

GOLA Meeting May 25, 2024

Introduction of the Board Members
New Member Introduction

Secretary's Report

- No updates

Treasurer's Report

- General Balance: \$10889.18
- Fish Fund: \$1592.05

Old Business

Trail

- Work has paused on this topic due to solving some of the issues.

Road Safety

- The walking signs – Have been working.
- Flashing signs
- Police awareness & patrolling

Garage Sale – Mike Rancour

- August 3-5
- A few people interested.
- Volunteer – Jane

Wildlife

- Loons: On Goodrich, there is a platform in the SE Bay (btwn the lakes). There is one loon nesting on this platform. The platform was provided by the Federal Government.
 - Mark built a platform and it was put under the eagles nest by the Federal Government. It was moved over to the SE Bay, the government moved it back over to the eagles nest area. Because it is part of a study with grant money, it needs to stay there. Mark believes this is the last year they would have say over it.
 - Floating sign – the State would rather we not use it. The signs attracted the boaters. The sign is not currently out on Goodrich due to the loon already on the nesting platform.
- Beavers: Trapping in season still available.
 - If outside of the season, you must contact the DNR.
 - One was seen in the SW Bay a couple of days ago.
- Bears:
 - They have been out and about – be aware of your surroundings.
 - Be mindful of garbage and bird feeders.
- Invasive Species
 - Purple Loos – Purple flower, needs to be pulled and it is spreading.
 - Continuing to spread throughout the lakes area.
 - This is an invasive flower – it needs to be completely pulled from the roots and burned. There are a lot of seeds within the flowers that continue to help its spread.

New Business

- July GOLA Meeting
 - Looking to move to a Memorial Day and Labor Day meeting.
 - Motion to vote to the floor.
 - Approved. Board will hold two meetings per year, continuing with Memorial Day and Labor Day meetings, removing July 4th weekend meeting.

Upcoming Events – Mentioned at the meeting

- Dave Anderson
 - Food 11-1pm & Band 1-4pm
 - All are invited. Come by water or land. Bring your own lawn chair.
 - Any donations given will be supplied to the GOLA fish fund.
 - Any donations that are given during the event, will go to the GOLA fish fund.
 - *This is not a GOLA sponsored event.
- Boat Parades
 - O'Brien – Friday, July 5th at 2pm
 - Goodrich – To be determined.
 - Let Jamie know and it can be added to the GOLA Facebook page & the electronic newsletter going out this coming week.

Fish Fund

- 2024 is a stocking year for O'Brien and Goodrich – will be stocking both walleye and perch.
 - Continuing with the fingerlings (approx. 4-5" walleyes)
- Goal for this year's fish fund is \$5,500.
- September meeting will provide a fish fund update on the balance/goal.
- Stocking typically happens in the month of October.

Legion – Room Rental

- Space rental allows our use of the meeting area for free.

From the Floor

- Motion to donate to the Loon Center, \$500
 - Motioned, Approved – Donation will be completed through the Treasurer.