Sugar Lake Association Meeting Minutes Via Zoom

August 15.2020

Call to order

A meeting of the Sugar Lake Association was held via Zoom on August 15, 2020 By Keith Theisen

Members in Attendance

Attendees included Scott Radke, Keith Theisen, Jan Tift,, Mark Snyder,, Dan Erdman, Steve Kowalczyk, Jim Schimelpfenig, Dave Arnason, Nick Hadfield,,Peter Ramme, Diane Hall, Tom Nimmo

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance included Mark Kraemer, Doug Miller, Mark Ertl, Mike Emerson, Dan Salfer, Rob Gusaas

Non Members in Attendance: Dale Gustafson, Don Peterson

Approval of Minutes: Accepted by Rob Gusaas Seconded by Dan Erdman

Open Mic: none

Committee Reports

- A. Chairman's Report:
- B. Membership: Keith Theisen Fundraising is doing well. Membership and donations exceeded
- C. Treasurers Report: Tom Nimmo. We have \$245,000. Still getting membership and Raffle tickets
- D. Governmental Relations. None
- E. Fisheries: Jim Schimelphenig: Carp Trap
- F. Water Quality Stats: Dan Erdmann.

On 8/11/20 lake readings were taken at 12:15 PM and are as follows: Water Clarity was 13 Feet Water Temp at 13 Feet was 78° Air temp was 80° Culvert Inlet was 18" Culvert outlet was 23 1/2" No visible flow. Possible damn down stream? Condition was a 2, slight green algae tint F.Vegetation/Water Quality: Dale Gustafson.

They have been out to look at Curly Leaf and we are making progress. Eurasian Millfoil has not increased so we will not treat at this time. It could be treated up until the fall. We do have Northern Native Milfoil. We may be getting more crosses between Eurasian and Native Northern Milfoil. They have identified some areas of Curly. They could not find a trace of Starry Stonewort. They did not think that Zebra Mussels were less than expected at this time. At this time we do not have anything we can do about Zebra Mussels but they are working on the research. They will continue to inspect through November. Peter Ramme asked if we should be testing more areas in addition to the boat landings. Jim S suggested that the sandy area where boats congregate should also be inspected. Dale will ask them to inspect this area as well.

G. Communications

- Newsletter: Boat parade, raffle, election, facebook, website
- Website: Jan Tift: Continue to send information to Jan Tift fprr ideas on updates to the Website. We need to look at getting some expertise for our website. We need to put out a newsflash to recruit someone to work on our Website. The Weebly platform has some limitations.
- Facebook Page: We now have a Facebook Group and as of today 235 members have joined. The Sugar Lake Spirit Facebook group is working much better than Sugar Lake Facebook Community page so the Community page has been taken down.

H. Community Relations

- The junk drop off for Corinna is on July 25
- Bob Gruys is developing 3 lots on the lake where the property is where boats congregate.

Old business

Picnic Alternative: Judged Boat Parade on August 1st. Dan recommended that we ask Carl Enghauser, Marilyn Anderson, Barb Menth, the Collins family and the Quinns to be judges and have boats pass by their places. Dan Erdman will contact these people to judge the parade. The boat parade will begin on August 1 at 1pm. Dan, Jan and Dan will iron out the details.

There will be prizes for every person participating! Grand Prize Winners and Raffle Winners will be Announced at 4 PM on Facebook Live on our Sugar Lake Group Facebook Page!! To sign up members go to https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D49AEAB2AAA8-2020

There is no fee to enter! Entrants will receive a number via email and make a large sign of the number to place on the Starboard (Shore) side of their Boat and meet at the South Landing at 1pm in any order. Numbers must be visible . There will be judges around the lake so make sure that everyone goes counter clockwise from the landing and include the north bay.

New business

Vegetation: (Dale) Vegetation that is cut up from boats is becoming a problem especially from evening cruises. It is affecting the quality of the lake when props chop up the vegetation. Dale suggested that we develop a Sugar Lake Map to show where boats should be going and staying away from. Discussion on using a DNR topographical map along with drone photos to show boaters where they should be going to avoid the rocks and the weeks. It should be published on website and Facebook to educate boaters. We need to get it out ASAP. Dale, Jim and Scott will do a temporary map. Boaters should stay at a minimum of 10 feet of water. We can use the Drift Map (Nathan Tift) to print and pass out at the landings.

Election Judge was Don Peterson. We had 74 votes which is the most we have ever had so the electronic slate worked well.

1. Kim Hanson

2. Trudy Richter

4 Todd Jackson

5 Lisa Salfer

6 Kevin Welle

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Timmo and was seconded by Rob Gusaas

Jan Tift

Secretary

Meeting of New Board Members Dan, Kim, Tom, Keith, Rob, Nick, Mark, Steve,