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## May 27, 2006 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:00A.M. by Chuck Abrams. The September meeting minutes were approved by Lucinda Hruska-Claeys and seconded by Chuck. Mike Skirwa gave the treasurer's report. Current account balance is \$3,040. Real estate taxes are currently \$3,600. Estimated value of the two parcels of land that make up Stout Island is \$330,000 (one parcel is valued at \$173,000. the other one at \$157,000.)

Chuck gave a report outlining the different options for managing Stout Island and it's taxes. One option is to have Edgewater Township rezone Stout Island a nature preserve instead of forested land. Chuck recommended that an agreement by the association members be finalized by this fall. We can make some changes or just let the fund run out to pay the annual taxes. We do have some time to make this decision based on the current taxes.

Peter Lytle suggested that the Stout Island committee come up with a recommendation to vote on by next spring. Peter then made a motion to amend the article to accept the votes by mail for those members that are not able to attend the meeting. Lucinda Hruska-Claeys seconded the motion. All were in favor with the exception of Karen Skwira. Mike stated that we need some clarification as to who should make these recommendations. Currently our board of directors is: Mike & Karen Skwira. Lucinda made a motion to add the current sitting president to the board. All approved the motion.

Next, Peter made a motion that the board of directors meeting be concurrent with our annual meeting. Del Anderson seconded the motion. Everyone was in favor.

Jim Kissinger mentioned that there is an ongoing erosion problem in Pretty Bay. He has talked to some of the landowners in that area about some possible solutions. He is concerned that the culvert may blow out and affect the fish.

We will have an election of officers at our fall meeting. Members will have the option of voting by mail or by proxy.

Waldo Asp will be available to meet on June 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> regarding Mallard Lane. In order to have Edgewater Township plow your driveway they need a minimum of 20 feet in width for clearance.

Del reported that the grant application needs to have a vote resolution in order to be able to file it. The purpose of the grant is for; (1) a baseline to study lake weeds, (2) to update the study of water quality, and (3) a shoreline baseline digital map. Our share will be 25% of the cost of \$9,000. This amount can be paid in the form of a check or " money in kind ". All were in favor of doing as much of the work as possible. Jane Johnston offered to

do the photography. We will need other volunteers to help with other tasks to help keep the cost down.

It appears we have a new Osprey nest on the south end of the lake.

Alberta Dunlap passed away on February 3<sup>rd</sup> at the age of 86.

The motocross track plan has been dropped.

Jane Johnston asked if anyone knew anything about getting Dish Network internet cable installed on Little Siss.

Jim Kissinger requested copies of the Red Cedar Lake-Lake Association newsletter sent out with the minutes.

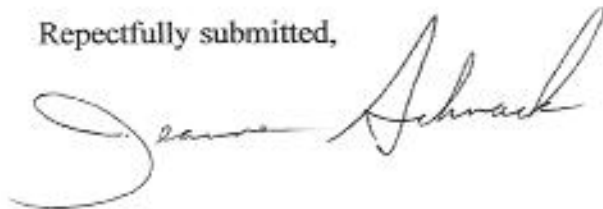
Peter mentioned that the state of Wisconsin is giving incentives to use solar resources.

The annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic & Boat Parade will be held on Sunday July 2 starting at 11:00A.M.

Del Anderson will be our Grand Marshall.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeanne Schnack". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted,".

Present: Chuck & Carol Abrams, Jane & Renner Johnston, John Montgomery, Tom & Jeanne Schnack, Del Anderson, Peter Lytle, Ray & Irene Krolak, Dave, Jill and Molly Fagan, Jim & Alice Kissinger, Mike Kissinger, Don Kissinger, Patrick Corcoran, Mark Johnson, David Cook, Jeff Cook, Armond Schneider, Sam Sirianni, William Button, Marlo & Connie Schield, Mike & Karen Skwira, Lucinda Hruska-Claeys & Patrick

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