

Meeting Minutes of the Phelps Town Lakes Committee
April 4, 2011
Phelps Fire Hall

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM by President Dave Roberts.

2. Verification of posting agenda

Meeting was properly posted.

3. Roll Call

Present: Dave Roberts, John Rowe, Dick Ryan, Claude Johann, Ted Ritter, Tom Power & Rollie Alger.

4. Approved Agenda

Agenda was OK.

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of October 25, 2010 were reviewed. Moved by Power and seconded by Ryan to approve the minutes. Minutes unanimously approved.

6. Public comments:

- a) Roberts indicated that the Kentuck Lake District would hold their annual meeting on May 28, 2011 at 8:30 AM at the Phelps Fire Hall.
- b) Roberts reported that the Kentuck Lake District was beginning the process of developing a comprehensive Lake Management Plan.
- c) Roberts indicated that we needed to update our town lakes committee roster. He passed around a copy and asked us to update it.
- d) Ritter indicated that in six months, the county will no longer place information form town lakes committees on its website. Since the Phelps Town Lakes Committee places its agendas and minutes on both the county and Town of Phelps websites, that will not be a problem for us.
- e) Alger indicated that the grant request from Spectacle Lake District to begin their comprehensive Lake Management Planning was approved.
- f) Alger presented a rendering of a notice that will be posted on the public landing at Imogene Lake notifying individuals about the recently approved slow no-wake, electric trolling motors only ordinance.

7. Discussion and Action Items

- a. AIS Signage/Reverse Signage: Ritter indicated that all of the lakes within the town that have been identified with invasive species have received the new state AIS signs except Kentuck Lake. Ritter provided a sign to Roberts to place at the town landing on Kentuck Lake. Ritter also provided a sign to Alger to place on the Smoky Lake town landing. Ritter also provided a survey to be completed when these two signs were installed. The completed surveys are to be returned to Ritter.
- b. AIS issues on local lakes. No report
- c. Phelps invasive species: No report
- d. Spring 2011 Lakes Meeting: To be held June 18, 2011 at the Phelps School Commons. Registration will be 9:00-9:15. 9:15 – 10:00 Presentation on the new septic rules by the Vilas County Zoning Office. 10:00 – 10:15 Break. 10:15 – 11:00 Loon presentation. Johann will bring a 30-cup coffee pot and Alger will bring two additional ones from church. Alger will work with the town clerk to purchase the coffee and snacks. Members of the committee are asked to obtain door prizes. Alger will create an invitation for the “Town Lakes Committee Coffee” as well as write a press release. These will be sent electronically to the committee members when completed. The committee reviewed the address list of residents living on lakes in the town and identified those lakes we desired to have labels printed. Once the labels are printed, depending

- upon the number, we will mail an announcement of the "Coffee" to these residents. On the other town lakes, a lakes committee/district exists and they will inform their membership about the "Coffee".
- e. 2011 Budget status: The 2011 budget was approved by the town board. A total sum of \$7150 was proposed (\$750 for AIS signs; \$400 for miscellaneous; \$2,000 for each N/S Twin Lakes, Long Lake District, Big Sand Lake POA).
 - f. Phelps town board representative input: No report.
 - g. Alger reported that VCLA will hold its Celebrating Lakes Day and annual meeting on June 17, 2011 at Moon Beach Camp. A VCLA requested grant was also approved to develop a fieldguide for shoreland plants that are native to the northern boreal forest lakes region (most of Vilas County and parts of surrounding counties). Also, a workshop on spiny water flea was held by the DNR. A copy of the notes from this workshop are attached to the minutes.
 - h. WAL legislative update: Alger indicated that an Action Alert was sent out by Wisconsin Lakes asking us to notify our legislators about the effort to rollback the phosphorus standards just enacted last November. This is WALs top priority for 2011.
 - i. Status of Phelps town signage committee: Nothing new from last meeting.
 - j. Lakes in Town of Phelps: Ritter reported that the process is underway on Lac Vieux Desert to address the presence of EWM and develop a Lake Management Plan.
 - k. Claude Johann volunteered to serve as the vice-chair for the town lakes committee. This will be sent to the town board for approval.

9. Next Meeting: May 17, 2011 at 6 PM in the Town Fire Hall.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Power and seconded by Ryan to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rollie Alger, Secretary