

LOA Annual Meeting
Sat. July 7, 2007
Cable Community Centre
9:00 a.m.

Meeting was called to order 9:05 a.m.
65 Attending

President Ron Anderson did the welcome and introduced the board members.

Ron introduced Roger Dreher from the Bayfield County Lakes Forum with his presentation on VHS.

VHS (Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia)

- Travels thru urine and spawning fluids or if one fish eats another.
- Spreads best in water temps 37-54 degrees
- Not harmful to humans or pets
- Not a species specific disease
- DNR rules:
 - 1) No import bait
 - 2) No dead bait
 - 3) Prohibit transportation of live fish and eggs from the Great Lakes or Mississippi
 - 4) Drain water from bilges etc.

Risks to Lake Owen

- 1) Invasive Species:
 - a. VHS (presentation done)
 - b. Eurasian Milfoil: Comes in generally via weeds on boats
- 2) Water Levels: The Drummond Lake is down approximately 4 feet due to siphoning of water from DL to the White River for trout. Trout organizations want to take water for Lake DNR is doing a 2 year study on Drummond Lake. Lake Owen is not part of this study. We will watch closely.

Financial Report

- 1) CD \$9,179.51
- 2) Balance \$3663.96
- 3) Increase dues to \$100 to pay for water quality expenses.
- 4) New Budget of \$21,469

Discussion of dues increase:

- 1) Resolution to delete \$3000 for education and \$6000 testing.
 - a. Called to question. Passed. 5 opposed.
- 2) This brings the budget to \$12, 469.
- 3) DNR matches \$2500/landing. Aug. 1st and Feb. 1st
- 4) Options: Citizen Lake Monitoring Network: Program DNR
 - a. Free thru the DNR
 - b. Test 2-3 places on the lake
 - c. Do once a month starting 3 weeks after ice out
 - d. Take 2-3 hours each time

Social Committee Report

Terry Miller

- 1) Summer Solstice Party review
- 2) Ice Cream Social: ran out of ice cream
- 3) Buffalo Ranch is scheduled for Labor Day Weekend.

Fisheries Report

Gary Nei

- 1) 743 8-9" walleyes versus 20,000 fingerlings 2006
- 2) Gary Nei and Scott McKinney went out in the hoop net.
- 3) DNR are doing a study this year and giving us a recommendation to the stocking of walleyes.

Motion to increase dues to \$50, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.