

## **Pleasant Lake Association Meeting Minutes August 20, 2005**

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Pleasant Lake Improvement Association general meeting & picnic Aug 20, 2005

Present: Chairman Sedey, Vice-Chair Markstrom, Treasurer Ashwill, Sec Peterson, Boardmember Lundeen

Treasurer Report: \$5,717 in Savings - \$3,486 in Checking 107 members

Wright County Commissioner Karla Heeter gave up-date on County growth and expenditures. Topics covered included, enlarged county jail vs. new jail/court system building, drug (meth) affecting county services, increased staff needs, judge & courtroom increases, Planning & Zoning enforcement, water/sewer situation in communities.

CRWD Rep Merle Anderson updated group on Foundation possibilities. He explained to group that the city's new proposed sewer system was turned down because the Crow River is already impaired and no new amount of phosphorus can be introduced into it. He discussed the DNR guidelines for treating the water in front of lake homes. He shared with the group the purpose of the Health & Lake Initiative group and the lobbying efforts they have and continue to pursue. There are DNR regulations that hamper weed control and the group would like to see these regulations changed.

Mick Polach of Rogers, Mn. Lake Restoration Inc. explained to the group how lake weeds may be controlled by individual or entire lake programs. Curly Leaf is our biggest problem and his company recommends herbicide Endothall. Treatment would include water up to 15 feet deep at a cost of approx \$2.25 per foot. The DNR must first survey our lake to do a total lake treatment. There are 170 lakes in Mn. with Eurasian milfoil and we are not one of them. We are one of the 900 lakes with a curly leaf problem. While an early treatment will kill off the curly leaf it can take up to 5 years to stop the plant from coming back yearly.

T Ashwill reported that lake shirts will be available soon and he hopes to get a mailing out soon with order blanks.

New board members elected: Bayer, Hausken, Iverson, Lundeen, Lundeen, Markstrom, Obinger. Election officials: Hilma Williams, M. Anderson, K Heeter

Rep Dean Urdahl explained that his committee addressed the weed control situation in Mn. lakes; however most of the \$ went to public landing services this year. He will lobby for lake weed control again next session. He explained the Federal Cleanwater Act. Lakes that are impaired must have an improvement plan and the money for such a plan will come from the Fed Gov eventually. Updated group on Hwy 24 project which is slated to begin in 2007. Hwy projects are prioritized and depend on available funds.

Discussion pertaining to sewer & water services along Hwy 24. A petition is being discussed for annexation by property owners along Hwy 24.

Reps from the city and township were invited but unable to attend this meeting.

Thank you to Nancy & Dave Haugland for printing an up-dated Lake Directory for all homeowners.

Dues set for 2006, \$15.

Newsletter editor needed. Please contact a board member if you would like to help with this project.