

NSTLRA BOARD MEETING
Thursday, June 16, 2015
Northern Exposure, Phelps, WI

Members in Attendance: President Roger Ganser, Treasurer Dick Donarski, Mike and Mary Schindler, Kay and Ron Ottoson, Cap, Vice President Bob Bailey and Steve Bahrke, and past directors Ginny Parker and Joe Wallace.

Members Not in Attendance: Margot Peterson, John Hyde, Denise Pedersen

Minutes: It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the May 26, 2015 Board Meeting, and the minutes are approved.

Treasurer's Report: Dick Donarski reported that we have approximately \$6200 in the NSTLRA checking account and \$79,548 in the AMEN account. A task force composed of Dick, Bob and Mike will review historic annual contributions to the AMEN and do an analysis of revenue and expenses to cover total lake EWM treatment on South Twin every 4-5 years.

Lake Treatment: Cap reported on the meeting with Eddie Heath from Onterra attended by Cap, Steve, Ron, Mike and Roger. Eddie reported that spot treatments, like was done on ST after the total lake treatment, were not effective. Because of rapid dissipation most effective were total lake treatments, then not doing any treatment until the coverage returns, usually 4 years. While hand pulling in North and South Twin Lakes did not reduce or maintain the level of EWM he recommended that we only hand pull NT because it is more ideal with small pockets of EWM; this is our second year of the hand pulling grant from the DNR. They suggest that if active management of EWM is to occur in South Twin, a whole-lake herbicide treatment strategy every 5 years is likely the most effective strategy. They would suggest a three year planning process with treatment in 2017. As part of the planning he recommends we do an updated volume analysis so that we have good data on which to base the treatment plan. This would cost about \$3000. The board agreed to hand pull in NT this year and start the planning process for full ST treatment in 2017, including the volume analysis.

Clean Boats/Clean Water: Mary Schindler urged board members visit the CB/CW interns. on May 22nd. The student interns will work from May 23 through August 23rd. Mary chose the Phelps Landing for the interns to work as it is the busiest on our lakes. They will be working on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

Newsletter: Bob reported that because Hahn was unable to mail the newsletter on a timely basis and the non-profit stamp did not provide forwarding that we send newsletters by first class mail, about an additional \$100 per mailing.

Email Distribution List: Bob Bailey reported that our mailing list is 490 and that we continue to build the email list. Denise emailed an event message last week.

Steve Hash Memorial: Steve will check the ST landing for locating a bench then Roger will speak with Laura Babe about a memorial for her father, Steve Hash.

Roger Ganser said any lake related activities go through the Phelps Town Recreation Committee.

Merchandise: The board agreed that we should have both N&S Twin sweatshirts for Scarecrow Festival in fall. While the flip-flops and visors are good new additions they will not provide the margins we've had in the past. The board also would like to see more children clothing items, perhaps for fall or 2016. It was moved and seconded to approve \$3000 for merchandise acquisition in 2015.

Social: Kay Ottoson and Denise Pedersen are going to be planning the NSTLRA 20th Anniversary Party for August 15 at the old Holiday, all were in favor of the location and date. Kay is getting catering bids but it will be a BYOB party. The goal is to keep the price around \$30. Ginny and Joe developed a "recognition" list of past NSTLRA volunteers, directors, etc. Cap said he and Denise would donate money for music for the anniversary party. Ron reported the Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, July 31 at Sand Lake with a lunch to follow at the Sand Lake Club. He asked directors to help Jim & Jackie identify pier hosts for the Poker Run.

Future meetings are scheduled for: Tuesday, July 9th, Tuesday, August 11th, and Tuesday, September 22nd. All will be at 8:30 AM at Northern Exposure.

The meeting is adjourned at 9:44 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Ganser