

Clitherall Lake Association Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
September 23, 2021

President Scott Early called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Board members present were Al Molde, Mike Lipke, Allan Storry, Scott Early, Jeff Stabnow, Brett Sorensen, Mike Allman, Dave Franklin, and Karla Grages.

REPORTS:

Dave Franklin made a motion to approve the minutes and Al Molde seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented by Mike Lipke. Total receipts were \$146.53. Total Disbursements to savings were \$100.00. Total balance as of September 23, 2021, is \$38,897.76. There are currently 174 paid memberships. It was noted that memberships are still down. Jeff Stabnow made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Mike Allman seconded. Motion carried.

Environmental Report. Mike Lipke informed the board that there have been approximately 5 reports from lake owners of Zebra mussels on equipment coming out of the lake. These are mostly at the South end of the lake. These reports have not been confirmed by the DNR. Spencer from Ottertail County is working on a guide and check list for cabin owners that would aid in identification, removal and disposal of the mussels. It was also noted that it is even illegal to transport dead mussels and boat motors need to be completely vertical when out of the lake to completely drain the motor.

Jeff Stabnow updated the board about another invasive species to be on the lookout for, Starry Stonewort. He presented the idea of renting a bus next year, sometime in July, and travelling to Lake Koronis to see the impact and damage of this weed infestation. The closest lake currently infested is Minnewaska and there are currently no infestations in Ottertail County.

Dave Franklin asked about the results from the U of M study on wake boats. We donated to this study last year. Jeff Stabnow reported that

there are definitive results and since they are expecting significant pushback from the wake boat industry, the U of M is making sure that their report expresses completely the impact. The legislature is waiting for this report before taking any action.

Mike Allman notified the board he took 15 water samples to RMB labs.

Fisheries Report. Dave Franklin shared that walleye fingerlings should be released in Clitherall Lake this fall. Their size will be roughly 10-15 per pound. 1300 were released last spring. Dave will call in early November to verify this.

Membership report. Following Brett Sorensen's Facebook posting we received two new memberships, noted in the Treasurer's Report.

Fundraising. Karla Grages had another \$460 in sales of apparel after posting on Facebook. She noted due to confusion with the order last year, we may still owe Lake Shirts for some inventory. She will reach out to her contact. Dave Franklin made a motion to approve a budget of \$3500 for Karla to order inventory for next year to sell at the Annual Meeting. Al Molde seconded. Motion carried.

Beach Captains. Mike Allman requested that the CLA directory have a listing alphabetical and by beach to assist captains.

OLD BUSINESS:

CLA directory. Mike Lipke told the board that the cost for maps from the county is much less than originally expected. He and Dave Franklin have identified a graphic designer who will work to cut the maps into beaches and also have someone who is able to put addresses into an excel format for printing.

Al Molde encouraged the board to continue promoting the Lake Steward program. Scott Early will put another piece on Facebook.

NEW BUSINESS:

The board discussed reimbursing registration fees for board members that register for classes and seminars relating to lake association business and

interests. Mike Lipke made a motion to approve reimbursing fees up to \$100 for board members that represent Clitherall Lake Association and register to take classes and seminars. Dave Franklin seconded. Motion carried.

Mike Lipke made a motion to adjourn, and Mike Allman seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting date: April 28, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Grages, Secretary