

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	J. Pfister
D. Zielinski	J. Penkalski	C. Thier/ D. Kloepfer	K. Stofflet	B. Wissing	

The meeting of the Town of St. Germain Lakes Committee was called to order on Sept. 21, 2004 at 7:00 PM in the Red Brick School House, St. Germain, Wisconsin by Chairman Ted Ritter.

Roll Call:

Committee members present: Chair, Ted Ritter, Ken Beier, Dave Zielinski, Mike Deets, Ron Gawrys, Dick Kloepfer, Bob Wissing and John Pfister.

Committee members absent: Jim Penkalski, Chuck Thier, Tom Best, Ken Stofflet, Jim D'Amico

Others Present: Larry Acker, Ron Hutts, Richard Polaski, Mary Platner.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion by Ron Gawrys to approve the minutes as posted and presented, seconded by Dick Kloepfer. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion by Dave Zielinski to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2004 meeting as presented. Seconded by Bob Wissing. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Dave Zielinski handed out a copy of the treasurer's report. The report showing an ending balance of \$35,302.49. The report also shows the source of funds and the use of funds.

Ron Gawrys questioned line 305 of the treasurer's report. Regarding the \$12,000 that was given to Little St. Germain Lake District, it was learned that Little St. Germain Lake District had or will receive another grant for \$120,000 to be used over the next five years. He felt that the \$12,000 should be returned to the Lakes Committee. There was discussion on Ron's concern. It was decided it should remain as previously voted on by the committee.

There was a motion by Dick Kloepfer to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Mike Deets. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion / action items:

1. Plant inventory study update:

An update report from Tim Hoyman was handed out to the committee. The report showed the progress of the aquatic plant study. It was noted that there was no curly-leaf pondweed found in any of the lakes that were surveyed. Because of cool & wet weather conditions this past summer all of the lakes were not completed during the comprehensive study. Fawn and Content Lakes will be completed in spring of 2005. The volunteer study training sessions will be done early next summer instead of this fall.

2. Lakes Fair Update:

Dick Kloepfer acknowledged that there has not been a meeting of the Lakes Fair Committee to set a date for next year's fair.

It was noted that the Lakes Fair could be in jeopardy because of the lack of volunteers. Committee members are requested to get representatives from their respective lakes to help with the fair. More people

from the community are needed to make the fair successful.

The Lakes Fair Committee will meet on Tuesday, Sept, 28, 2004 at 9:00 AM at the community center to determine a course of action for the fair.

3. Fish and Wildlife Club distribution of lakes improvement funds:

Larry Acker was asked to give a history of how the distribution funds was started. The money was received from the town from the room tax fund. Money was also obtained from the chamber. Town lakes plus Pickerel Lake were allocated money for lake improvements. Pickerel Lake was included in a portion of the formula because they belong to the Chamber.

Richard Polaski from the Wildlife Club reported that all money received for lake improvements is room tax money. He stated that he and two other members from the club had a meeting to determine on how it would be fair and equitable to distribute the funds.

As a result of their meeting guidelines for allocation of funds were recommended. They are:

1. The Lake Improvement Committee shall consist of at least three members of the club. The president, and two members at large.
2. The lake must have a public boat landing to participate in the program.
3. The minimum contribution from a lake shall be \$250.00 and the maximum contribution would be \$1,000. The contributions from the lakes must be deposited with the Sayner- St. Germain Fish and Wildlife Club no later than May 1st of the calendar year.
4. No one lake can earn more than 25% of the total funds unless fewer than four lakes participate.
5. All allocation of funding received from the town and chamber will be reviewed on a year to year basis.
6. Any monetary interest gained through the administration of this program will become the sole property of the Sayner-St. Germain Fish and Wildlife Club.

After the presentation of the guidelines there was discussion on this matter. There was some concern over the \$1,000 cap contribution. It was explained that this was put in to prevent any one lake capitalizing on the funds. Dick Kloepfer announced that he felt comfortable with the Fish and Wildlife club continuing to run this program.

A motion was made by Ron Gawrys to have the Sayner-St. Germain Fish and Wildlife Club continue to run the lake improvement funds.

The motion was seconded by Dick Kloepfer. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Small scale grant application :

Ted Ritter gave an update on the small scale grant. He stated believing that it was a 75% grant for exotic species he learned it is in fact a 50% grant. An application has been made for this grant and if approved \$2500 would be received from the D.N.R. with \$2500 matching funds from the committee. The money has not been received as of yet

5. Clean Boats - Clean Waters 2005 inspection program

Ted Ritter stated that even if the small scale grant money is not received it would be a good idea to go ahead with the Clean Boats Clean Waters program for 2005.

Some of the things needed for this program to be successful include, inspectors at the boat landings, people to work the lakes fair, training in Clean Boats - Clean Waters. The question was raised, if the committee was taking on more than it can handle by itself, to accomplish these goals. Volunteers will be needed and there was consideration to appeal to the community for help with these projects.

The committee members were asked to come to the next meeting with suggestions on how to get some help from the community with this project .

Committee concerns:

Ken Beier announced that there will be a Musky Tournament in St. Germain next weekend - Oct 1st through Oct. 3rd. The message of the importance on the spread of exotics could be made to the participants in this tournament. It was suggested that someone give a five minute talk at the tournament on Friday Oct. 1, 2004. Ted Ritter said he would give the talk.

Citizen Concerns: None

Time and date of next meeting: October 19, 2004 @ 7:00 PM

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM

Respectfully submitted

Ken Beier, Secretary