

Pickerel-Kimball Lakes Association Meeting – Minutes

August 30, 2014: Taken by Jen Simpson, Secretary

Location: Camp Newaygo at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda:

1. **Welcome- Camp Newaygo**
2. **Introduction of the PKLA Officers**
3. **Introduction of New Owners on the lakes**
4. **Treasurers Report – Leanne Krystiniak**
5. **Secretary’s Report- Jen Simpson**
6. **Zone Representative Update- Bill Alsover**
7. **Weed Control Update- Lynn Norlin**
8. **Boat Parade Update:**
 - a. **Boat Parade Theme**
 - b. **Date for 2015 Fireworks Celebration - July 4’ 2015**
9. **Fireworks**
10. **New Business**
 - a. **Election of Board Members**
 - b. **Open Question and Answer Time**
 - c. **Date for Spring Meeting – Memorial Day – May 25, 2015**

John Schorr (President – referenced as “S” throughout notes): Thank Camp Newaygo, Krista will give welcome.

Krista: Operations Specialist for Camp Newaygo. We have a wedding this afternoon, camp activities. Brides family from NY, and Groom from MI and overnight stays. . Had 6 weeks of girl’s overnight, 9 weeks coed day camp, diocese for a week, and logo robot week as well. This Sunday, a public zip Line tour from 4-8 for the new zip line. Loop Zip is \$15 and duo zip race for \$12 and both for \$22 and pro experience as well. Take a brochure there are some minimum weights and heights. In Sept will have Kayak paddle event. Doing dinner with Chamber of Commerce. On personal note if you know of anyone who has lost a black cat last week let her know.

S: Set of bifocals washed up shore at our place. Introduced the officers and himself. Round of applause. Introduced new owners: Jeanine and Ron Lemmon spoke and they are on 430 Pickerel Lake Drive. Patriot Country on their boat cover.

Leanne: Beginning balance \$XXXXX, deposits \$XXXX, and bills paid \$XXXX leaving a \$XXXXX balance. Steve has \$99.82 for fishing contest yet to expense. Motion to accept treasurer report, and motion was seconded and aye to accept.

Jen: Secretaries report, minutes were handed out, won’t go through them and any questions let me know. Also, the directory with addendum for 2014 changes is printed out, so please take copy. Any changes I received after today will be in the spring addendum. I received a few today already so there will be changes.

Bill Alsover: Still have some outstanding Zone Rep funds and membership so interim report. And.. will do additional mailing if didn’t get dues in will do mailing and can remind them of dues. But.. as it stands right now, there are 167 residents, 2 fireworks only (renter paid for fireworks). 4 only wanted to be member and not fireworks. Last year we had around 200 members total paid, but expect will be around same # this year when final totals come in.

Lynn Norlin: Weed update. Had terrible spring, and initial weed control app delayed for few reason, but in doing that milfoil pretty much killed in first application, and able to have experiment on eel grass and coming crystal on 29 acres on 2 lakes. Did Pickerel from Channel to Alsover’s and didn’t do north shore. Word is Kimball is doing much better than Pickerel. I think the lake looks pretty good. Can’t get eel grass. Any feedback?

Steve: Coopers bay area seems to be an issue.

Lynn: We have problem with DEQ about area around the Coopers bay. Savin is working with DEQ to get that worked out.

Member (M- go forward in minutes): Eel grass is so high and can’t swim between docks and have to go way out on deep. Wondered choice of side that treated it.

Lynn: Not sure why but we’re limited to 29 acres due to funds maybe Savin can weigh in on that.

M: Weed Mat is terrific and 12X20 it’s movable and eliminates. Camp and Cruise in Marne is where we got them.

M: comment about the zebra mussels and doing testing and DEQ is allowing it to be used in water treatment plants.

Matt (from Savin): There will be some time before we’re allowed to use it.

S: Warren Bender is on Brooks Lake, and he is President of the Lake Board on Weed Treatment, and Matt is with Savin and he is here today.

S: Need to come up for Boat parade this year: Famous cities, animal kingdom, movies? Voting: Famous cites vote: 20 Animals: 9 Movies: 1 . Nina wrote up the article for the Indicator, and they left out the Paul Revere photo from 2014 boat parade photos and that was extraordinary decoration. Additional comment on the Pirate Run Even, we had 20 boats, and successful. It was bigger turnout than prior years.

S: Fireworks discussion. Thought Carl did good job, and we asked him to go to 2 barges from 1, and to have a professional look at the set-up and Carl did that. Carl went the extra step; he covered every tube with aluminum foil.

M: It was longer than last year

S: 2 issues feedback. One was it started late. Carl didn't want to start until the other ad hoc show was done, and we'll pick a time and will do the dock drop letter we'll put the time in but will publish around 10:30 time for the fireworks. Other issue was someone couldn't see fireworks from their place. To solve, we're trying to get Gordon Road shut down for 2015, and then can sit on Channel. Other person went where new homes on point, and one couple set-up there not too far away from the barges, and I will check into that. Try to set it up for multiple options for watching fireworks. Carl got excited. He had 3 new launchers, total 54 circuits, and 15 works on each circuit. Every 6 sec time frame. Carl will be 2 more launchers out of his own pocket, and next year should have 8 or 9 more circuits. He is going to try and buy 3rd barge, and he is into this now. He's going to put an additional \$500 of his own money in for fireworks. He is increasing his investment by better than \$2K. With PKLA having \$XXK in treasury wondered about us providing another \$500 to increased our contribution to \$5K total.

M: move to increase, 2nd all in favor: Aye

M: Does he need more help?

S: Can't load fireworks until day off, and Wolverine set-up all fuses everything and he just had to drop in shells and felt he had plenty of time.

S: New Business, Trudy has asked to retire from the board, and won't run again. Gary Ebels has agreed to run. He is our webmaster, and has the live web cam to look at weather. Motion from the floor to elect Gary as new board member.

M: Motion to move to have Gary on board. M: 2nded. Vote: Aye

S: We should re-elect and Jim Chase and my term up again.

M: Motion to re-elect both Jim and John – both re-elected

S: This is the open and question answer section:

Bill Allover: In spring talked about addressing the run off in the lake

S: Muskegon watershed is going to approach the Fremont community grant, and they like environmental issues. I have to check in with them.

Warren Bender: Still looking into it.

M: Muskegon River Watershed Assembly, we attended and we got a lot of info and it was really good. I had no idea what devastation to the lake we are causing with our sea walls etc... and maybe we should post some info on the web.

S: Yes, it was a good meeting, they offered plants

M: There are natural plants we can plant to slow down the nutrients coming in the streams.

M (Jo Goering): The good plants like cattails do invite the muskrats like you won't believe. You step in one of those tunnels you turn your ankle. We do have traps but only caught 3 or 4 with these traps. Maybe later in season be easier to catch.

M: (Jeanine Lemmon): Looks like there is a stump in Cooper Bay and it was huge and wondered if it gets marked with a buoy.

S: Good point, we should look into getting that marked and it's an inch or 2 under the water. We'll look into that and see.

M: It's dead center between Fox's and the Camp.

M: Not sure if notices around the lake are more, but wanted to say if intentional a thank you.

M: Noticed that someone had spray painted on ground like a utility. I'm representing Doris Schaefer and she noticed something.

S: I can check with them again but unaware of activity related to that.

M: Seems to be much more violation of no wake, and not sure if there is anything that we can do.

S: It's posted by channels, and Switzerland had a problem, and the Sherriff enforces the ordinance. Sheriff comes every Monday and he will go out if a lot of trailers.

M: Seagulls on swim platform, and Dori Pole Flag on dock, and success with that. Owner of company lives on Sylvan Lake and these Dori Poles have helped them.

Gary: Will put the info out on the website who the company is.

M: The green AstroTurf, they don't seem to like that

S: Spring meeting is May 25, 2015. Motion to adjourn.

M: so moved, 2nd. All in favor Aye at 9:45.

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