

Boot Lake Association Annual Meeting  
Saturday, June 6, 2009 10:00 A.M.  
Doty Town Hall (New)

Meeting called to order by President Mary Gilmeister.

Mary covered the DNR Update. Speaking with the representative from the DNR, Mary was informed that there was 8,269 walleye fingerlings stocked in Boot Lake in 2008. There was discussion with those attending this morning's meeting on possibly having a tree drop on Boot Lake, similar to Archibald Lake to increase the fish population.

Pete Hansen (Town of Doty Chairman) gave an update on the new Doty Town Hall, regarding the construction to completion. The Grand Opening held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> was well attended and enjoyed by all. Pete informed the group that this building is also an "Incident Command Center" for the area fire and rescue emergency departments. At this time the building will be open Mondays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, with either the clerk or treasurer here. The town board is looking at possible NWTC classes, organizational meetings, events, along with fee schedules. Any questions, feel free to call Pete or any member of the town board.

Chris Hamerla, our Water Guard Conservation Warden in the WDNR NE Region gave an excellent presentation on aquatic invasive species, explaining problems and possible solutions with other lakes in the surrounding areas. Chris gave some examples and tips on how the volunteers would handle situations when they monitor the boat landings. If anyone has any questions, always feel free to contact him.

Our Bob Dietrick, reported on the Oconto County Lakes & Water Association (OCLA). The Bass Lake Association paid \$3,000 for the water testing equipment, hoping to receive grant money to cover that cost. If shared usage with Bass Lake, it may cost Boot Lake approximately \$500, for upkeep, samples and testing. Bob also shared meeting information regarding new flood plain maps, invasive lake species with possible property devalues in extreme conditions.

It was discovered that I (Nancy) had not paid WAL dues, the Wisconsin Association of Lakes, since Yvonne paid them in 2007. Discussion followed whether the \$78.00 per year was worth continuing as a member. General consensus was that we receive adequate information from OCLA and any WEB sites when needed. Motion by Laura Lawson, seconded by Paul Gilmeister, to discontinue membership in the WAL. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 8, 2008 Annual Meeting were held. Motion by Bonnie Sell, seconded by Ben Ariss, to approve as presented. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was presented and reviewed. Motion by Dennis Strey, seconded by Judy Strey, to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Resignation of President. With deep regret, Mary is resigning as President of the Association, as she is away from home too much (on the road and in the air) for her company. We appreciate all her dedication and hard work she gave to the association.

Nominations were open for interim president. Dan Platkowski nominated Bob Diedrick as interim president. There being no further nominations, motion by Ben Ariss, seconded by Paul Gilmeister, to

elect Bob Diedrick as Interim President. Motion carried. (Thank you, Bob!) Nominations were then received for 2nd Vice President to replace Bob Diedrick. Bob Diedrick nominated Ben Ariss as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. With no further nominations, motion by Bob Diedrick, seconded by Paul Gilmeister, to elect Ben Ariss as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Motion carried. (Thank you, Ben!)

Amy Klebe gave the Boot Lake Water Report. TSI (Clarity) was 33, which is very good water clarity. She noted that drought also affects the clarity. Improvements noted would be having 15' of naturalizing on your shoreline to offer a natural filter. Also using fertilizer with no phosphorus will help. The annual Boot Lake water report will be on the Web Site. Thank you again Amy, for all your hours dedicated to monitoring the water quality of the lake.

Picnic Update: Archibald Lake Road will host this year. August 1<sup>st</sup> is the date for the picnic. Amy Klebe volunteered to chair the picnic.

Shoreline Clean Up: Dan Platkowski said he had a nice group to help last year and it was a lot of fun. Dan's group starts from his shoreline and goes along Archibald Lake Rd. Laura Lawson's group (a lot of her family) also had a good time. Dan is scheduling July 11<sup>th</sup> this year for shoreline clean up. Chris Hammerla plans on attending. Laura will have a date scheduled soon. Everyone is welcome to come; snorkel or man the boats for any "interesting" litter pickup. Thank you, to Dan and Laura, and all their helpers.

Dick Kelm reported on the lake's web site. This is annually renewed. Again, thank you so much Dick, for all the work on the site!

[www.bootlakewiassoc.org/index.htm](http://www.bootlakewiassoc.org/index.htm)

#### New Business:

1. Donation/Gift to the Town of Doty's New Fire Station and Community Center for recognition from the Boot Lake Improvement Association. From a list on the wall of the town hall, were numerous items needed that the town board was hoping would be donated to the building. After discussion, motion by Ben Ariss, seconded by Judy Strey, to donate \$500.00 towards a snowblower for the town hall. Motion carried.
2. Town Hall Rent. Motion by Gert Nagel, seconded by Ben Ariss, to pay \$35.00 to the Town of Doty for today's meeting.
3. Bob Diedrick fielded any suggestions, in regards to get more non members to join or rejoin. Possibly shoreline director's stopping at the lake homes to talk to the owners, more usage of the WEB, emails, letters or inviting nonmembers to the next event (picnic).

There being no further business for discussion, motion by Earl Hockers, seconded by Dick Kelm, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Erler  
Secr/Treas