

Diamond Lakers, Inc.
Annual Association Meeting
July 18, 2015

The Annual Meeting of the Diamond Lakers Inc. was held at Sarah and Todd Stivland's residence, on Saturday, July 18, 2015. Cary "Frosty" Palmer called the meeting to order. Frosty introduced himself as the new President of the association.

New Members:

Jim Peterson introduced himself as a new member and they have recently completed building their new cabin on the south end of the lake.

Officers and Board Members:

Officers and Board Members in attendance were introduced.

Minute Review

The minutes of the July 19, 2014 annual meeting were reviewed as posted on the website and there was a motion to approve.

Treasurer Report

Larry Sanderson reported there was a beginning balance as of 7/19/14 of \$4,409.85 with deposits of \$1030.00, and disbursements of \$1,206.50 for an ending balance of \$4,233.35 as of 7 /18/15.

Water Testing of Diamond Lake

Larry & Audrey Sanderson reviewed the 2014 water testing that they have conducted on the lake. There were seven samples completed and the water clarity was 10.25 feet compared to average lakes in the area at 8.5 feet. Other readings were also at better levels than the average for other lakes in the area.

Wildlife & Fishing Report

There have been no sightings of baby loons on the lake this year but there are several loons on the lake. It was a harsh winter this year so the deer population seems to be down. It is reported to be a good year for fishing for walleye and largemouth bass.

Old Business

Frosty reviewed that in follow-up to the discussion of the recreational boating hours at the 2014 annual meeting, the Board of Directors determined that they did not recommend changing the current hours but a mail-in ballot was sent out allowing all paid members to vote on leaving the hours the same (10 AM - 6 PM) or changing the hours to 10 AM - 7 PM. There were 36 voting members and 27 voted to leave the hours the same and 9 voted to change the hours, so the hours will remain the same.

Nominations Committee Report

Frosty reviewed the slate of officers and Board members for election/re-election:

Vice President: Bob Jacobel
Treasurer: Larry Sanderson
Board of Directors: Ed Wallen, Sarah Stivland

The slate of officers and directors were elected.

There was a question raised about how members know of vacancies. As per the Bylaws, officers and board members are elected for 2 year terms. In the future, vacancies will be included in the newsletters so that volunteers can contact the chair of the Nominating Committee if they are interested in filling a position.

New Business - Propane

Frosty reviewed material that was presented at the 2015 Northwest Wisconsin Lakes Conference that was held in Hayward.

Frosty reviewed the concept of forming a “co-op” so that Diamond Lakers could join with the Lake Owen/Lake Namakagon Associations group to leverage purchasing power for propane. The Lake Owen/Lake Namakagon group have a new contract for propane with Superior Gas for \$1.47/gallon. Interested members should email Frosty with their Name, Address, Size of Tank and if they lease or own their tank. There was also a question about costs to exchange a tank and whether or not there is the option to purchase a tank for a reasonable price.

Boat Parade and Future Activities

Frosty reviewed that there was an excellent turnout for the 4th of July Boat Parade with a dozen boats participating as well as many viewing the parade from their docks. Frosty asked for volunteers to help organize the parade for next year as well as to plan a gathering for afterwards. Volunteers included: Sally Carlson, Linda Johnson and Ruth Lauritzen. Members were given the opportunity to vote on most Patriotic Boat and the most Original Boat in the parade based on the numbered photographs that Frosty provided and a trophy was awarded to each of these categories.

Frosty also reviewed plans to visit with other lake associations to obtain ideas for future social activities for Diamond Lake.

Location of 2016 Annual Meeting

Sarah Stivland volunteered to have the meeting at their house again next year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Trankel, Secretary