Pleasant Lake Association
Membership Meeting
Minutes - May 18, 2013

Present: Chairperson Sedey, Vice Chair Hogberg, Treasurer Harkman, Secretary Peterson, Directors Olson, Boi, Mader

Not Present: Directors Miller, Arfsten

Treasurers Report: Began the year with $1,600. Received $3,900 in dues and additional donations. Received $1,000 from Wright Co Parks. Paid out cost of 501c3 application & misc mailings. Balance today of $6,100 Earmarked $5,000 for Weed Control Program.

Membership: Total of 83 members. This is 63% of the possible 129 lake dwellings. Membership Committee has sent letters, e-mails, and used the newsletter to encourage membership this year.

501c3: Hogberg & Arfsten completed all necessary paperwork and sent in application to the IRS in Dec. This could be a years’ long wait for action. Tax free status for donations along with possible grant money is the goal of this project.

Website: Maggie Nilson continues to up-date. Any news of interest or pictures should be forwarded to Maggie at: http://www.pliamn.com/

Clearwater River Watershed: Dennis and Cole Loewen spoke to the group about current projects. They currently have a $700,000 wetland project in the Kimball area & continue to monitor field fertilization for phosphorus levels. They addressed the Grass Lake dam levels relating to our valve control. The closing will have a direct relationship to our new 300 foot wake policy. They hope to offer another tour this summer which will visit many of the current projects in our Watershed District.

No Wake: The new ordinance explained to the group.

Water Quality: Secchi readings and water sampling continue to be conducted by volunteers. There is always a need for more samplers. Please contact Chair Sedey.

Lake Treatment for Curly Leaf Pondweed: We will be treating 10 acres again this year at a cost of $5,000. In addition to this many private homeowners will treat the water in front of their property. Lake Restoration of Rogers will provide this service when the lake reaches 50 degrees. We are allowed to treat 25 acres and if donations or Grant money becomes available after we gain 501c3 status we will increase our treatment area.

Boat Parade: is on for July 3rd at 7 pm. Participants are asked to meet at the City Park fishing dock at that time. Prizes will be awarded. No specific theme for boat floats.

Picnic: Theme is Fiesta Time. August 10 in the City Park from 2 to 6. Ed & Jen Mader are chairing once again and should be contacted if you have ideas, prize donations, or can help with the set-up.
Fishing contest: Chairperson Warner will have the necessary information and prizes for this August 17th tournament. This is a family event, fun for all. No cash prizes or Lund boats to win - but they guarantee a great time.

Newsletter: Very few returns on our mailing. If you didn’t get one contact our editor, Gloria Warner. It can be found on the web site as well.

Election of officers: Sedey, Peterson, & Arfsten are up this year. Volunteers are always welcome. Contact Chairperson Sedey.

Annandale Embroidery: They offer a variety of Pleasant Lake products and remember they donate a % of all Pleasant Lake products sold back to our association.

Ice Out: Jill Bishop provided us with a list dating back to 1961 for ice out dates. Julie Sedey & Marge Bacon work with Jill to accurately record this yearly event. This data is very valuable when looking at the life of the lake and our thanks go to this group.

Welcome to the Lake: A new committee headed by Cheryl Olson will welcome new homeowners with a gift and a visit. Information can be shared about the many projects the association is currently working on. Ideas should be forwarded to Cheryl.

Why Join: Jeff Harkman went over many reasons why all homeowners should join the association. He will forward this list to the Web site manager Maggie. If we know of a neighbor who hasn’t yet joined we should point out some of these reasons as well.

Lake Boat Landing Inspections: Eurasian Watermilfoil along with zebra mussels have not been found in our lake. Fishing clubs frequent our lake weekly over the summer months and concerns were voiced by our members. We will check with the DNR as to the status of clubs and to explore the possibilities of landing inspections.