

Meeting Minutes of the Phelps Town Lakes Committee  
September 16, 2010  
Phelps Town Hall

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:06 PM by President Dave Roberts.

**2. Verification of posting agenda**

Meeting was properly posted.

**3. Roll Call**

Present: Dave Roberts, John Rowe, Tom Power & Rollie Alger,

**4. Approved Agenda**

Agenda was OK. Moved by Power and seconded by Rowe. Passed.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of July 29, 2010 were reviewed. Moved by Rowe and seconded by Alger to approve the minutes. Minutes unanimously approved.

**6. Public comments:**

Need to discuss at our next meeting a replacement for Jerry Parker.

**7. Discussion and Action Items**

- a. AIS Signage/Reverse Signage: No report.
- b. AIS issues on local lakes. No report. Question: Have the new reverse AIS signs distributed at our last meeting been posted on selected lakes? Ask at next meeting.
- c. Phelps invasive species: (Ritter) No report.
- d. Spring 2011 Lakes Meeting: We now have a list of lake property owners in the town. Roberts indicated that we might consider having a topic that addresses how AIS in lakes impacts property values. Possibly have two presentations, snack and then discussion on how to get involved in the town lakes committee. Possible topics: **lake levels (shallow lakes) (Sandy Gillum, DNR, USGS)**; Property values and AIS, **new Vilas County Septic system rules (Dawn Schmidt)**; new pier regulations; **Loon presentation (Alger)**. (Topics in bold were the selected topics.) Have each lake association/district present a fact sheet on what they are doing on their lake. We need to try to get representatives from other lakes in the town that do not have lake associations/districts.
- e. 2010 Budget status: Very little of the budget has been spent. We have \$ 1819.59 (transferred money) plus \$150 in the levy. For the 2011 town lakes committee budget, it was recommended that we request the \$750 carry over sign dollars, \$400 Misc. (Hach DO meter calibration, postage, regatta, office supplies). Alger will put budget together and give it to Marge.
- f. Phelps town board representative input: Representative not present.
- g. VCLA update: VCLA has met with Maggie Bishop at TFT and they are developing a proposal for VCLA to review concerning developing a one-day shoreland instructional unit for middle school students. This instruction would be presented by a TFT naturalist. VCLA will be visiting six lake properties nominated for the Blue Heron Shoreland Stewardship Award. These visitations will take place on September 23, 2010.
- h. WAL legislative update: No information yet.
- i. Status of Phelps town signage committee: Alger met with the Lamberts after the September town board meeting and indicated that the town lakes committee would like to have a representative on the sign committee when they discuss signage welcoming visitors to Phelps. They indicated that they will not be discussing these sign for awhile yet.
- j. Slow No-Wake, Electric Trolling Motor Only Ordinance: Alger provided documents from all of the property owners on Imogene Lake indicating their approval of the proposed Slow No Wake

- electric trolling motors only ordinance. Moved by Alger to forward the proposed ordinance to the town board for their review and approval. Seconded by Power. Approved unanimously,
- k. Boat landings in town of Phelps: Made copies of list of town lakes. Reviewed the list. Next meeting we will identify which lakes have had plant surveys. Lake representatives should come to our next meeting and tell us if they have had a plant survey conducted on their lake.
  - l. Sharing newsletter update: Roberts emailed Tuckey Requa concerning placing our minutes on the town's website (not Chamber website). Roberts will continue to pursue getting our minutes on the town website, post lake association newsletters and will have her put lake association/district website links (Long Lake) on the town website also. Members are asked to bring web site information to the next meeting.

9. Next Meeting: Monday, October 25, 2010 at 6 PM in the Town Hall.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Power and seconded by Rowe to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rollie Alger, Secretary