

# Pickereel-Kimball Lakes Association Meeting – Minutes

May 25, 2015: Taken by Jen Simpson, Secretary

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

## Agenda:

1. Welcome- Camp Henry
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
  - a. Cisco Minnows –Delays Spraying Till June
  - b. Eel Grass Assessment Discussion
8. July 4th Activities:
  - a. Boat Parade Theme (Famous cities) – July 4th, rainout July 11th
  - b. Camp Newaygo – Chinese Lanterns – July 2 – 10 p.m.
9. Camp Newaygo - Dinners
10. New Business

John Schorr (President – referenced as "S" throughout notes): Welcome to our meeting. Thank Camp Henry, Maura will give welcome.

Maura, Camp Henry: Welcome to you today, help yourselves to cinnamon rolls, coffee, and cookies. We are hosting a 5K trail run and hosting it to benefit our scholarship program. Trail run back through the woods, into Devries Wilderness.

S: They are having church services here if you're not familiar with it. Pretty well attended yesterday. Appreciate what they do for us here on the lake. Introduced the Officers. Gary Ebels is the one that keeps our website and has all of our information about the association and the meeting. When there is a notice posted it goes to you via email if you sign up on site. Gary as a webcam you can see the view of the lake anytime of the day.

Are there any new owners. Brad and Wendy Grino - Jim and Lisa Clarks old place. Bliss Lane. Dave Frielieng, Bliss Lane neighbors with Brad and Wendy. Ross and Cheri Spoelma. Valerie Hoppe (sp?)

Leanne: See Treasurers Report. Beginning balance \$XXXXX, deposits \$XXXX, and bills paid \$XXXX leaving a \$XXXXX balance. Motion Accepted, Aye.

Jen: Secretaries report, minutes were handed out, won't go through them but any questions let me know. Also, the directory with addendum for 2015 changes is printed out, so please take copy. Motion to accept the minutes. Aye.

Bill Alsover (Zone Rep): 19 checks that came in ended up with 194 dues paying members. Zone Rep packets are here lined up to pick up. They will pass out to property owners the watercraft rules, with extras to Little Swiss and others as well. A plug on the bottom for the website.

S: When we do the dock drop which is 245 docs between the 2 lakes. Good portion of the people belong as a dues paying member.

Lynn Norlin (Weed Control): Almost didn't get it sprayed this spring, Pickereel Lake has conditions that would support Lake Erie issue and the spraying for algae couldn't happened between Nov 1 and June 1. We got through to them, and gal that gives permits relented and allowed us to spray for algae. Everything was sprayed, chemical on milfoil takes week to 10 days to lay down, and should be in good shape. Our 4 year contract for assessments is up this year. We will have public meeting at Garfield township late summer and will have meeting for adjustment for 2 lakes. Trying to address Eel grass situation, not currently in contract. \$550/acre Eel grass chemical, and Savin that does our treatment, has referenced for Kimball 10-15 acres of eel grass, and 30-35 acres Pickereel to be treated. It's a 1 time treatment each year. Other option is to start raking it out, or pay to have it chemically treated. Prop wash of boats also spreads it. Let everyone mill it over, any and all comments can be sent via email to Lynn at Lakelandhardwood@earthlink.com

Member: Any other way to control it at all, harvest?

Lynn: When they do harvest it spreads, and that's not cheap either, and every year.

Member: current assessments?

Lynn: \$160 Kimball, and \$192 for Pickereel.

Member: Does the area increase if you don't effectively treat it?

Lynn: yes, kind of, it moves areas each year.

Warren Bender: One of key points is that chemicals we use don't kill it. That's why coming to you and only to treat it, need a public hearing to do it. There is constantly new chemicals explored to treat it.

Member: There is no alternative. Either do it, or gets more pervasive.

Member: Weed mat will kill it, but we can't put weed mats everyone.

Member: But the harvesting, just cuts it up?

S: It spreads it around.

Member: Is there any studies on chemical?

Lynn: State allows it to be used, and assume it will be safe chemical.

Member: If people do cut the weeds, collect them.

Members: Jet skis, boats, area by Fox's (former Coopers) corner lots of raking.

S: It's all over the lake right now. Warren Bender is president of Lake Board, and separate from our associations, and has legal right to do assessment and we don't have vote on it. We do have ability in August meeting to support or Nay at it. .

Nina Fox: July 4<sup>th</sup> Activities. Only had 10 boats last year, and give trophies for patriotic instead of theme, and if kids decorate the boat, still give them a prize. We buy a lot of treats. Famous city, is theme this year. Register at 7, and boat parade at 7:30 to not compete with skiers.

S. Dock drop is 2 weeks before. 245 painted rocks Camp Newaygo uses as the weights.

Nina: In August we do treasurer hunt, and looking for volunteers, and will position boats as treasure pick-ups. Come to reed island, and starts at 2 end by 4. August 15<sup>th</sup>, and if rained out its August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We go to downtown Newaygo, and Sportsman's contributes ½ of price, and we give half. Somewhat of a poker card, for every treasurer you get a card.

S: July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks, and Carl is coming back again, and 2 barges like he did last year. No boat area, when we do the dock drop area, and western part of Pickerel, no boat area for safety purposes. It started a little late, 10:15 a little too late. Carl is a purist, so we'll see if we can get him to start a little earlier.

Camp Newaygo, Chinese lanterns, will be on July 2 at 10 p.m. Back, got some if like to purchase, \$5 for 1, or \$5 for \$20. Encourage to get here or Camp Newaygo, a receipt they can give you at Camp Newaygo.

Farm to Table, Ridge Dinners at Camp Newaygo. Review the different options of 3 dinners. Back of sheet is registration or call them, and sign up.

August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Camp Newaygo. Canoe, kayak and culture. Starting at 2:00 – 6 p.m. and 3 course meal at 3 different houses on the lake. This is on our website.

Member: About the lanterns, talked to Camp Newaygo, cause fires, watch them fall into the lake, cause car accidents. Town in China has banned them because dangerous.

S: County of Newaygo has hazardous waste collection, June 6, 8-2 p.m. Emerald and Sylvan association will put up some posters on the loons. We will put up posters and so will they, and law saws they are protected animals.

Member: How much are dues?

S: \$40

Member: Thank our board and committee chairs for their work. Motion to accept.  
Applause

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