

Sugar Lake Association
Board of Directors Meeting
May 17, 2014
Corinna Town Hall

Board Members Present:

J.Jonswold, M.Mengelkoch, L.Erickson, D.Gustafson, P.Gustafson, K.Sutherland, C.Beckman, J.Tift, J.Juntunen, B. Peltier, P.Ramme, G.Borrell, T. Richter

Members Absent: *D. Peterson, C.Quiggle, J.DeGrood, K.VandeSteege*

I. Meeting Called to Order at 8:05 A.M. (Chair K. Sutherland)

II. Attendance/Roll Call (Secretary L. Erickson)

III. Acceptance of April minutes

- **Motion (P.Gustafson)/2nd-(M.Mengelkoch)/Motion carries**

IV. Open Mic – None

Report from Matthew Sturm from Wright County Sheriff Office

- Sheriff – Water Patrol no longer providing training for water patrol, Someone from sheriff office is on the lake a couple times each weekend and definitely on holiday weekends
- Jake Hermanson at Wright County Sheriff – responsible for oversight of the lakes
- Any water patrol would operating under the Sugar Lake Association-purpose would be mostly for education, can report to Sheriff via 911. Refer to DNR Boating & personal watercraft guides, Wright County ordinance.

V. Treasurer's Report (J.Juntunen)

As of April 30, 2014

General Fund	\$20,276.13
Lake Improvement Fund	\$39,924.28
Milfoil & Invasive Species Fund	\$142,725.24
Total All Funds	\$202,925.65

- **Motion to accept-(P. Gustafson)/2nd-(D. Gustafson)/Motion passes**

VI. Committee Reports

A. Membership (C. Beckman)

- 177 paid Memberships 66% to goal
- Include in Newsflash – If you have new neighbors, contact Cathy Beckman
- The Sugar Lake Summer – Membership event – June 21 at 11am at Corinna Town Hall – Hot Dogs and lemonade, tables with info on membership, summer events(5K, golf), kids activities, Monarch display, Historical displays of Sugar Lake, Membership, Control of Invasive species & GPS mapping, Zebra Mussels- Bricks, Apparel, SUP's Kayaks.

B. Fisheries (P. Gustafson)

- Continually monitoring Carp Trap - Checking 3 times a week
- Flow at Carp barrier fairly minor – Door is closed

C. Water Quality Statistics – 5-16-14 (D. Gustafson)

- Culvert Inlet 24.25– 2 “ above OHWL
- Outlet 28.25”
- Water Quality - 9.5
- Water Temp 48 degrees at 9 ft
- Air Temp 49 degrees
- Fast flow thru culvert
- Loons nesting, Sandhill Cranes

D. Water Quality (D.Gustafson)

- Mapping with depth finders – finding no growth
- Deadline for water treatment June 1
- SLA Volunteer Hats and vests–Have 8 DNR AIS hats–want flag on the boat when mapping.
- Soil and Water dedicated engineering to us – working on Hollister and 110th - Stewart property
 - Large buffer zone between 115 and 117
 - Berm burn happened last week
- Need a couple volunteers to spray cottonwoods when they start to regrow
- COLA has brochures. It will be included with the May Newsletter.
- *2 new COLA members Cathy Jonsrud and Chris Olson*
- *Tax bill completed after 15 years of work to get dedicated money for healthy waters - both houses signed AIS 10Million annually based on # of landings and # of parking spaces, partial reimbursement for AIS treatment. We are only 5 lakes.*

E. Lake Vegetation (D.Gustafson)

- Sending notices in the mail to the property owners near the treatment areas.

F. Lakescapers (K.Sutherland)

Plant Exchange /Sale: 9am – Noon, May 24 (over 200 plants), Zebra Bricks will be available

G. Communications (D.Peterson)-See newsletter

H. Education (R. Elsner)- no report

I. Government Liaison (C. Quiggle)

New cell phone tower on north end

Corinna Township clean-up July 27 7:30 - Noon

VII. Old Business

- A. DNR AIS Prevention Grant Proposal Awarded – Educational material from the DNR, \$420.
- Motion request to cover co-pay of \$180 (1st-**T. Richter**, 2nd **P.Gustafson**)
 - DNR access monitoring - Need to hire people to do the monitoring at \$10/hr - 304 hours will be paid by SLA – waiting for County to approve
 - Volunteer access monitoring-3 people trained on May 3
 - Invasive Species Conference poster abstract accepted – <http://www.umisc2014.org/>
 - Kids Don't Float Program –tabled due to no interest

VIII. New Business

- A. Need Board Nominations – six 3-year and one 2-year – Promote at membership table
- B. Board Gathering - Aug 16 - For current and new Board members
- C. Picnic – Requesting donations from members – Mike will collect donations
- D. Lake Safety Committee– 3 people interested – role is education for water safety, although as lake property owners we are all responsible for water safety,
Reauthorize the Water Safety Patrol to implement this educational philosophy – nominated Doug Beckman as the chair and will select the committee members (1st T. Richter, 2nd P. Gustafson)
motion carries
- **Next Board Meeting – June 21**

IX. Adjournment - Meeting Adjourned at 10:05A.M.

- **Motion (1st B. Peltier, 2nd T. Richter)/motion carries**

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Erickson, Secretary