



OCONTO COUNTY LAKES AND WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION

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**Oconto County Lakes and Waterways Association
Minutes of the OCLAWA General Meeting
April 28, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by acting President Nancy Patrick. Board members present: Nancy Patrick, Kay Rankel, Steve Heimerman, Bill Dutton and Matt Marty. Lake organizations represented were: Anderson, Archibald, Berry, Boot, Boulder, Chute Pond, Inland Lakes P&R District, Lee and Underwood, Munger and Bear, Northern Oconto County Trout Association, Pickerel Chain Lake Association, Ranch, Townsend Flowage, White Potato Lake Advancement Association, and White Potato Lake Sportsman Club.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Nancy Patrick. A change was made for jet ski wake from 200 yards to 200 feet. The minutes were approved by Floyd Schmidt, seconded by Richard Geurts. The treasurer's report was given by Nancy Patrick. The balance on hand was \$2,225.25. The report was approved by Richard Geurts, seconded by David Liss.

The guest speaker was Ken Dolata, County Conservationist for Oconto County. Mr. Dolata discussed the Healthy Waters Cost Share Program. The cost share program was established to assist lake associations with funding to help maintain, enhance, and restore water quality on county lakes. The deadline for applications will be September 15th of each year. Successful applicants would receive 10% of the cost of the project if they have secured other funding or 50% if they do not have other funding.

Mr. Dolata also discussed the lake study program. This program was organized through the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point. Several lakes have already been enrolled and this year Green, Star, Shay, Wescott and O'Neil are being added to the lake study. Contact Ken Dolata or Brenda Nordin to enroll your lake in the program.

This year there are going to be two "Snapshot Days". The first one is Wednesday, June 6th at Townsend Town Hall at 9:30 a.m. Paul Skawinski from UW Stevens Point will be presenting information pertaining to invasive species. There will be a 1.5 to 2 hour lecture then participants will go to Pickerel Lake to sample aquatic plants. The second Snapshot Day will be Saturday, August 18th at Riverview Town Hall at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Skawinski will again discuss aquatic invasive species and participants will go to various lakes to sample aquatic plants and return to town hall to identify what was found.

Lake Association members discussed new and ongoing projects and issues on and around their lakes.

There was a brief discussion regarding the domain fee for the website. The association could use Weebly to make website.

Bill Dutton announced his "retirement" from the Board. Thank you, Bill for your many years of service.

A motion was made by Bill Dutton to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Pete Mueller.

Respectfully submitted:

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