

## FRIENDS OF THE LAKE WAKANDA CHAIN

### MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Tripolis Church, Rural Kandiyohi SEPTEMBER 3, 2009

Present: Dr. Lee Cafferty, Marilee Druskin, Rick Dahline, Cal Freeman, Mark Pregler, Dr. Bill Reid, Bruce Vruwink.  
Absent: Nick Bjornberg

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Lee Cafferty, President, at 7:03 PM.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The July 30, 2009 Annual Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board. One correction was made on page two, line nine: change from 1000 feet to 100 feet. A motion was made by Bill Reid to approve the Board of Directors meeting minutes, seconded by Bruce Vruwink. Vote was unanimous to approve as written.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The 8/24/09 association bank balance is \$1298.90.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

##### a. Updates from Committees and Individual Board Members:

(1) **Website Committee:** Lee Cafferty. Nothing new to report on website. Regarding scheduling site visits, no one has yet volunteered to organize this event. Bill Reid offered a picnic spot near his home for pot luck supper. Best time of year might be early spring or later in the fall.

(2) **Community Meeting Committee:** Cal Freeman. On Diamond Lake TMDL, Kandiyohi County Commissioners will meet later this fall to set cost for connecting to Green Lake Sanitary Sewer. There will be a public hearing at 7 PM on 9/18/09 at the Atwater Community Center. Our lakes are shallow and undeveloped so TMDL will look different. Raised question about how shallow lakes in metro areas are dealing with TMDL. Comment made that there is native millfoil in Lake Kasota and submerged vegetation on Little Kandiyohi Lake by Nichols property. Will continue research on pond retention possibilities.

(3) **Bill Reid:** Shared results of 2008 and 2009 water testing from Lakes Kasota, Minnetaga and Little Kandiyohi. (see attached)

(4) **Bruce Vruwink:** Cost of editable software in \$200 - \$250 range. Contingent upon the website with a certain kind of software. Dreamweaver a possibility. Has not yet contacted Warren Jorgenson to work on this.

(5) **Grass Lake Committee:** Mark Pregler. Nothing new to report.

(6) **Marilee Druskin:** Shared results of Wakanda Watershed water testing in 2009 as well as photographs of conditions on Ditch 23A this summer. (see attached)

(7) **Nick Bjornberg:** Absent.

(8) **Rick Dahline:** Nothing to report.

**b. Discussion - Adopted Position on Aeration / Lake Wakanda:** The Secretary asked for board approval to share the recently adopted position with the DNR and the local newspaper. She referenced a county commissioner's (Harlan Madsen) request for lake association opinion as he believed our opinions have value and should be taken into consideration as local officials address issues that affect our chain of lakes. Bruce Vruwink stated that a lake belongs to everyone and the Blomkest Sportsmen's Club should be able to pursue their interests by ice fishing on Lake Wakanda. He said knew for a fact that one person who was not a voting member did provide a voice vote on this position at the annual meeting. Rick Dahline, Bill Reid and Cal Freeman agreed with Vruwink. Bruce Vruwink voiced other opinions on the way the balloting was conducted. The President stated some of Mr. Vruwink's opinions were not accurate, he knew what he said at the meeting and it was not as Mr. Vruwink stated. Vruwink said he would like to see an argument for aeration. Cafferty asked Vruwink to provide that research. Vruwink declined. Vruwink stated board and annual meetings should be taped, that there should be someone who 'credentialed' at the meetings, and someone

present who was an expert on Robert's Rules of Order. Cafferty said this is being overblown. Druskin said we need to keep in mind our common goal of improved water quality, the purpose of our association, the goal of a healthy ecosystem that provided habitat for diverse community of birds, fish, crayfish, etc. Following further accusations, rebuttals; a motion was proposed by Dr. Reid. This motion underwent many modifications by Mr. Vruwink and Dr. Reid. The final resolution draft became the following motion made by Dr. Reid and seconded by Mr. Vruwink: **A resolution that Board of Directors recommends: for annual meeting we should follow Robert's Rules of Order, any votes should be on written ballot issued to current dues paying voting member only, the ballots should be tallied and the majority rules.** Cafferty called for a voice vote on the motion on the table. The motion carried with five ayes and two nays. (Voting for were Dahline, Freeman, Pregler, Reid and Vruwink. Voting against were Cafferty and Druskin.)

Vruwink then distributed a typewritten resolution for consideration:

"At the July 30, 2009 annual meeting of 'The Friend's of Lake Wakanda Chain of Lakes' (FLWC) a vote regarding the organizations position on aeration was held. Due to presence of many non members in the audience and voting procedures followed at the meeting, the results of the vote actually portray the position of a majority of those in attendance at the meeting and most likely not the position of then current dues paid voting members of the organization. Because of this, all members of FLWC shall refrain from expressing the results of this vote as representative of the organization."

Cafferty called for discussion on this resolution. Revisions were made by the board to the satisfaction of Mr. Vruwink. Vruwink made a motion, seconded by Dahline, to adopt this revised resolution: :

**At the July 30, 2009 annual meeting of "The Friends of Lake Wakanda Chain of Lakes" (FLWC) a vote regarding the organizations position on aeration was held. Due to presence of non voting members in the audience, the results of the vote may actually portray the position of a majority of those in attendance at the meeting and possibly not the position of then current dues paid voting members of the organization. Because of this, all Board members of FLWC shall refrain from expressing the results of this vote as representative of the organization.** Cafferty called for a voice vote on the motion to adopt this resolution. The motion carried with five ayes and two nays. (Voting for were Dahline, Freeman, Pregler, Reid and Vruwink. Voting against were Cafferty and Druskin.)

c. **Other:** none.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The next quarterly board of directors meeting **is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6, 2010, seven (7) o'clock PM**, at Tripolis Church.
- b. As education is an important function of this association, the Secretary asked board members to share information on upcoming educational offerings relevant to our mission. Last year an association member attended the Shallow Lakes Conference sponsored by the MN River Board.
- c. A member request to raise the association dues from \$10 was brought to the board. Druskin made a motion to table this item until the 2010 annual meeting for discussion and possible action by the membership. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
- d. **Other.** Nothing.

**MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned on motion by Bill Reid at 9.21 PM. Coffee and cake provided by Call Freeman was served following the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Marilee Druskin  
Secretary/Treasurer