

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 Dec. 7, 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, Jim Penkalski, Ron Gawrys, , Ken Stofflet, Bob Wissing

Committee members absent: Vice Chair Jim Wendt, Dick Kloepfer, Chuck Thier, Tom Best, Jim D' Amico and J. Pfister

Others Present: Larry Acker

Approval of the agenda:

A motion by Mike Deets to approve the agenda as posted and presented, seconded by Jim Penkalski. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report:

Dave Zielinski gave the treasure's report , stating that currently there is \$25,516.40 available to the committee. This includes recently received check of \$1,875.00 for the Clean Boats Clean Waters grant.

Ted Ritter announced that the small scale grant has been approved and he has received the check for \$1,875.00 that has been turned over to Dave Zielinski for deposit. This is only 75% of the money and the remaining 25% of the grant money will be received upon completion of the Clean Boats Clean Waters program.

Ted Ritter reported the town's budget has been approved and that \$25,000 of room tax money has been authorized to the lakes committee account.

On behalf of the Little St. Germain Lake District, Ted Ritter has been asked to approach the Lakes Committee. Requesting consideration with the allocation of \$5,000 to assist with an on going invasive aquatic plant problem in Little St. Germain Lake. There was some discussion on this mater but no action was taken at this and it will be put on the agenda for the next meeting as an action item.

Discussion / Action Items:

1. Consider draft of proposed community letter

A letter drafted by Ted Ritter was presented to the committee for approval. After reviewing the letter, a suggestion was made by Jim Penkalski to remove the wording volunteer and replace it with "Lake Patrol Member." With the suggested changes, it was agreed the letter should be sent out to all residents of St. Germain sometime in March. Mike Deets will check with the US Post Office on costs for mailings.

2. Consider development of plan of action to achieve needed community volunteers:

It was suggested that a kick off meeting should take place sometime in early April. Two kick off meetings were thought to be best, one being midweek in the evening and one during the day on Saturday. This would accommodate most residents schedules.

It was recommended that a letter should be sent to all the public service clubs in town. The letter would request that a member of the committee to speak at one of their upcoming meetings explaining the objective of this program. Ted Ritter will draft this letter.

Another recommendation was to get Public Service Announcements out prior to the kick off to generate awareness to this project.

It was recognized that there are a quite a few private boat landings on most lakes. A suggestion was made to identify all private boat landings. Contact the property owner of each landing and advise them of the Clean Boats Clean Waters program and the Lake Patrol project.

3. Develop plan to begin gathering materials for boat landing inspections:

It was agreed that vests with wording "Lake Patrol" would be needed for the lake patrol members.

There was a suggestion that maybe a light jacket (nylon shell type) would be a good way to getting the word out and people interested, what this project is all about. Jim Penkalski will check with the snowmobile club where they got their Trail Patrol vests and Ken Beier will also check on costs for vests and jackets.

Citizen Concerns:

Larry Acker gave a brief update on the Lakes Fair. He reported that he has received a commitment from Wal-Mart and Zebco for the kids fishing contest. The Lakes fair committee has another meeting scheduled for January.

Time and date for next meeting:

The next Lakes Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 11, 2005 @ 7:00 PM in the Red Brick School House, St. Germain, WI..

Adjourn:

Ron Gawrys made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Penkalski. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Beier, Secretary