

**PLPOA Annual Meeting Minutes**  
**10:00am July 30, 2011**  
**Dining Hall, Fair Hills Resort**

Attending: K. Erickson, F. Manuel, D. Majkrzak, D. Meidinger, K. Hart, P. Tollefson, J. Friederichs, D. Anderson, J. Sugihara, J. Beckstrom, M. MacLeod, S. Duemeland, R. Swanson, N. Valentine, S. Trepp, S. Hinsperger, C. Skistad, J. Prondzinski, H. DeHollander, M. Donnan, A. Kelsven.

Not Attending: K. Kapaun, J. Delvo, D. Gordon, K. Hovey, M. Ostbye, C. Winter, F. Engkjer, L. Fitzgerald, B. Jenkins, G. Lawrence, G. Martin, H. Friend, M. Lystad, G. Nelson, H. Ottoson, J. Peltier, M. Sletten, C. Solum

Ken Erickson called the meeting and started with the pledge of allegiance.

The agenda was approved as presented.

Ken gave a thank you to the greeters today: Sue Hinsperger, Lee and Charlotte Skistad.

Wayne Johnson, Otter Tail County Commissioner, gave a presentation to the members. He started with mentioning the high water issues around the county and how much time that takes away from regular work issues. There is some reorganizing in the County, starting with the cutting of department heads and merging of duties. There is also discussion on the merging of county services by networking services and staff throughout Minnesota.

-Land and Resources has just modified what can be used as 'pervious surface'. Some smaller rock can be placed with the underlayment of mesh, breathable black cloth, for this to be called pervious surface. Not the use of plastic, run off material. Also not in driveways that can be packed to prevent runoff. There is discussion on the use of pavers in some areas, and that may be approved later this year.

-Septic systems in Otter Tail County will be inspected within the next 18 months. Pelican Lake area has already been inspected in the past four years.

-Highway 9 is on schedule for the first ½, from Cty Hwy 34 up to the public access on South Pelican Drive. There are permit that still need to be signed before this can proceed. The second ½ should follow after this phase.

Dave Majkrzak attended a conference this spring in St. Cloud, presented by Minnesota Waters. There were several separate seminars presented. Dave attended seminars on invasive species.

-Carp is an invasive species in Pelican Lake. They eat other small fish, and they live to be several years old. Bait fish in other area are gone because of the carp. **Sun Fish eat carp eggs!**

-Zebra Mussels have been in Pelican Lake for about four years. There are some products being tested that may help control these zebra mussels. **Pumpkin sun fish eat small zebra mussels!**

-There is a presentation by Dr. Malloy on Zebra Mussels. <http://minnesotawaters.org/content/zebra-mussel-collection-zequanoxtm-efficacy-evaluation-douglas-county> This is also being added to our PLPOA website.

Don Meidinger, Treasurer, gave a report on the year end for 2010 with distributions listed. Yearend balance \$80,301.82. He also presented the year to date for 2011. Current balance is \$79,657.64 and he expects that the yearend expenses will equal the income for this year. The report was filed for audit.

Minutes from the June 3<sup>rd</sup> Spring Meeting were approved as presented.

Aldie Kelsven discussed the membership. Currently at 846 paid members with about 19 beach folders not returned.

Karen Hart covered the nominations of board officers for Nancy Kapaun. The lists of officers elected were: Jim Beckstrom, Julie Friederichs, Kathy Hovey, Mike Ostbye, Jim Prondzinski, Nick Valentine, Curt Winter and Sue Hinsperger. , going off of the board are: Jack Delvo, Dave Gordon and Pat Tollefson. A motion from Ken Erickson to approve the slate of officers was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Herrmann. Approved.

Ken Erickson read a list of reports submitted by Jeff Peltier.

-Communication: The third printing of the Pelican Brief is at press.

-The captains did a very good job of getting more emails this summer. We now cover about 70% of the lake with E-communication. This is quickest and most economical way to get information out to our members.

-Website "pelicanlakemn.org" is constantly updated and has a wealth of information and can be much more detailed than either our E-communication or newsletter the Brief. Viewership has doubled from 2010!!

-Pelican Lake Sailing School just finished another very successful year of youth sailing. 27 kids participating this year. Thank you to the PLPOA for the continued support to help bring down the cost per student.

-Pelican Lake has achieved MN Star Lake Status!! This is a huge deal. There are no other 'Star' lakes in Otter Tail or Becker Counties. There are several qualifying requirements necessary to achieve this promotion.

-New Pelican Lake Signs are up around the lake. Thanks to Ken Erickson and Rocky Swanson for the help.

-Pelican Lake dam and Cormorant-Ida water agreement updates. Cormorant Watershed has now hired Bob Merit to help work on the agreement. Bob was DNR but has retired and works privately. Pelican Lake has moved up the list for repairs to the Dam. It maybe next year for repairs.

-Flowering Rush Control. No new patches this year were found.

Ken Erickson discussed the Swim Program as Faye Engkjer was not present. We will need a new site for the swim program in 2012.

Ken Erickson mentioned that the cleanup day in June went well. There were a few sites that had excessive collections. He will follow up with the property owners.

Jim Prondzinski handles the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. He was pleased that there were over 20 floats in the parade. Next year the theme will be 'Favorite Person-s'.

Nick Valentine said that the fireworks started a little early to beat the lightening storm. There are losing cars from the parking lot and a loss of donation envelopes. The volunteers went above and beyond by staying with the parking lots through the rain... A thank you to Chuck Solum, Skip Duemeland, Mr. Berg, Bruce Swanson and Al Wiig.

-a straw poll was taken to see if the members would like to change the fireworks to another day other than the 4<sup>th</sup>. Slightly more voted to keep the fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup>. More discussion will be at the executive board meeting.

Rocky Swanson handled the clean up on July 5<sup>th</sup>. Started at 8:00 and left the fields better than when they started.

A thank you to Doug Burgum for the use of the fields. Also a thank you to Jim Beckstrom, Gregg and Janis Gustafson, and Nick Valentine for their help. The Pelican Rapids 4-H also was paid to help with clean up.

Ken Erickson reminded the majors and captains to turn in their folders as soon as possible.

PGOLID Annual Meeting will be August 13<sup>th</sup> at Fair Hills Resort.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Aldie Kelsven

Pelican Lake Property Owners Association

