

Lower Nemahbin Lake Association

2018 Annual Meeting

Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, August 13, 2018, 7:00 PM

Meeting Place: Delafield Brewhaus, 3832 Hillside Drive, Delafield WI

Attendees: About 74 people attended the meeting.

Educational Program: Henry Elling, Village of Summit Planner.

Henry discussed shoreland regulation, including a brief history since 2010 of changing Village codes in order to coordinate with changing State statutes. This includes setbacks for decks and patios, impervious surface regulations, and limitations on “boat houses”. Henry described the permitting procedures and the interactions with the DNR. Henry responded to a number of questions from the floor.

President’s Report: Jim Keller

Jim Keller, LNLA President, gave a report on the Association’s accomplishments over the last 12 months. These included a 15% increase in membership to 75, successful Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) and milfoil efforts (fund raising, mapping, education, treatment, and follow-up assessment), expanded water quality monitoring, the Spring Social event, the July 4th activities, publication of the second annual Members Directory, monitoring of area developments that could impact the lake, obtaining the latest DNR fisheries report, and interaction on lake issues with other area lake leaders. Jim also reviewed the near and long-term goals: increase membership, increase volunteer participation, control Eurasian Water Milfoil, detect and respond to the introduction of new AIS, continue water quality monitoring, start a “clean boats/clean waters” program to reduce the spread of invasive species, and provide additional social opportunities.

Board of Directors Elections

Jim Keller conducted the election process for the slate of 4 positions. The Members elected the following:

- Jim Keller, President and Secretary – 2 year term
- Paul Keenan, Director – 2 year term
- Jim Mateer, Director – 2 year term
- Nancy Mathiowetz, Director – 2 year term

Jim Keller thanked Michael Carton and Anne Wall for their service on the Board.

Adopt 2019 budget

Jim Keller presented the proposed 2019 budget, as recommended by the Board, for approval by the Members. The proposed budget, which includes keeping the annual

dues at \$40, had been posted to the website prior to the meeting. After some discussion, the Members voted without dissent to approve the budget.

Approve Articles of Incorporation Changes

Jim Keller presented a proposal to change the Articles of Incorporation, as recommended by the Board of Directors, so as to bring them into conformance with the Bylaws and other requirements for IRS 501(c)(3) tax exempt status.

After some discussion, the Members voted without dissent to approve the proposed change to the Articles of Incorporation.

AIS (including milfoil) Control Effort

Jim Keller reviewed the past and current year efforts. Divers hand pulled Eurasian Water Milfoil in June, routine monitoring for new AIS was initiated using trained volunteers, and a meander survey of the lake was conducted by the Waukesha County AIS coordinator team. Future work includes publishing a 2018 end-of-season AIS summary on the LNLA website, possible joint work with Upper Nemahbin in controlling AIS on adjoining sections of the lakes, and possibly creating a “clean boats – clean waters” boat inspection program here to reduce the spread of EWM and other AIS.

Water Quality

Jim Keller reviewed the activities in water quality. Volunteers have been taking regular measurements of water clarity and lake level. In 2018 we applied for and received a DNR grant to cover the costs of training and supplies for our volunteers to perform additional water quality monitoring, part of the Citizen Lake Monitoring Network. We initiated water sampling for several key parameters including phosphorous, chlorophyll, dissolved oxygen, and suspended solids. Results are found on the DNR/CLM website.

DNR Fisheries Report

Jim Keller reported that we obtained from the DNR their recently completed “2016 Nemahbin Lakes Fisheries Summary Report”. The DNR surveyed the numbers and sizes of fish in 2016. The report indicates the “Nemahbin Lakes showed excellent sport fishing diversity as well as quality size structure”. Printed copies of the report were available in the room. The report is also available on the LNLA website. There was some discussion of inviting the DNR fisheries biologist who worked on the survey and report to speak to a future LNLA informational meeting.

Volunteer opportunities

Jim Keller discussed that volunteers are crucial to the success and continued operation of the LNLA. He asked people to consider participation in any of the volunteer areas. Members were directed to a sign-up sheet if they had any interest in being more involved in the LNLA.

Member comments

There was a comment thanking all of the existing LNLA volunteers for their work.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, August 21, 2018 by

Jim Keller
LNLA President and Secretary

Approved by LNLA Board of Directors: October 16, 2018