



Douglas County Lakes Association
Wednesday, July 11, 2012, 4:30 p.m.
Public Works Building
Alexandria, MN

President Huettl called the meeting to order at 4:30 with the following people present: Jim Peterson – Ida, Jen Beliveau – Mary, Dick Kuehn – Milona, Karen Cook – Latoka, Don Stallman – Irene, Sue Engstrom – Darling, H. Dan Ness – Vermont, Steve Henry – L’Homme Dieu, Dian Lopez – Ida, Bonnie Huettl – Lobster, Carol Paterson-Smith - Brophy, Dave Rush – Douglas County Land & Resource, Paul Stadler – guest, and Dorothy Klemann – Executive Secretary.

Paul Stadler was present to volunteer his diving capabilities to those who might need him. He can be reached at 320-219-9352.

There was a motion by Jan Beliveau, second by Sue Engstrom to accept the June minutes with the following change, the last paragraph should read inspectors. Motion carried. In future the new water resource technician will be referred to as Steven Greg Henry.

The following changes were made to the agenda: add LeHomme Dieu MPCA issue and under old business: settlement of Garfield pumping. There was a motion by Dian Lopez, second by Jan Beliveau to approve the agenda as changed. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jim Peterson distributed copies of the financial reports and the contact list. The checking balance on June 31, 2012 was \$9,350.16. There are outstanding bills from RMB Labs \$924.00, Country Secretary - \$196.44 and Quality Printing \$1,014.08. There was a motion by Sue Engstrom, second by Jan Beliveau to pay all bills. Carried.

Viking Sportsmen will be on Open Line in July and Dave Rush in August.

The lake associations that have not yet paid their membership dues are Carlos, L’Homme Dieu, Cowdry -Taylor-Stony- Union, Brophy and Red Rock.

Dave Rush reported for Douglas County Land and Resource. The watercraft inspection program is going well. The DNR now has a second decontamination unit and they have supplied the inspectors with PDA’s for tracking information regarding boats, contamination. They would like to know the usage of private lake accesses. On August 1, the new septic rules take effect. There is an effort to bring back the revised shoreland rules.

Jan Beliveau, Dian Lopez, Don Stallman and Sue Engstrom are working on the placement of table tents. Area resorts were also suggested as possible sites.

Carol Paterson-Smith reported on the Garfield pumping settlement. There are 11 conditions that must be met.

The DCLA Annual meeting will be September 12. Elections will be held at that time. President Huettl will contact Darby Nelson as a possible speaker. The DNR grant includes food money. It was suggested that we get catered food for the annual meeting.

The Lake Irene court trial has been delayed until August 9.

The Kids Fishing event will be this Saturday. A volunteer is needed from 1-3 p.m. at Fleet Farm.

Steve Henry reported that a 20x20 patch of milfoil was found and removed by divers in Lake LeHomme Dieu. The odds are it is unlikely to be controlled.

There was discussion of the LeHomme Dieu MPCA issue. Steve Henry asked the DCLA to approve a resolution of support. There was a motion by Sue Engstrom, second by Carol Paterson-Smith to approve that resolution. Dan Ness told the group that the cost was estimated to be \$26 million and the state is recommending mediation. After discussion the motion and second were withdrawn. After still more discussion there was a motion by Steve Henry, second by Sue Engstrom for the following: Be it resolved that the DCLA supports that the MPCA issue a new NPDES permit to ALASD to include a reduction in phosphorous and chloride levels in area lakes. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Klemann
Executive Secretary
DCLA