



Greetings from the President

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Loveless Lake Fall Meeting

Saturday, August 29, 2015
9:00-11:00AM

Polk County Justice Center
Community Room
Balsam Lake, WI

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Introductions
- Approval of Minutes
- Reports:
 - Treasurer's Report
 - President's Report
- Old Business:
 - Committee Updates
- New Business:
 - Fall Lake Survey
 - Refreshments for spring meeting
- Questions/Comments/Announcements
- Adjournment

I hope all of our Loveless Lake families are having another exciting fun filled summer.

The lake has been good considering the early ice out and warm summer. The weed growth has been greater than normal, but until now the lake has been ok for summer fun.

Our Polk county land and water people, Jeremy Williamson, attended the spring meeting to discuss the planned fall aerial survey and ascertain the best plan for lake conservation and repair. Jeremy showed us the run off locations and which were worst offenders. Last fall we did a shoreline mapping survey to review lake runoff and types of shoreline vegetation we have around the lake. These surveys will help us make better decisions about how to clean up the lake.



My goals as Loveless Lake president are:

1. Work to have more families active in Loveless Lake Association and cleaning up our lake.
2. I plan look at options for setting up a lake district to prepare for future lake clean-up work.
3. Help more lake families learn what to do to protect our lake.
4. Create a better future for Loveless Lake.

I also want to thank Jodi Halliday, our new treasurer, and the Dodge family for planning and hosting a great summer picnic at Pine Park.

Jim Peterson, President

ANNUAL DUES

Your 2015 association dues of \$20 can be paid to our treasurer at the fall meeting or mail them to:

Jodi Halliday, Treasurer
425 Third Avenue NE
Osseo, MN 55369

PHOSPHORUS-FREE: IT'S THE LAW!

If you fertilize your lake property, be sure to use a phosphorous-free product to help keep our lake clean!

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

www.LovelessLake.org

- LLA Purpose & By-laws
- History of Lake
- Lake Water Quality Info
- Links to Popular Resources

News From Your Neighbors



Niles Taylor with his two nephews Jacob, 8, and Jeffrey, 11 after getting them both up on skis for the first time 8/8/2015.



"I'm not gonna kiss him! You do it!"
Twin granddaughters of Pauly & Debbie Cudd with their "prince".

THE 2015 SUMMER PICNIC was a great success! We had about 20 people participate, and the park shelter was perfect! I vote that we use that in the future. There were more than enough tables and grills and electricity. The whole Dodge Lodge crew helped out to get everything in good shape. It was a lovely day and Rodger and Sharon Peissig brought their beautiful antique car to show everyone. I am hoping we have a bigger turnout next year!



The morning walk around the lake was also nice. We had about 10 people and some excitement. We found bear tracks (or a VERY large dog) on Niles Lane by the Jeff Cruezer and Blaine Erickson homes. They were fresh as it had rained the night before and they were very distinctive!

Jodi Halliday

Jeff & Dar Cruezer would like to remind everyone on the lake to check their roofs for hail damage from the early July storm. They are getting two new roofs put on in the next couple weeks due to the damage.

Every day at the lake is a good day!

Solar Array Installed

The Sol-Lectric 3.92 Kilowatt pole mounted systems was installed at **Frank Kelly's** place by Energy Concepts out of Hudson. The system is up and running and they are already saving money on electricity costs. The solar array is connected to the utility and keeps track of the electricity produced and then they are credited for the production. The system does not have a battery stack installed, and thus is not a solution for blackouts. If you would like to have a look at the system, please contact Jeff at jeffbkelly17@gmail.com.



Submitted by Susan Barnes.



Luke Peterson learning to ski!

Wanted: Updated Contact Information

Please notify us of any changes to your address, phone and email. As land lines are eliminated, it is important that we have your current information. By sharing your email address with us we will contact you bi-annually with a request to submit news for the newsletter, for notification of special meetings or as an emergency contact in case of storm damage. If you have an email address and would like to be added to the association list please send it to Susan Barnes at sbarnes141@gmail.com.

MAY 16, 2015 SPRING MEETING MINUTES, Submitted by Susan Barnes

Call to order by Jim Peterson (Vice President)

Minutes from last meeting – unanimously approved; 29 members in attendance

Treasurer's Report by Karen Peterson

- Treasury Account
- Beginning Balance \$2114.50
 - Newsletter – 221.82
 - Donuts – \$26.00
 - Dues 280.00
- Ending Balance \$2146.68
- CD \$5085.52
- Treasurer's report approved

Presidents Report (Brett could not attend today's meeting so Jim Peterson stood in)

Guest Speaker – Jeremy Williamson Water Quality Specialist for Polk County

- Water Quality Study Update
 - Goal to manage the phosphorus
 - Jeremy provided charts showing
 - Phosphorous levels measured at top and bottom of lake last summer
 - Average total phosphorous by year from 1993 – 2014
 - Trophic State Index Graph
 - Average phosphorus levels coming out of culverts as measured last summer
 - Focus on the culverts and getting the incoming phosphorous to 0
 - Preliminary data shows we have several culverts that are problematic
 - Jeremy will be getting data from LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging), a remote sensing technology that collects 3-dimensional point clouds of the Earth's surface. This technology is being used for a wide range of applications including high-resolution topographic mapping and 3-dimensional surface modeling as well as infrastructure and biomass studies. Polk County will be mapping the entire county.
 - The LIDAR readings will be able to determine the watershed areas that feed into the lake
 - Jeremy's recommendation is to put off our final lake management plan until after that data is gathered about where water is coming from for each culvert
 - Also need to look at the phosphorous that is on the bottom of the lake
 - Lake water mixes top and bottom every year in the beginning of July causing the phosphorous on the bottom to mix with water on the top. Mixing is caused by wind, boat traffic, etc.
 - Shallow lakes are more prone to this. Water doesn't mix in lake that are 36 feet deep or more
 - Jeremy will be able to estimate the amount of phosphorous coming from the bottom of the lake once the data is all in
 - Phosphorous at the bottom is most likely from farm land not being managed pre 1992
 - There are ways to control phosphorous on bottom that we can use if necessary. Long Lake is currently doing this. It's expensive but effective.
 - Septic systems – not usually a large contributor to the problem
 - We can add it to the management plan if we feel it is an issue
 - Other factors to consider
 - Clear cutting by county
 - Encouraging rain gardens, native shoreline restoration, etc especially where there are impervious surfaces around the lake like driveways and roofs
 - We need to continue to police culvert maintenance and contact the county or Jeremy's engineer if there are issues.
 - Next Steps
 - We will have accurate data in 8 – 12 months
 - Our reduction goals will be built based on this data
 - DNR will require we fix water coming in to the lake via the culverts first

(Spring Meeting Minutes continued)

- Discussion of becoming a Lake District
 - Ability to raise funds
 - More clout with county
- Upcoming Events – everyone is welcome! All events are free.
Please contact Katelin Holm for more information. Katelin.holm@co.polk.wi.us, 715 485 8637
 - Polk County Aquatic Invasive Species Strategic Plan
 - Wednesday May 20th, 7-9pm, Polk County Justice Center
 - Wednesday June 17th, 7-9pm, Polk County Justice Center
 - Project RED Training – learn to monitor rivers and streams for invasive species
 - Classroom training: Thursday, June 11th, 6-8pm OR Tuesday, June 16th, 6-8pm, St Croix River Association, St Croix Falls
 - Aquatic Invasive Species Citizen Lake Monitoring Network
 - Wednesday, July 15th, 1-4pm, Polk County Government Center
 - Spotted Knapweed Training
 - Wednesday, July 29th, 2-4pm, Crex Meadows, Grantsburg
 - Aquatic Invasive Species Bridge Snapshot Day
 - Saturday, August 29th, 9am – 1pm, St Croix River Association, St Croix Falls

Old Business

- LovelessLake.org – Jackie Crosby, Chair
 - Ready to upload content
 - Opening screen – LLA purpose
 - Tabs – Lake Quality Issues, LLA Bylaws
 - Toolbox on left – links to resources like DNR, PCCLAR, County, links to information on rain gardens, etc, recreational links
 - History and lake family stories
 - Historical newsletter
 - Loveless Lake Facebook page will be used for current social content. Mike will add a link to FB from the website
 - Send content to jcrosby@usiwireless.
 - Please add your contact information to the Lake Talk list!!
- Picnic – July 18th
 - Jodi Dodge Halliday is chairman of the picnic committee
 - We are looking at having the picnic at Pine Park in Balsam Lake
 - LLA will pay for meat, buns, water, plates, napkins, etc.
 - BYO drinks
 - Lane Burke Memorial Walk will take place that same day at 10:00am. Meet at the landing
 - Susan Barnes will send out postcards to all residents about the picnic and the walk
- Lake Stocking Update
 - Jim will check on where we are and report back at the fall meeting
- LLA mailing list
 - Secretary has the master list. Please send any updates to Susan Barnes – sbarnes141@gmail.com
- Tax Update – Michele Benson
 - Michele has refilled the 990-N that retains our tax exempt status
 - Michele is the current contact person, Karen Peterson is listed as Treasurer
 - Dues are tax deductible
- Welcoming Committee – Michele Benson
 - Talk about at Fall meeting
 - Materials can be found at Polk County
 - Please talk to new neighbors and let them know about the picnic, LLA meetings and our website
- Newsletter Update
 - Debbie Cudd will continue as Publisher of the newsletter
 - Susan Barnes will be Editor
 - We need a name for the newsletter. Send in your ideas!
 - It was also noted that the newsletter could be sent electronically as a PDF but we don't have everyone's email addresses

(Spring Meeting Minutes, continued)New Business

- Motion to create Lake District Committee
 - Purpose – to gather information and report back to LLA
 - This would be part of a long term plan. Steps to implement would include:
 - Draw up district boundaries
 - Vote – 51% of residents within the boundaries need to agree
 - Approval by the county board
 - Could be part of our action plan
 - Jeremy's office has information on district boundaries
 - Wisconsinlakes.org has more information
- Motion to create Water Quality Committee
 - Move discussion to Fall meeting
- Aquatic Invasive Species Committee - do we need to monitor the landing?
 - Discussion and plan to monitor the landing this summer to determine busiest times. Kathy Donnelly agreed to monitor
 - Talking about volunteers at the landing during peak times to educate and send a positive message about preventing the spread of invasive species
 - It is the law now – tickets can be issued for traveling with a trailered boat not properly drained, etc. The fines are big – up to \$400
- Elections
 - Motion to elect Jim Peterson as President. Seconded and unanimously approved
 - Motion to elect Jodi Halliday as Treasurer. Seconded and unanimously approved
 - Motion to elect David Benson as Vice President. Seconded and unanimously approved
 - Congratulations everybody!!
- Motion to send Jeremy Williamson an honorarium of \$35 Visa Gift Card for attending our meeting.
 - Unanimously approved
- Shirley Houston (1621 S Loveless) is celebrating 50 years on the lake this year – Congratulations Shirley!!!
- Snacks for Fall meeting to be handled by Jodi Halliday
- Thank you to Bruce Hanson for donuts and coffee
- Thank you to Paul Furrer for putting out the meeting signs
 - One idea – add our web address in case people don't know where the meetings are held
- Meeting adjourned

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**STAY FOCUSED
 BE "HOO" YOU ARE
 TRUST IN A WISE FRIEND
 LIVE OFF THE LAND
 GLIDE THROUGH THE DARK TIMES
 BE OBSERVANT
 LIFE'S A HOOT!**

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REMINDER!!
LOVELESS LAKE
ASSOCIATION MEETING
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015

9am – 11am

POLK COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER, BALSAM LAKE, WI

COMMUNITY ROOM