

TOWN OF SAINT GERMAIN LAKES COMMITTEE

Chair - Ted Ritter

Vice Chair - Todd Wiese

<u>Alma/Moon</u>	<u>Big St. Germain</u>	<u>Found</u>	<u>Little St. Germain</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>At Large</u>
R. Hutts D. Zielinski	M. Deets J. Harold J. Pfister (alt)	C. Thier D. Kloepfer B. Shell (alt)	T. Best L Mirek	J. Heeler J. Peil L. Peil (alt)	Vacant

MEETING MINUTES – AUG 15, 2006

The meeting of the Town of Saint Germain Lakes Committee was called to order by Chairman Ted Ritter at 7:00PM on Tuesday, August 15, 2006, in the Red Brick School House, in the Town of St. Germain, State of Wisconsin.

Committee Roll Call:

Committee members present: Voting members Dave Zielinski, Ron Hutts, Mike Deets, Jim Harold, Chuck Thier, Dick Kloepfer, Tom Best, Lou Mirek, Jeff Heeler and Jack Peil. Alternate voting members Bob Shell and Linda Peil. A quorum was determined to be present. Also present were Chairman Ted Ritter and Vice-chairman Todd Wiese.

Committee Members Absent: Alternate John Pfister

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Chuck Thier to approve the agenda, seconded by Lou Mirek. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the minutes: Motion by Chuck Thier, seconded by Jack Peil to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Review: Presented by Dave Zielinski. Motion by Chuck Thier, seconded by Ron Hutts to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion / Action items:

- 1. Review status of 2006 grant funded project:** Lou Mirek reported that 800 – 900 volunteer hours of the 1,275 needed for full grant reimbursement have been accounted for. Coordinator, Bob Kohlhoff, has approximately 3 weeks remaining for his summer employment. Bob will be asked by Lou to prepare a written summary of his experiences this summer including his observations of the project and suggestions for improvement.
- 2. Consideration of 2007 AIS project and funding options:** Ted Ritter asked the voting members for their views on whether the efforts to continue AIS public awareness, watercraft inspections and lake monitoring should continue in 2007. Without exception, those in attendance felt the program should be continued.

Ted then reviewed his suggestion for placing responsibility for needed volunteer hours on each lake organization based on the shoreline formula which had been used for allocating the local cost share of the aquatic plant management plan project. Any participating lake that failed to satisfy their in-kind volunteer contribution would make up the difference as a cash reimbursement to the town. Response to the idea was favorable, but with concern over the ability of a lake to simply “buy out” of their responsibility for achieving public awareness and involvement that is accomplished through volunteerism. All were encouraged to consider the idea further and be prepared to discuss it again at the next meeting.
- 3. Public comments:** Ellen Allen, a property owner on Little Saint Germain Lake, was present to discuss concerns she had submitted in writing to the Committee regarding unsafe boating activities in the west end of West Bay. Ted read her letter aloud, then thanked Ellen for bringing her concerns to the Committee, but explained that the issue was not of a nature to be addressed by the Committee. Ted promised to refer the matter to the Little Saint Germain Lake District Board of Commissioners for consideration at the district's upcoming annual meeting.
- 4. Board concerns:** None
- 5. Set time & date for next meeting:** Tuesday, October 10, 7:00pm, Red Brick School House
- 6. Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.