

Annual Picnic Meeting
July 16, 2022

Meeting was held at Levi's field, with kid games at 4:00 and potluck starting at 5:00. Social time was shortened up a bit because of threat of rain

Board members present: Chuck Pettipiece, Jim Luttrell, Jerry Finnerty, Linda Berglund, Pam Nordahl, Tom Stremski, Leo Offerman
Absent: Gwen Geithman and Patrice Bogart

There were approximately 74 people present including 5 children.

Acceptance of the fall minutes were accepted by Leo Offerman and seconded by Jim Luttrell.

Jerry Finnerty, Treasurer gave yearly report. Our starting balance was \$8557.00. We had 92 paying members last year. We have only 38 paying members currently. It was suggested this might be because no return envelope was included with the newsletter and also because of the big storm that caused widespread damage on the lakes. We had \$740 in revenue. Our expenses included pontoon repairs at \$738.00, calendars at a cost of \$749.00, \$293.81 for picnic prizes. Our ending balance is \$7099.00. We are using Paypal now when people pay their dues online, but will consider changing to Venmo because there are no fees incurred.

There are 4 or 5 new families on the lakes. They were welcomed. Leo will make signs for them.

There are 4 open positions this year: Chuck Pettipiece as President, Jim Luttrell as Vice President, Patrice Bogart as Director, and Gwen Geithman as Director. Chuck, Jim, and Patrice agreed to serve another term. Linda Ferdleman agreed to replace Gwen as Director. Nominations were closed.

Our speaker from the DNR canceled at the last moment, so there was no speaker this year.

Paying members were given a ticket for the raffle of the prizes. Jim Luttrell purchased these items. Winners were:

Outdoor Air Mattress	Jim Luttrell
Motor Oil	Kathy Dorfner
Blue Tooth Speaker	Erica Stremski
Char Broil Grill	Rick Henderson(not claimed) Mike Markell
Engle Bait Cooler	Ernie Miller
Insect Fogger	Tony Levi
Adult guessing game	Tied by Ann Caspers and Tricia Pettipiece but donated to Tony Levi
Childrens guessing game	Thor Kline

There were 7 boats in our 4th of July Boat parade.

Jim Luttrell spoke about our fishing contest. There were 19 adults and 8 kids who participated. This year there were 3 walleyes submitted, while there were 0 last year. The DNR stocks our lakes every 3 years with walleye fingerlings. There has been discussion of privately stocking with more and larger walleye, but we would forever lose our DNR stocking. The DNR has deemed our lakes as not very suitable for walleye, but members are reporting catching them. Members are asked to report with pictures their walleye catch on our website.

A cleanup of the Mud Brook is needed. Jim Luttrell will coordinate this when the water levels are appropriate. There are some downed trees.

Mark Caspers is handling reservations for the pontoon trailer. Members are asked to use it gently, and to limit your time to one hour on the weekend. This is not so critical during the week.

Our non profit status was approved this year. We are approved for 501(c)(3) status. This means our membership dues are tax deductible. It will also make it easier for us to get help if we find invasive species in our lakes. We received final approval in January. Thanks to Chuck Pettipiece for this research.

Our calendars, which included pictures submitted by members, were well received. Chuck supplied ice out dates and hunting and fishing dates. Nineteen people submitted pictures for a total of 30. Everyone of those people had at least one picture shown in the calendar. By a show of hands, people requested that we do this again next year. Everyone on the lake received a hand delivered calendar. We purchased 200. The remainder are available for sale at \$5.00 apiece , or 5 for \$20.00. We will discuss the costs for next year.

Thanks were given to Therese Offerman for her excellent work and maintenance of our website.

We, again, had a box for donations to the Emily Food shelf. The Association will match cash for all donations. In a final accounting, there were 35 lbs, of food collected and \$151.00 in cash , which the Association matched. We also received 2 anonymous donations totaling \$550.00 after the picnic. The total amount associated with our Lake Association was \$902.00.

Chuck brought up the possibility of our sponsoring a Youth Operator Training Program. This will be up for further discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Berglund, Secretary