washed. Some fishermen have offered to pay for the wash. We will explore attaching a secure donation box to the washer trailer this winter. Delores said 22 boats/trailers were washed at Thousand Island boat landing and 17 boats/trailers at Bents Camp in one day. She feels the boat/trailer washer is very successful. Delores said most boaters are now aware of invasive species.

1. Arny Domanus gave a report on the upcoming ML&S regional meeting to be held Sept. 6 at 9am. The meeting is at Covent Point on Hagerman Lake in Iron River. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
2. Gene Fregetto from the University of Illinois, Chicago campus, introduced himself and offered technical help and help with grants. Will Buergey will add Gene's name to the email list.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joe LoMastro, seconded by Chuck Sethness. Approved.

The next board meeting will be Sept. 16, 9am at the USFS Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted by

Ruth Bozdech, Secretary