GOLA Meeting Minutes, September 4, 2021

Call to Order

Introduce Board Members

New Lake Residents

Treasurer's Report

• General Fund: \$9203.61

o July, 2021 GOLA meeting, it was approved to combine the emergency fund with the general fund. The bank accounts and reporting will be combined going forward.

• Fish Fund: \$2511.22

Minutes - Approve Summer 2021

• Approved meeting notes per attendees

Elections – For Terms Expiring Fall 2021 (Two Year Term)

For Positions Currently Held By:

- H- Peterson (O'Brien Co Chairman)
- Sue Borne Treasurer
- Dan Menden O'Brien Board Member
- Mark Erickson Goodrich Board Member

Approved current (above list) to be renominated – Approved by attendees

Guest Speakers: Kris Kristofek, National Loon Center Scientific Loon Council

- Arranged by Eeva Hoch
- Retail store front located in Crosslake (Thurs- Sunday)

- Large loon center to be built in the Army Corp of Engineers Park.
- o Park will be going through updates/additions for docks/shoreline first.
- Executive Director: Jon Mobeck
- Website: nationallooncenter.org
- If anyone observes harassment of wild life call the conservation officer as soon as possible.
- Live loon cam: www.mousseaubay-looncam.from-mn.com
- Suggestion to get a loon nesting sign for the lake (loonsigns.com)
- o 150 feet away from Loons

Water Testing – Information is available.

Walleye/Perch Committee Update

GOLA: # of contributors

72 Currently Paid (9/2020 to 8/2021)

O'Brien

- \$20 & Under = 18
- \$50 = 5
- \$51 to \$100 = 1
- O'Brien Total = \$825

Goodrich

- \$20 & Under = 15
- \$50 = 3
- \$51 to \$100 = 4
- Goodrich Total = \$1,385

Forecasting:

Covid = Anomoly Year

Fiscal Year ends 8/31/2021

Usually get a higher number of donations during the Labor Day weekend meeting During a stocking year, board does extra reminders about the option to donate.

• Max stocking for Walleye is \$5000 (both lakes, based on # of fish per acre).

o Each lake would need to have their own individual target based off sizing.

Goodrich is almost twice the size of O'Brien

o 72% of the donations are for under \$20

o Suggestion: Tell people the story in the newsletter about the fish fun donations. If we give people an understanding about the size of contribution 2 goal we have in mind.

o Pricing is per pound.

② Walleye is \$18/#

Perch is \$16/#

o Per the fish farmer – If you want more walleye, stock walleye. If you want larger walleyes, stock perch. o Board to continue discussion in regards to stocking perch/walleye.

Garage Sale: Success for 2021

• Will happen again in 2022, thank you to Lynette

Beavers at the culvert – Fairfield has been responsive and are in the works to see if they will help.

• There is a rack at the culvet – feel free to clean out when passing by.

Fiber Internet – Installed, looking to get them to the houses in Summer 2022 (if you signed up).

• You can still sign up.

• They will not be removing the old (wired) system.

Loon Nest Area Signs - Purchase

- o Loonnestsigns.com
- 2 4 Sided = \$180.00
- 2 Sided = \$96.00
- 2 1 Single Side = \$40 (Would need a pole & to be put into the lake bottom)

New Business Items

- Purple Loosestrife- Invasive Specie
- These plants only live 4-5 years. Take the seed tops before they flower and dispose. Do this continually and they will die off.
- o Dig/pull it up.
- o Apply chemicals (not recommended)
- o DNR Recommendations: Put on rubber gloves (two layers) with a cotton glove over that. Dip the glove into the chemical to hand apply.

Pequot Lake Football Cards

- Supporting the community.
- \$20 per Card. Available at the Labor Day meeting.

Ambulance Service

- If you are located within Crosslake, the ambulance comes from Crosslake.
- If you are located in Fairfield Township, the ambulance comes from Crosby.

From the Floor:

Suggested Donation to the Loon Center

Motion: \$500 -- Approved

Submitted by Jamie Weise