

ISLAND CHAIN OF LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES – August 8, 2015

President Karl Nordin called the meeting to order at 10 AM. The roll call of officers was taken and all were present except the Secretary, Carol Deluga. The July 11, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as written. Treasurer, Bea Burnap read the treasurer's report and it was accepted as read.

The following items were discussed:

- Karl acknowledged Bob Jensen and Stephanie Barber for their work on the web site (islandchainoflakes.org). They are working on a services people use around the lake – ie lawn mowing, septic services, general carpentry etc. Contact Stephanie Barber if you have questions (*sephanie@raubarber.com*). Thanks to those who submitted pictures to the website. Take a look at the site and see what is new!
- There was an informational class before the lake meeting regarding how to do hands only CPR and AED refresher. A special thank you to Deb Krahn for teaching the hands only CPR and Dovehealthcare-West Eau Claire for allowing the use of the CPR equipment.
- Karl spoke about AED equipment. This would be what communities around the lake would be able to purchase for personal or neighborhood use. The Phillips Heart Start is what can be purchased by lay people. These units would not replace what the organization already owns. Mark Schmidt reported that Tom Hall from the Rusk County is working on getting new AED's. We need to work with the county in our efforts to determine if any updates need to be made with our current equipment. We do believe as long as they are functioning properly they will continue to be used.
- Please remember the No Wake regulations when passing another boat in any of the channels on our lakes. If you are within 100 ft of another boat in the channels you must slow to no wake.
- The issue of signage at the boat landings will continue to be worked on next year. We will continue the collaboration with the WRA on these projects.
- There was a discussion regarding the number of paid members this year being down. Some expressed that this may be because we have not done any postal mailings this year and some of these people have not received our emails. As a result some have not participated in the Association this year.
 - A motion was made and seconded directing the Membership Committee to compile a list of past members who have not paid their dues this year and do a mailing to them within the next 30 days.

Additionally, Karl reported on the efforts underway by the Membership Committee and shared efforts underway to improve communication, recognize and welcome new property owners around the lakes, and to continue efforts of a lake directory.

- Richard Martin is doing water quality testing on the lakes and shared with Karl that due to specific designated sites for testing and times he did not need any additional help at this time with the water testing. We will try to get him as a speaker at one of our meeting's next year.
- Karl asked for suggestions for speakers at next year's meetings. Some suggestions were: Sheriff's Department, Game Warden, Tom Hall, regarding 1st Responders and someone from Rusk County regarding land use. Let us know if you have any suggestions.
- There was discussion regarding the damage being done to the buoys on the lakes. It was noted that we had some significant repair costs for the buoys this year. We need to make people aware of the costs of careless boating resulting in damage to the buoys.
 - A motion was made and seconded for a reward of \$100 to be paid for the information and arrest

of a person or persons that damage the buoys.

- A motion was made and seconded to keep the lights on the buoys in the channels.

A reminder was made that the buoys are not all removed at the same time. You may notice some come out sooner than others.

- Questions were asked regarding walleye stocking. Karl will check with Jeff Scheirer regarding when the fish will be stocked and how many we will receive. It was suggested that we go out and buy additional fish with the funds we have. We were reminded that we cannot do that without approval from the DNR and since they are giving us fish there is no need to buy more. We have a good working relationship with the DNR and we need to keep that going.

- **Important Phone Numbers**

- **Rusk County Sherriff 715/532-2200 Call with any lake abuse and/or boating and jet ski issues**
- **DNR Satellite Office Ladysmith 715/532-3911**
- **Forestry Department 715/532-2113 Call with any boat landing issues**

Door prize winners were Dan Borreson, Jan Lindall, John Kowalewski and Rollie Shadick. The meeting was adjourned at 11 AM

Respectfully submitted: Carol DeLuga (A special thank you to Elaine Pawlak for taking the notes that made it possible for me to submit these minutes.)