

# 2019 NSTLRA Annual Meeting

7/6/2019

## Wavering Park, Phelps

Call to Order 1:00 PM

NSTLRA Board President Joe Fritzsche called the meeting to order. Board of Directors were introduced to the membership. We had 45 membership units represented at today's meeting.

Veterans were recognized in attendance. A pledge of Allegiance was led by Bob Bailey. We also had a moment of silence for those Riparians that passed away this past year.

Approval of 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

Minutes were approved.

Approval of Budget

Bob shared information regarding the financial standing of the Association. He reminded the membership that the AMEN fund is no longer necessary due to the Lake District being founded. He shared that \$90,000 was transferred to the Lake District from the AMEN fund for Lake management. Also, another \$5,000 loan to the Lake District has been forgiven so they do not have to repay that money. This \$5000 will be used for lake management activities and for sign replacement at the boat launches which have not been updated for many years.

Membership is now at 139 paid memberships from July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2020.

Committee Reports:

Highway Adopt a Highway. Maintenance-John and Rosie Passer start a pick-up the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May. Volume has been a bit less than in the past although aluminum cans continue to be heavy. They will continue to do this every 2-3 weeks.

Social Committee: Poker Run next Saturday (July 13) starts at 1:00 at the Peplow pier.

Golf outing is on July 26 this year at 10:00 AM. The outing this year will be a 2 person scramble at Gateway in LOL. Price should be around \$40 per person. Ron Ottoson and Cap Pedersen are the organizers for this event.

He also organizes a men's golf outing at the Casino in Watersmeet. Additional information can be obtained from Ron.

50/50 raffle winner was Linda Herber from South Twin

Jay Wittman shared the information of what is being done with the funds that have been transferred from the NSTLRA. There are scheduled treatments in South Twin this spring and DASH harvesting in North Twin as well as another small area of North Twin. \$230,000 price tag on these treatments so the money from the Association that had previously been earmarked for treatments is being spent.

He also shared information about the herbicides that are being used for treatment and the schedules to be followed for these. This is a very slow treatment process so we can't expect to see quick reduction of the issue in South Twin with this chemical. The chemical being used in North Twin is newly available and it is expected to make a significant difference. DASH has already begun and NSTLRA volunteers have been very helpful in disposing in the landfill of the milfoil that has been brought out of the lake.

A drone is also being utilized to be proactive in locating new spots in North Twin for early treatment.

A question is raised as to how we avoid the places in the lakes that have milfoil. Jay recommends that people not boat in the 4-14 ft. depths on South Twin. Water skiing should be done in the middle of the lake where water is deeper. Markers may in the future be placed such as buoys but this activity may be further down the road as we see how the treatments make a difference.

Question raised about safety of the herbicides that are being used. Jay responded that research has been done to ensure safety of chemicals for people, fish, and other aquatic life. At this point there are no concerns about the products that have been approved by DNR and EPA. Manufacturers have provided a warranty for the product for 3-5 years. 70% of milfoil will not be there in 3-5 years according to the warranty. There will be no treatment on South Twin next year.

Vote on By-Law amendment

Lake Management has been taken out of the Association by-laws. In addition, it states that if the Association should dissolve monies still held by the Association will then automatically be forwarded on to the North and South Twin Lake District.

A motion was made to approve the change to the By-laws. The new by-laws have passed unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

A suggestion was made to use NSTLRA funds to create a scholarship to fund for an individual pursuing a related career path in management. This will be taken further in advisement by the board to be discussed at a future meeting.

A thank-you for service was given to Joe F. for his tenure as NSTLRA president.

A thank-you to Mike Wade with a small gift for his leadership in getting the Lake District dream become reality.

#### Election of new Board Members

Several Board Members have their terms expiring this year and three more members have decided that they no longer will continue to serve on the board. (Dennis, Bob, Mike)

Glen, Roger, and David W. have decided to continue on the Board. David Pamperin and Linda Herber are up for nomination. A motion was made and seconded to have our new board for 2019:

Roger Ganser, Glen Darton, David Wittingham, Peter Gloede, Amy Peplow, Margot Peterson, Susan Pamperin, Linda Herber, David Pamperin.

Adjourned at 1:55.

2:00 NSTLRA Board of Directors Meeting

Nominations on the floor for President are Peter and Susan. Both have refused the opportunity and Roger's name has been put forth.

Roger has agreed to be 1 year president. David P. and Linda H. will support.

Margot will continue to produce the newsletter.

Peter has agreed to be treasurer and continue with Clean Boats and Clean Water. David W. will be back up and winter mail check

Susan will continue to be secretary

David P. agreed to be Vice President and team with David W. be Membership Chairman

Next meeting scheduled for July 22 at 8:00 at Phelps Chamber of Commerce. Susan will make the necessary arrangements.