

TOWN OF SAINT GERMAIN LAKES COMMITTEE

Chair - Ted Ritter

Vice Chair - Jim Wendt

<u>Alma- Moon</u>	<u>Big St. Germain</u>	<u>Found</u>	<u>Little St. Germain</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Chamber</u>
K. Beier	M. Deets	R. Gawrys	T. Best	J. D'Amico	R. Watson
D. Zielinski	J. Penkalski	C. Thier/ D. Kloefer	K. Stofflet	B. Wissing	

The July 20, 2004 St. Germain Town Lakes Committee meeting was called to order @ 7:00 P.M. by Chair Ted Ritter.

● **Roll Call** reflected that committee members present were Chair Ted Ritter, Ken Beier, Dave Zielinski, Mike Deets, Jim Penkalski, Ron Gawrys, Dick Kloefer, Tom Best, Ken Stofflet, Bob Wissing. Committee members absent were Vice Chair Jim Wendt, Chuck Their, Jim D'Amico and Chamber representative Ron Watson. Larry Acker from the Town of St. Germain Lakes Fair Committee was also present.

● **Approval of agenda:** Dave Zielinski made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Dick Kloefer. The motion passed unanimously.

● **Approval of the minutes:** Jim Penkalski moved that the minutes from the May 23, 2004 meeting be approved as presented. It was seconded by Mike Deets and passed unanimously.

● **Discussion / Action Items**

1. Lakes Fair: Larry Acker gave a summary of this year's Lakes Fair. He reported that he observed only three resort owners at the fair and he felt somewhat disappointed by that. He said that the day of the Lake Fair was changed from Saturday to Wednesday because several resort owners complained last year they could not attend on Saturday because it was change over day.

The Lakes Fair Committee met after the fair and discussed the possibility of changing the day of next year's fair to either Monday, coinciding with the flea market or the same day as Christmas in July.

The committee also felt that it would be helpful to have the money budgeted for the fair on hand prior to the fair. This would facilitate the ability to pay costs in a timely manner.

Dick Kloefer reported the booths and programs went very well this year, he reported that they were well attended and very well conducted. There was very good response to the programs with a total of 68 people attending them.

The net proceeds for the fair this year was \$2175 compared to \$2598 last year. The

decrease in the proceeds was the result of the silent auction not doing as well. This year's fair drew about 400- 500 people vs. last year there was an estimate of 600-700 people.

There was discussion on what to do next year and if and when the Lakes Committee should proceed ahead with another fair for 2005.

Dick Kloepfer made a motion that the Lakes Committee continue ahead with a 2005 Lakes Fair with Christmas in July being the first choice and a Monday coinciding with the flea market a second choice, as long as there is no conflict with the dates. The Lakes Committee shall have the final say on the date. There shall also be the understanding that there will be a commitment to the Lake Fair by the Lakes Committee members.

The motion was seconded by Ken Stofflet.

Discussion on the motion appealing for more involvement from each of the lakes with a commitment from the residents on the lakes. Committee members will have the obligation getting people from their respective lakes involved with the Lake Fair

The motion passed with one abstention.

2. Clean Boats - Clean Waters Tom Best reported that four committee members recently attended a Clean Boats Clean Waters training class. He stated the class was well presented with a strong push to educate the public on invasive exotics. All of the attending members felt that it was a very worth while class.

Ted Ritter reported that he had received information from Chuck Thier regarding an incident at the Found Lake Boat Landing. A resident at Found Lake recently observed a boat trailer at the boat landing that had aquatic type plants hanging from the trailer. The plants appeared to Eurasian Watermilfoil, however no one could be certain of that. The truck and the trailer had Illinois plates. Concerned about the possible spread of exotic plants, the D.N.R. Warden Mike Sealander was contacted. After informing Warden Sealander of the incident, it was learned, that there was a wording problem in the statute. And the D.N.R. has taken the position not to enforce the recently passed state statute (regarding plants and exotic species on boats or trailers) until there is a clarification of the statute.

3. Small scale grant application: Ted Ritter reported that he was in process of preparing a small scale grant that could be used for a town's clean boats clean waters program. The grant amount would be \$4,000 and it must be submitted by August 1, 2004. There was discussion on the purpose of the grant and if the committee should proceed with the grant and how it could be applied.

It was noted that the grant if approved would be for the amount of \$3,000 and the remaining \$1,000 plus any additional costs for the clean boats - clean waters program would be the responsibility of the Lakes Committee.

A motion was made by Ken Stofflet to proceed ahead with the grant application to support a clean boats clean waters program. The grant amount will be \$4,000.

The motion was seconded by Jim Penkalski.

Budget & cost items for a town clean boats clean waters program were discussed.

With no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

There was motion by Ron Gawrys to table any additional educational grants at this time.

The motion was seconded by Dick Kloepfer.

The motion passed unanimously

4. Plant inventory study update: Ted Ritter informed the committee that the first phase of plant survey has been completed. Tim Hoyman from N.E.S. reported that no Curly Leaf was found in any of the lakes. The second phase of the study will include the need for volunteers for plant pressing. A training date was scheduled for **Wednesday, July 28, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. at the town's Red Brick Building.** Volunteers from the all the lakes should meet there for training.

● **Committee Concerns:** None

● **Citizen Concerns:** No citizens present at this time.

● **Time and date of next meeting:** Tuesday, September 21, 2004 @ 7:00 P.M. @ the Red Brick Building, St. Germain, Wisconsin.

● **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth F. Beier