

MEETING AGENDA

WHEN: Saturday, September 3, 2011

WHERE: Pine Ridge Lodge

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

Call to order

Speaker: Kelly Maki from the Sawyer County Zoning & Conservation Dept. will give a brief talk and answer questions about lake invasive species.

Secretary's Report: Alice Kissinger

Treasurer's Report: Mike Skirwa

Wildlife Report: Del Anderson

Election of Officers:

President: Ron Marquis

Vice-President: Chuck Abrams

Secretary: Alice Kissinger

Treasurer: Mike Skwira

Little Sissabagama Shoreowners Association

Memorial Day meeting- May 28, 2011

Pine Ridge

We were called to order at 9:00 am by Jean Schnack. Rick Remington, conservationist for the Western Wisconsin Land Trust, was in attendance to explain the changes that have occurred in that organization within the last year.

The board of WWLT voted to remove Rick Gauger from his position as head of WWLT due to mismanagement of the trust and suspicion of mismanagement of the trust credit card. More than \$60,000 is missing. The board, working with the Menomonie police department, filed felony theft charges involving both Rick G and his assistant..

Rick R. entertained questions from those in attendance and what follows are some of the answers pertaining to our association's involvement with WWLT.

Our conservation easement will stand.

WWLT will not dissolve.

The Wisconsin State DNR still has the records and is still interested in dedicating the island as a state natural area.

1. The use of the island won't change.

2. Included in the description of the natural area needs to be terms for public use that imply; hunting, fishing, trapping, hiking, skiing. Rick recommends the term "Nature-based outdoor activities", so people would know it would be open for outdoor-based activities.

This document still needs signatures and final approval of all parties to be final. Jean will continue working with WWLT and the DNR to obtain continuity between the two documents.

The formal meeting was then called to order.

The minutes of the Labor Day, 2010 meeting were approved with the correction identifying the land where people are dumping boats into Little Sis, as Harold Kissinger's, not the Fagan's.

Treasurer's report- There is \$3348.00 in the Little Sis account. The taxes on the island were \$2727. Mike will instruct one of his sons in procedures for filing necessary papers for our association. This needs to be done annually because we are a 501c3 organization, and to neglect this would jeopardize that status.

Mike also reported that the Stout Island fund is \$93,000 and generates an income of \$5950 per year.

Jim Kissinger reminded us that due to the fine tuning of lake classifications, Sawyer County Zoning has classified us as a wilderness lake. The new NR 115 changes will be incorporated within the existing zoning regulations. Public hearings will begin this summer. Copies were distributed, but if you have questions call the Sawyer County Zoning Administration at 715-634-8288.

The grocery store annual meeting will be June 4, 2011. Jim mentioned a capital campaign which netted \$54570, this winter. It was instrumental in keeping the store open. The board is looking for any constructive ideas to increase sales through the winter months.

Del Anderson reported that it's time to put out feeders for orioles and hummingbirds. The loons are nesting across from Doug Dunlap's place. Four wolves were sighted on the lake this winter.

Jeanne Schnack said that our annual 4th of July picnic will be on Sunday, July 3 from 12 noon until 3:00 pm. If people want to parade on the lake we should meet at noon at the island boathouse. It will be an event for people to get together and each family should bring their own food. She reminded us that they have moved to Switzerland, but she will be in residence at the lake for the summer, while Tom remains abroad.

Scott Sexter was in attendance and asked whether anyone still needed the Dunlap boat landing. His phone is 865-2527.

A discussion on the Peter Lytle memorial pier noted there is a tree poised to land on the pier. Questions were whether to move the pier, lengthen the pier, or take the tree down. No decision was made.

The next meeting will be Sept 3, on Labor Day weekend. At that time we will be voting on a slate of officers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Alice Kissinger, Secretary
Attending were:
Paul Houden,
John and Joan Montgomery
Molly Tomczak
Dianne Nelson
Jim Fagen
Chuck and Carol Abrams
Ron and Lois Marquis
Karen and Mike Skwira
Renner Johnston
Jim and Alice Kissinger
Mark Johnson
Greg Kissinger
Don Kissinger
Marlo Schield
Del Anderson
Everett Myers