

***Pelican Lakes Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2012***

Call to order: This special and urgent meeting was called to order by President, Art Weaver at 9:00 AM.

Members present: Joe Ayers, Tracy Donovan, Bob Hamilton, Max Martz, Tom McGrann, Ed Nordgaard, David Slipy, Matt Stephens, Carrie Ruud, Bob Vaughn and Art Weaver.

Guest present: Marc Bacigalupi (DNR), Clyde Clement, Joe Eberhardt, Rich Rezanka (DNR), Daniel Sullivan (DNR) and Daniel Swanson (DNR).

Approval of Agenda: Agenda presented by President, Art Weaver was approved.

Approval of July 7, 2012 Minutes: Minutes presented by Acting Secretary, Tracy Donovan was approved.

Financial Report: Financial statement presented by Treasurer, Ed Nordgaard was approved.

Presentation by DNR on the July 9, 2012 discovery of Zebra Mussels in Pelican Lake:

- Dive sites were selected based on favorable conditions for finding mussels.
- Only took a few minutes to find mussels on first dive.
- Mussels were found after about 30 minutes on second dive.
- Size of mussels found indicates a reproducing population.
- Appears infestation is in early stages.
- Reproducing population is in shallow water.
- Chemical treatment of the reproducing mussel population is possible but difficult.
- Future DNR dives will focus on determining mussel populations over time.
- DNR will soon conduct water sampling to determine veliger (free swimming larvae) concentration.
- DNR dock and boat lift inspections will continue.
- The results of this year's Zebra Mussel reproduction will be evident soon.
- PLA could hire divers to locate reproducing mussels.
- If reproducing mussels are found, removal or chemical treatment is possible.

- If PLA Board sponsors divers, DNR would recommend dive strategies and eradication strategies.
- DNR will get back to the PLA Board with their recommended actions prior to the August 4th meeting.

Potential Action by PLA:

- Letter to PLA members to explain the need to locate reproducing mussel population.
- Request PLA members immediately inspect docks and lifts and report findings.
- Request PLA members inspect docks and lifts after removal from lake.
- Request PLA members look for mussels in lake.
- If adequate inspections are not possible at existing Pelican lake public landings, request DNR and Crow Wing County reduce landings.
- Inform PLA members what Zebra Mussels look like.
- Instruct PLA members on how to document and report mussel findings.
- Locate boat cleaning station at Jones Bay public landing.
- PLA Board member, Carrie Ruud will head up the Invasive Species Committee.
- Contact Rose Lake and Ottertail Lake about their invasive species action planning.
- Estimate expenses associated with Pelican lake invasive species action plan and do fund raising to implement the plan.
- Conduct public information to explain why implementation of an invasive species action plan is necessary.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on August 4, 2012, 8:00 AM at the Pelican Lakes Conservation Club.

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary, Joe Ayers