

NSTLRA BOARD MEETING
Thursday, July 9th, 2015
Northern Exposure, Phelps, WI

Members in attendance: President Roger Ganser, Vice-President Bob Bailey, Treasurer Dick Donarski, Ron and Kay Ottoson, Mike Schindler, Margot Peterson, Steve Bahrke, Cap & Denise Pedersen

Members not in attendance: John Hyde

Minutes: Mike Schindler motions to accept the minutes of the June 18th board meeting; Ron Ottoson seconds and they are approved.

Annual Meeting: Roger Ganser announces we have a candidate for Treasurer, Joe Fritzsche. Roger asks if anyone has additions to the draft agenda for the annual meeting. Roger has talked with Laura Babe about a memorial for her father, Steve Hash. Laura would like to see a fund for buoy maintenance.

Lake Management: Cap reports that hand pulling is going on in North Twin now. The EWM is in 10% of the area on South Twin were it can grow. Eddie Heath said it was pointless to hand pull in South Twin.

Newsletter: Margot had the newsletter at the printers on time, but they had a collating issue and it went out late. Roger Ganser suggests we might want to explore Office Max for printing in the future to get a competitive bid. Roger asks Margot if we can include more pictures in the newsletter; Margot suggests perhaps a collage of photos from the summer events. Margot's goal is to make the newsletter very readable; everyone agrees that the current format is good. Margot asks about an article on the Great Headwaters Trail. Mike Schindler moves to donate to GHT, Kay Ottoson seconds and the board approves a \$100 donation. Margot wants to make sure the newsletter reflects what everyone expects. Roger says we have gotten great feedback on the spring newsletter. In the fall, he says we should include a summary of the summer events and Roger feels we need to promote the AMEN Fund. Dick Donarski feels that half of property members join NSTLRA and half of those (roughly 115) contribute to the AMEN Fund. Cap asks about trying for a Lake District again. Roger thinks they only got 49% approval 10 years ago. Cap asks if an article could go in the newsletter telling what lakes have a lake district in our are and what the average assessment is; Mike Schindler thinks Jim Fruth may have that information. Roger asks Cap if he can find out what the Long Lake assessment is for their lake district.

Treasurer's Report: Dick Donarski reports we have a balance of \$8203.28 in the checking account and \$81,352.63 in the AMEN Fund. He has received 85 memberships and says this is very low for this time of year. Denise thinks in the past we have sent a separate membership mailing from the newsletter. Denise will send out a membership letter by email but suggests we may need to do a mailing. Dick asks what the thoughts are of putting up a Treasurer's Report at the Annual Meeting. Bob Bailey suggests that people may look at the balance of the AMEN Fund and ask why we

aren't treating the lake this summer. Dick will talk about how fast that fund could be depleted at the meeting.

Clean Boats/Clean Water: Mike reports that Mary had a good conversation with one of the interns, Katie. Katie has seen a lot of boat traffic at the Phelps Landing. She also is working on Big Portage and has much less traffic there.

Social: Kay Ottoson reports we are set with plans for the Anniversary Party on August 15th. Denise has printed flyers and they are handed out and will be available at the Annual Meeting. Kay says Oneida Village will be catering a prime rib dinner and we will charge \$28 per person and it will be BYOB with ice and cups provided. Bob and Nancy Bailey have donated a canoe for a raffle and Denise will send out an email soliciting prizes from any artisans or craftspeople on the lake. An email flyer will also be sent out. Ron Ottoson reports the Golf Outing set for July 31st at Sand Lake with lunch to follow at the Sand Lake Club. it is \$35 for golf and lunch and \$15 for lunch only. The Poker Run is on July 18th, 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

The next meetings are on August 11th and September 22nd.

The meeting is adjourned at 9:43 AM