**Crystal Lake – Perch Lake Property Owners Association**

**Summer Meeting Minutes**

**14 July 2018**

*Trustees in Attendance:*

* Marty Mulloy, President
* Stan Kirkwood, Vice President
* Mike King, Treasurer
* Rick Applegate, Roads
* Bob Conn, Lakes
* Mary Lou Suarez, Special Events

*Call to Order:*

Marty Mulloy at 10:00 AM, led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members introduced themselves.

*Introduction of New Members:*

New Lake members Dave and JoAnne Scandinaro (Lot #32) and Garne Campbell (Lot # 126-127) introduced themselves and were welcomed as members of the Lake Association.

*Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:*

Motion to approve minutes – Rachel Massey; seconded by Judy Moskus

*Special Events Report:*

Mary Lou reminded the attendees that we are having the Association Picnic this afternoon following todays meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

At the Spring Meeting we decided to cancel the annual Christmas Party. We voted to establish an Autumn Fest Party that is scheduled for September 29, 2018. A key feature of the event will be a Chili Cook-off Contest. Need 10 people to volunteer to present their chili dishes that will be judged and awards passed out to the winners.

*President’s & Secretary’s Report:*

Marty noted that the Board has worked very well together as a team – focusing a good portion of its time on developing the CLPLPOA Master Plan. This plan will be presented later in the meeting.

Events beyond her control resulted in Mela being unable to attend todays meeting. It was emphasized that all members need to forward their Email address to the Secretary to assure they are receiving Lakes information on a timely basis.

Members are encouraged to visit the Association’s Web Site: crystalperchlakes.com -- Mela and Ryan have done a great job developing and maintaining the web site.

*Vice Presidents Report*

Stan provided a broad overview of the strategic planning process and deferred his comments until the presentation later in the meeting.

*Treasurer’s Report:*

Mike King went over the Association’s financial position. We have only 2 liens on properties (six were removed in July).

Of the 127 lot owners -- 124 (98%) paid their roads dues.

Administrative dues of $25 -- Eighteen of the thirty owners paid.

Mike reviewed the proposed 2018-2019 Budget – Members approved the proposal (hand out of the budget was distributed to the members). The budget has been added to the bottom of these minutes (see below).

Mike proposed Roads dues of $250 and Administrative dues of $25 be carried forward for the next calendar year. The members approved the proposal.

*Roads Report:*

Members stated they were very pleased with the condition of the roads and they appreciated Rick’s hard work. Rick asked all members and their guests to follow speed limit signs that are posted along the roads.

Rick reported on the activity of the Fish Committee – The second annual Kid’s Fishing Day was a great success. The Van Derworp’s kindly offered up their place to host the event – 14 children participated and everyone had a great time. Participants received a tackle box and lunch. Special prizes of a rod and reel went to the boy and girl catching the largest fish.

Carp Harvest – Rick harvested 35 carp this spring. The members were very appreciative and requested that we continue the Carp Harvest Initiative for 2018-2019.

The last stocking initiative in 2018 is crappie in autumn. We are in the 7th year of our fish-stocking program – please let us know if anyone catches a large walleye.

*Lakes and Foundation Report*:

Bob reminded members that the Township was sponsoring a music series in Park – the band Vinyl Groove will be performing at 6pm on July 20th.

The summer weed treatment was completed last week – so the lake’s weeds should be dissipating. The last few weeks of over 85 degree temperatures has increased the algae blooms – we are in a vicious cycle high temperatures and bright sun create weeds.

Sonar treatment on Perch Lake has gotten rid of most of the Milfoil weeds. We need only small treatments over the next 2 years. Several members voiced their appreciation for the effort Bob has put forth to address the invasive milfoil weed.

We are spraying Crystal Lake for starry stonewort, curly weeds and pondweeds. Bob noted that not all weeds are necessarily bad – the lakes natural habitat should include some weeds for oxygen and animal life.

Bob noted the improvements that have taken place in navigating through the channel from Crystal into Little Crystal Lake. In the past this channel was choked with weeds. The Board approved the purchase of a 14 ft. aluminum Jon Boat, 9-horse power engine and trolling motor. Chad Fish and Mike Holden have worked tirelessly to clear the channel of weeds. The result has exceeded our expectations – Bob invited the members to take their watercraft and view the progress for themselves.

Bob stressed the gas powered outboard engine is the property of the Board and use of the outboard is controlled by the Board.

Bob mentioned that the weir is functioning as it is designed.

Bob stressed -- Please do not feed the ducks & swans – swimmers itch is no fun!

Several questions asked by the members:

Are our algae blooms similar to Lake Erie’s algae blooms that are considered very dangerous? Bob answered – No Lake Erie’s algae is nutrient loaded, our algae is not.

Can we do anything about the farm nutrient load run off? Bob said he would cover the issue in the Master Plan discussion.

*Lakes Foundation Report:*

Collected YTD: $11,635 (general), $2,265 (fishing), $2,265 (Christmas auction) totaling $16,355.

Expenses YTD: $15,117 (general), $3,825 (fishing) totaling $18,942

YTD Shortage of $2,587

Dave emphasized that we need more people donating to the Foundation to support the lakes -- presently approximately 60% of the lake residents contribute to the Foundation.

It was noted that in the future, if we do not have sufficient funds to properly treat the lake – the lakes would turn into swamps. It is imperative that we fund the lakes properly.

The Foundations Budget for 2018 was approved by the membership. But with a caveat that continuing to run budgets deficits is unsustainable and a plan needs to be developed to address the gap between revenue inflow and cash outflow.

*Old Business*

No Old Business issues were raised by the Membership.

*New Business*

Presentation of the CLPLPOA Master Plan (Attached) -- Marty and Stan made the presentation to the members. All Board members contributed in responding to questions and providing subject matter expertise through out the presentation.

The members were very receptive to the presentation material and approved the Master Plan. There were specific proposals that required changes to the by-laws that were approved unanimously by the membership. These include the following:

**1. Lake Preservation Fees Article II, Section 8** -- Fees for weed control treatment of either Crystal or Perch Lake will determined at the regular Fall Meeting. The membership approved changing the approval date to the regular Summer Meeting.

**2. Board of Trustees – Article IV, Section2** – Added the words “in good standing”

**3. Term as a Board Member Article IV, Section 3 –** At the Annual Summer Meeting – Trustee term expires, an election for a 3-year term is to be held. This language was changed to -- New Trustees elected for 3 year terms. Existing trustees may extend their service year by year (Chuck Hopkins precedent)

**4. Officers Article V, Section 1 –** The President and VP shall hold their Office for one year and Secretary and Treasurer hold their Office for two years. These both changes to -- leave to the discretion of the Board.

The Board’s present Special Events coordinator Mary Lou Suarez has decided to resign from the Board on January 1, 2019. She has provided two years of outstanding service – we than. Denise Scholtz volunteered to fill the position – she will be officially voted in at the next Board meeting.

**5. Membership, Dues and Fees Article II, Section 8** – Individual lot weed spraying coordinated by the Lake Associations’ will not be provided to members that do not contribute to the annual general Lake Foundation fund. Additionally, members that do not contribute to the Lake Foundation will not be eligible to use equipment and tools that are owned by the Association (i.e.; hydro sweep, outboard motor, etc..).

*Volunteers Sign-up Sheet*

Marty asked the following people that had signed up to be volunteers if they are still interested. These names include:

Name Interest

Vanessa Campbell Newsletter / Mailings

Ann Dyjack Mailings & Auction Board

Linda McCracken Mailings & Whatever Needed

Denise Schlotz Special Events

Elizabeth LaPorte Education – Healthy Lake

Ruth Ann Fifield Whatever Needed

Cindy Applegate Whatever Needed

Judy Moskus Legal Issues

Dick Johnson Just About Anything

Dave VanDerworp Just About Anything

Dr. Gedy Love History of the Lakes

Peggy O’Neill Animal Wildlife

Annemarie Asher & Wayne Gardening & Sewing

Snyder

Chuck & Ruthann Fiefield Pen & Ink Art & By-Laws

New Volunteers – signed up at today’s meeting (Specific are of Interest TBD):

Lois Plantefaber

Ann Dyjach

Elaine Tetreault

Betty Pluto

Thea Kirkwood

Janet Mulloy

*Adjourn 12:00 pm*

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Rachel Massey and seconded by Cheryl Bias

Submitted by Marty Mulloy 7-16-18

**Crystal Lake / Perch Lake Property Owners Association (CLPLPOA)**

**Proposed Budget 2018-2019**

Income Planned Actual Budget

Road Dues $30,000 $31,000 $30,000

Administrative Dues $ 3,675 $ 3,550 $ 3,500

Unremitted dues $ 500 $ 550 $ 500

**Total Income** **$34,175 $35,100 $34,000**

Expenses

Roads

Snow Plow $14,000 $ 6,580 $10,000

Dust Control $ 5,000 $ 4,233 $ 5,500

Fuel $ 600 $ 865 $ 1,000

Maintenance $ 1,500 $10,769 $ 3,000

Gravel $ 3,500 $ 3,216 $ 3,500

Mowing $ 1,300 $ 1,070 $ 1,500

Signage $ 500 $ 94 $ 500

Miscellaneous $ 500 $ 333 $ 500

Altec Replacement/Storage $ 2,000

Total $26,900 $27,160 $27,500

Administrative

Insurance $ 3,000 $ 2,390 $2,500

Postage/General $ 700 $ 1,062 $1,000

Special Projects $ 1,000 $ 120 $1,000

Donations $ 200 \_ \_\_

Total $ 4,900 $ 3,572 $4,500

Special Events

Summer Picnic $ 1,000 $ 1,275 $1,000

Christmas Party $ 1,200 $ 872 $1,000

Other $ 175 \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Total $ 2,375 $ 2,147 $2,000

**Total Expenses $34,175 $32,879 $34,000**