



Douglas County Lakes Association  
Wednesday, April 13, 4:30 p.m.  
Public Works Building  
Alexandria, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by President Huettl at 4:30 p.m. with the following people present: Frank Jackson- Lake Victoria, Stephen Henry-L'HommeDieu, Harry May-Geneva, Adam Hjelm-Sauk River Watershed, Emily Siira- Douglas SWCD, Tom Brunner-Red Rock, Sue Engstrom-Darling, Gerry Carlson-Moses, Karen Cook-Latoka, Clarence Wolf-Mary, Gertie Wolf-Mary, Jim Peterson-Ida, Bonnie Huettl-Lobster and Mike Kopitzke-Vermont.

1) The March minutes were approved with the following three changes. The motion was made by Don Clausen, and seconded by Clarence Wolf and it passed unanimously.

Changes: Eco Fair booth "from 4 to 8 p.m.

Regional planning (not Long Range) committee did not meet

Treasurer Peterson: not worthwhile to change savings plan at this time.

2) Treasurer's report: Jim asked us to check the mailing addresses for billing. Lake Andrew has not yet paid dues.

Emily SWCD : will not issue testing coolers until dues are paid.

Treasurer's report approved: motion Steve Henry, second Harry May. Unanimous

3) Bills to pay: motion Karen Cook, second Steve Henry. Motion carried.

4) Douglas County update: Dave Rush absent.

5) Water Planning Update: Emily Siira

a. scholarships: 7 essays submitted. First place \$500 to Jefferson student Catherine Lovrien

Second place \$300 to West Central student Nicole Anderson

b. Grants executed:

Surface Water Assessment grants: MARY, MILTONA, IRENE, SKOGLAND SLOUGH.  
Emily will train volunteers.

Lake protection Challenge Grant: 160 lakes funded statewide; in Douglas County: Ida, Carlos, Chippewa, Darling and Geneva.

c. attended the Chippewa River Watershed annual meeting.

6) Committee Reports:

a. Lakes Area Regional Planning – Marilyn Bayerl absent

b. Public relations – Harry May and Adam Hjelm (SRWD)

\*Harry reports on KXRA tomorrow - Adam Hjelm's substitute SRWD

May - RMB laboratory

June - Nathan Olson DNR AIS

July - Mike Sheldon and the new CO

\*Adam reports: Battle Point Park shoreland restoration projects - come and view after a winter's wear;

\*Turf Grass Workshops still available - maybe Master Gardeners would sponsor?

\*Grants: SRWD is "pushing" stormwater management projects.

d. AIS: The Lake Service Providers' Training on AIS was cancelled because of snow storm.

Table tents - Tom Brunner of Red Rock Lake brought the table tents to be folded, taped and distributed to businesses that used them last year. He assigned areas to be covered by volunteers. The tents should be in the hands of the businesses before fishing opener.

7) Old business:

\*Newsletter: The DCLA newsletter was sent to 6,853 lakeshore owners.

\*EcoFair: tomorrow at Woodland Elem. Set-up at 2:30 and open from 4 to 8:00 p.m.

\*Watershed meeting: Bonnie and Sue attended the MPCA informational meeting in Parkers Prairie on Tuesday. There is now a Long Prairie River Watershed Program (not a District nor a Project, but a Program) which means the MPCA will be testing lakes in the watershed for impairments.

8) New Business:

\* Lake Mary Seminar: How to influence RGU decision makers. Contact Tim Ward, president.

\* Marion Bender is retiring from presidency of Minnesota Waters. A new president is being sought.

\*Guest: Lois Sinn Lindquist reported on the Citizen Committee on AIS. She and Bonnie presented a Resolution to the County Board Tuesday and the Board approved it unanimously. Representative Westrom has responded that he will draft House File 1439 addressing the need for action.

9) Adjourn: motion Steve Henry, second Jim Peterson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Klemann

(Notes provided by Sue Engstrom)

