

OTTER TAIL LAKE'S PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOC. INC.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Aug.22nd, 2024 6:00PM

OTTER

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by President Gerken. Members present: Kemling, Oxberry, Tysdal, Kuder, Swanson, Wendt, Wentz, Hunke, Carlisle Absent: Long, Mourtisen, Hanson, Skogen, Ness

Approval of Agenda- unanimously approved as distributed

Approval of Minutes-unanimously approved as distributed

Approval of Bills –Approved unanimously

Presidents Report- President Gerken discussed our annual meeting change from Sat. AM to evening meeting. Majority of board liked the change, discussed ways to improve turnout, get younger people involved. Board is asked to think of ways to improve turnout and will continue discussion at our September meeting.

Committee Reports

Membership- membership as of Aug. 22nd- 1001 members. Skogen will update board on details about setting up payment process through 1st National Bank of Ottertail at our Sept. meeting.

Auditing/Finance-Hunke suggested setting up a committee for swimming lessons if we are going to pay for them going forward. Gerken will check with foundation to get details on how many took part in swimming lessons this year. Hunke is working with an accounting firm in Fergus Falls for our annual audits, will update when he has more information.

DNR/GOV'T- Nothing at this time

Water Testing- Long 6 ft. Deer 13 ft. Blanche 8 ft. Ottertail 10 ft. / 11 ft. Walker 11 ft., Round 9 ft.

COLA- Nick Kludt, Red River Fisheries Specialist for the Minnesota DNR, was the featured speaker at OTC COLA's Annual Meeting at the Ottertail Community Center in Ottertail, MN on August 15, 2024. His work area covers the Red River of the North and its Minnesota tributaries,

where he works on a wide array of river and fish management issues. Nick's presentation focused on local fish management within the larger context of Northwest Minnesota. River systems are managed at a landscape-level, and the interconnection of lake and river habitats is critical for long-term system function. The presentation included regional history, fish reproduction & migrations, habitat management, and how current actions create positive outcomes for rivers and local lakes, now and in the future.

Communications/Lakeshore News- Wentz discussed delay of Aug. LSN, will check with BL Review on status.

Website-Kuder added links from our annual meeting to the website and will track visits to our website.

Facebook –Nothing at this time

Worm- Discussed possibility of not having to collect for spraying next year, will continue to discuss possibilities of how we will handle this next year.

Foundation- Kemling discussed cost sharing with foundation for membership as we collect funds for them. Board voted to approve deducting expenses from foundation donations collected from membership mailings. Gerken will advise foundation of this change and get minutes from Aug. meeting.

Social- September meeting will be at Beach Bums 6PM, spouses are invited to attend

Old Business-Gerken discussed insurance for the board, board discussed the pros and cons of why we need insurance. Gerken will have more information of costs at our September meeting.

Hunke suggested a committee to explore solutions for swimmers itch, Carlisle, Hunke and Kuder will serve on this committee. Kemling will contact Jim Wolters for info from DNR.

New Business-Tysdal will check with Ottertail city to see if we can have a key instead of having to call and pick one up for our meetings.

Election of officers delayed until September meeting

Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Next meeting is Sept. 26nd 6:00PM

