

LOFA Annual Membership Meeting (unapproved draft)
Sunday, August 1, 2021 – Beaver's Resort

Call to order 11:15 am by president Jan Tesch

In attendance: Board members Jan Tesch, Tom Tesch, Mike Moriarity, Cindy Moriarity, Jack Schuett, Randy Roets, Bill Dalpiaz, and Dave Sino were present. Jim Hannemann was absent. Twenty-nine LOFA members were also present.

Meeting attendees introduced themselves.

Secretary's report, which was emailed previously to all members in lieu of being read aloud, was approved. Treasurer's report, including budget and dues update, was read and approved. At the time of the meeting 37 members had paid their dues. At the time of the meeting, the balance in our checking account is \$8723.26.

Committee reports

Fish and Water Quality: Bill Dalpiaz reported on his recent correspondence with Zach Lawson, our area DNR fisheries biologist, leading to a discussion about fish stocking and the possibility of a fish tracking project. Bill is waiting to hear from Zach about the status of the DNR's ongoing Wisconsin Walleye Project in Lake of the Falls. Then Mike Moriarity reported on water testing for temperature and clarity and mentioned that we are also testing for phosphorus and chlorophyll monthly. The results from these water tests can be found on the DNR's website or linked to from lakeofthefalls.org (go to "About our Lake" and scroll to the bottom).

Jan reported on the status of the eagle's nest in the channel between LOTF and First Black Lake. One hatchling has survived out of the original two, and is almost ready to leave the nest.

Old business:

Cindy reported on the new website and there were no questions.

A discussion about the condition of the bridge on Many Rock Road was tabled as Jim Hannemann was to have looked into it and he was not in attendance.

New business:

No election of officers will be held this year due to temporary changes in term limits as a result of the pandemic. All terms were extended for two years since we were not able to have an annual meeting in 2020. The next election of officers will be at the Annual Meeting in 2022.

Cindy reported on the situation upriver regarding the invasive aquatic plant Curly Leaf Pondweed which is present in Rice Lake, Pike Lake, and parts of the Turtle River. She asked for more volunteers to participate in the hand-pulling effort which will take place in summer of 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 12:07.

Picnic attendance: 47