

kGOLA Meeting
September 2, 2023

New Residents

- None at this time

Secretary's Report

- July 4th GOLA meeting minutes reviewed and motion to approve = approved by floor.
- O'Brien Lake Report
 - Per Boxmeyer: Thursday, August 9/31 = 16"
 - Quite low compared to earlier in the year & previous years.
- Goodrich Lake Report
 - 10" Dish
 - Phosphorus = .017 (good testing metric)

Treasurer's Report (Motion to approve = approved by floor)

- Reviewed general fund, emergency fund, fish fund dollar amounts.

Old Business

- Trail/Sidewalk
 - H put the signs up along the road for educational purposes for which side of the road to walk on. Crosslake police suggestion.
- Garage Sale
 - Smaller turnout- 6 families participating.
 - Good traffic on Friday, Saturday was a bit slower but steady.
 - Will be looking for a volunteer organizer for 2024.
- Wildlife Report
 - Great loon reports and people sharing on the FaceBook GOLA site.
 - Beavers – Some have seen, others have not.
 - Beaver trapper is still available, reach out to the GOLA board if you need additional information.
 - Wolves – Very vocal lately – have been helping with some of the beavers.
 - Loon platform
 - Mark Erickson removed the one he made and will store over the winter.
 - DNR nest on Goodrich – they will handle, remove and store. Not sure where it will be put next year.
- Invasive Species
 - Purple Loos – Purple flower, needs to be pulled and it is spreading.
- Bonnie Lakes Road
 - Resurfacing – Done on a portion of Bonnie Lakes Road.
 - The City has approximately \$100,000 in budget to work on the road – they did what they could and will not continue resurfacing the road at this time.

From the floor:

- Wake Boat Erosion
- Per floor: MN Legislature is looking at passing a law/rules around wake boats and smaller size lakes.
- U of MN is doing a research project
- H proposed additional discussion on this topic in 2024

New Business

- History of Lake O'Brien – Looking for history of the lakes
 - Dr. Bob Conroy emailed Mark Erickson in regard to having history of the lake/s and would like to talk to someone.
 - Steve: Has been doing research about the lakes names (still in the works), finding dates back to 1863.
- DNR: Jaiden
 - Have a plan that Mark was helping update per loons.
 - Take back the lead program – Mark will review and come back in the Spring (2024) to do a follow up on more details.
- Meeting/Fun Events
 - Something to think about (no motion at this time) - propose to have two meetings and a potluck (on a non-Holiday) weekend.
 - Dave Anderson – Hosting a band on O'Brien Lake. Band is set, the date is TBD.
 - Band, Food, etc. – fundraising towards something (fish fund/fireworks/etc.).

Election

- Harold Peterson, Co-Chair President for O'Brien
 - Motion from the floor to re-elect Harold, Approved
- Sue Borne, Treasurer
 - Motion from the floor to re-elect Sue, Approved
- Liz, Board Member
 - Motion from the floor to re-elect Liz Luskey, Approved
- Dan Mendon, Board Member
 - Dan would like to step down from his position.
 - Mike Ergen was nominated to take over Dan Mendon's board member position on O'Brien, approved.