

Little Siss Shoreowners Association
May 29, 2004 Minutes

President Renner Johnston called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M. Everyone present introduced themselves.

Jeanne Schnack read the minutes of the previous meeting. They were approved as read.

Mike Skwira gave a treasurer's report.

\$575.00 in dues (31 shoreowners) was collected

Taxes for 2004 are \$3,200.

We have \$3,695. in the bank

Lake Association dues are due on Labor Day.

David Sirianni gave a brief recap of the Stout Island finances. With \$65,000 (\$17,000 in short-term cash) in the endowment fund, we receive an annual income spin-off of \$2,600 to help cover taxes. We also receive funds annually from voluntary contributions.

Currently only 50% of the shoreowners have contributed to the endowment fund. Dick Fleming encouraged all shoreowners to make their contribution to the fund since we all stand to benefit from the island.

Chuck Abrams reported on what had been done to the culvert to correct the lake level problem. This change should also correct the Northern problem.

Advertisements have been seen that mention "1st of 7 lots" being developed on Green Lake (a lake that is only 40 acres).

Jim Kissinger asked that we send a letter to thank everyone involved in resolving the culvert issue and to thank them for completing the repair.

F.Y.I, Soon they will be starting repairs on the bad sections of Cty Rd. BB (from Bar-H south to the culvert).

Muskie season is open. Dell encourages catch & release. If you would like to take a picture of your catch, he cautioned us to leave the fish in the water as long as possible and to take the fish out only long enough to take the picture.

In 1989 there was a lake survey done on Little Siss. Renner feels it may be time for Blue Water Science to update that survey.

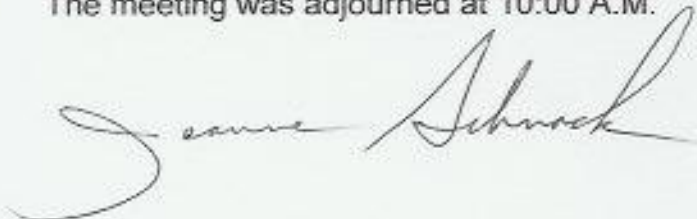
No Loon chicks have been spotted on the lake.

Jeanne Schnack announced that the July 4th barbeque is cancelled this year due to construction on the island.

Karen Skwira suggested we check into a "Quiet Lake" classification

Jim Kissinger mentioned an ordinance on file regarding water skiing hours and motor horsepower maximums. Jim will get a copy of said ordinance for our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.





September 4, 2004 Minutes

President Renner Johnston called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Mike Skwira reported a balance of \$2716.00 in our general operating fund.

Peter Lytle asked that an update on the Stout Island Fund be put in the minutes that are sent out, he is concerned that the fund will eventually be depleted. Peter suggested that the stewardship committee should come up with a plan to cover deficits that may occur in the future.

Renner would like a review of plans for the future stewardship of Stout Island.

Peter Lytle reported that he put a small dock in at Stout Island for easier access for canoers and kayakers. He also mentioned that there has been a large die-off of birch and other soft wood trees on the island and asked if we might be interested in doing any forestry or other type of management. Peter also reminded us that Frank Stout's two wishes were that the island be "accessible" and "managed". Should we plant new trees to replace old ones that have fallen?

Del Anderson brought up the Northern problem. He mentioned that Northerns spawn before Muskies and that there is no way to trap them. He asked that we continue to keep any Northerns that we catch to help keep the population down.

Renner suggested that we all learn what Northerns look like so we can differentiate them from Muskies. Del will get a color photo of Muskies and Northerns to hand out to anyone that needs one.

Del also reported on stocking Little Siss with Walleye. Per Jerry Beaver, it will cost \$6,000. and will require three consecutive years of stocking in order to introduce them into our lake. Frank Pratt does not recommend adding Walleye to our lake because they will deplete our Bass population. It was also mentioned that by adding Walleye to Little Siss we would attract more fishermen from the area.

Fishermen are launching boats near the culvert on a regular basis.

Del has contacted Blue Water Science about doing a lake quality update. He mentioned he would like to meet with them over the winter and write up a program to update the 1989 comprehensive study. We may qualify for a grant to cover the cost of an update that would include plants, fish and water quality.

Jim Kissinger suggested that we contact the Wisconsin Association of Lakes (which we are a member of) to ask for some help with our update.

Renner then talked about the new comprehensive plan for Edgewater Township. Alice Kissinger is on the committee and talked about what they will be doing. Some of the items talked about are: recreation facilities, transportation, medical facilities, retail businesses, fire & safety and environmental concerns. There is a schedule of regular meetings to discuss and make the plan.

It was suggested that we pave the road by Cooks. Renner asked if we wanted, as a group, to apply to Edgewater to pave the parts of B that are not paved. Armond Schneider made a motion to apply to Edgewater to pave the parts that are unpaved. Dick Fleming expressed his opposition to paving B. To clarify: Mallard Lane is a public road, Drake Lane is private.

Renner brought up the # 1-96 (1996) water skiing ordinance. We will send a copy of the Little Siss stewardship rules to all shoreowners to read and post. Jim Kissinger recommended that we as Lakeshore Association members monitor and abide by the stewardship rules that were written and if we see anyone violating these rules, to politely ask them to stop. If these violations continue, we can press for the enforcement of said ordinance.

Margaret Schneider voiced a concern about big motors effecting the water quality and shore erosion. She asked that we all try and be considerate of others on the lake.

Dick Fleming requested that Del ask Blue Water to do a study on motorboats on the lake. He also asked that we honor the no-wake policy by Siriannis.

Peter Lytle recommended the book "Wisconsin Foundations" by Schultz to everyone.

Ray Krolak made a motion that we accept the following new Lakeshore Association officers: President- Chuck Abrams

Vice President- John Montgomery

Treasurer- Mike Skwira

Secretary- Jeanne Schnack

Renner Johnston officially handed over the presidency to Chuck and the meeting was adjourned.

Present: Renner & Jane Johnston, Chuck & Carol Abrams, Margaret & Armond Schneider, John Montgomery, Connie Schield, Jeff Houden, Brad Johnson, Del Anderson, Peter Lytle, Randy Johnson, David & Jill Fagan, Jim & Alice Kissinger, Don Kissinger, Greg Kissinger, Harold Kissinger, David Cook, Jeff Cook, Ellen Frazer, Ray & Irene Krolak, Dick Fleming, Jeanne Schnack

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Schnack

