

BOOT LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 7, 2003

President Ben Ariss called the meeting to order at 9am. 33 members were in attendance—a very good turnout. FINANCIAL REPORT: CASH ON HAND: \$2080.62

Pete Hansen, Doty Town Chairman was our guest speaker. He addressed area concerns, including the Indian spearing, public safety, culvert discharge on Archibald Lake Road, Property Taxes, a new buoy to mark the rocks by the Island. He also informed us that Doty will do a new Tax Assessment this year!

Roxanne Tienor gave us an overview of getting a Defibrillator for Boot Lake. We discussed the pros and cons of getting one, including the maintenance and cost—\$2,835.00 with monthly maintenance costs estimated at \$150.00. Don Sipes suggested we send a letter of support to the local rescue services. We will look into a Federal Grant (because of the Campground) to obtain funds to pay for a defibrillator.

We discussed the gypsy moth problem. Despite our best efforts last year, we could not get enough financial support to spray our area this year. We formed a committee with Janet Sipes as Chairperson, with Jim Paulson, Jean Promer and Laura Lawson assisting—to look into getting support from our members with this problem.

We discussed raising membership dues. Jean Promer made the motion to raise dues to \$10.00 per person. Don Neumann seconded. Motion passed.

We discussed picking up the garbage in the ditches around our property. We will all do this regularly and encourage our neighbors to do so.

Bill Nagel made the motion to send \$35 to the Town of Doty for the use of the town hall. Don Neumann seconded. Motion passed.

Don Sipes made the motion to support the Town Of Doty water skiing hours for our lake—11am-4pm. Dan Platkowski seconded. Motion passed.

We discussed the water quality of our lake. Sandy Ariss does regular monitoring. Yvonne Duffek gave a report from her attendance at this year's WAL Convention. This year's topic was "Where the waters meet". This information is important for all our members.....Only 1/10 of 1% of the world's water is drinkable. Most of the world's illnesses are caused by contaminated water. Water is purified by filtering through the ground into "underground water areas". All lakes and rivers have an underground water area to supply them with fresh water. If you drill a well too shallow or too close to a lake—you are taking needed water from the lake's underground water supply. This disrupts the lake's clean water cycle. Wetlands also serve as a filter for lakes and rivers. LAKE WATER QUALITY IS MOST IMPACTED BY POLLUTION RUNOFFS ON SHORELANDS INTO OUR LAKES. The more wetlands you have—the less polluted waters you have. Wetlands provide a buffer zone to keep pollution from getting into the lake. The Lake Management Partnership Groups of WAL are encouraging lake residents to "Respect the natural watercycle" of our lakes in our useage to keep the clean water sustainable. Natural arsenic levels in water is being impacted by diminishing quantities of certain "underground water supplies"—areas with over population useage.. LAKE SHORELANDS MUST BE PRESERVED. This year's picnic will be on July 26 on Archibald Lake Road. Jean Promer is chairman. Janet Beise will be the Chairman for the 2004 Picnic on Beach Lane.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.

Respectfully submitted, Yvonne Duffek, Secretary-Treasurer