

THE KLINGER LAKE ASSOCIATION



KLA Board Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2014

Attended: Doug Van Meter, Mike Needham, Warren English, Carol Preble, Joyce Sterrett, Don Riach, Susan Puckett and Andy Rieth (via phone)

Absent: Edgar Reihl, Barb Montgomery, Allison Kirsch, Trudy Harnell

Doug Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were no visitors present.

President's Remark's (Doug Van Meter)

- Doug thanked all those involved in the creation of the directory and newsletter.
- Doug thanked Andy for all of his work on the new sign at the public access and for his help installing it. (Doug and Andy installed the sign). The Sturgis Journal will be coming to take a picture of the sign and write an article about the KLA's creation of it.
- Doug thanked Mike N for all that he has done and continues to do regarding water quality and testing.

Treasurer's Report (Don Riach)

Don distributed the treasurer's report for June. As of June 14, there were 326 members. Last year at this time there were 318 members. *Note: It appears there was no motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. This was an oversight and will be addressed at the next meeting.*

Secretary's Report (Suzi Puckett)

Andy moved to approve the May and June 2014 minutes as presented. Mike seconded and the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Database Update

Suzi continues to update the data base when she receives new information and sends updated copies to Doug, Barb, and Don.

Lake Directory

Carol reported that all but one of our social members have paid for their ads. The income from the ads more than covered the cost of the newsletter and directory.

Water Testing / Treatment

Mike reported that DEQ representatives were at Klinger Lake a few weeks ago for an all day project to do extensive testing for invasive species at our lake. A reporter from the public radio station in Kalamazoo was also present to document what was done. Testing involved personnel in a rowboat as well as a woman in a wet suit using a snorkel while testing for invasive weeds and a man in a flotation wet suit checking for invasive animals. Mike showed the board a map indicating 6 areas on the lake that have had patches of Eurasian Milfoil, noting only one area of concern this year. Treatment for this area will be done this week, and a 24 hour swim restriction will be imposed on this area. Residents near the treatment site will be notified of the treatment. Mike also discussed the possibility of KLA sponsoring a boat washing station for the public access. More information with regards to this will be provided later. Mike also said the lake clarity is good for this time of year. Dan Evert had told him he observed Eurasian Milfoil growing in Middle Lake. Mike will investigate this to see if we need to get involved with treatment there.

Marine Patrol / DNR

Andy thanked Doug for his help with the installation of the new KLA sign at the public access. Andy has spoken with Bill Smith about the status of fishing tournaments at our lake. While we cannot restrict anyone's ability to host a tournament, we can be involved with the compliance of the rules regarding them. Andy will reach out to the organizers of these tournaments and offer our assistance in the communication and adherence to the regulations surrounding these tournaments. Currently no permits are needed for fishing tournaments unless there are over 50 boats involved. Andy said that both Bill Smith of the Marine Patrol and Drew Montgomery of the DNR will be attending our annual KLA meeting in August.

Communication / Website

Edgar submitted a report in his absence (emailed to board members). Edgar reported no major issues on the website. He said there were 972 visits last month, 68% being new visits. He will be scanning the directory ads onto the website soon. Edgar has also posted an excellent you-tube video showing how to 'prep your boat properly' on the website.

Dam

Warren said there are no current issues to report concerning the dam other than the continuing problem of debris found there. Jamie Kasey continues to do a good job of monitoring the dam for the KLA.

By-Laws (Amendments)

Don Riach distributed copies of the revised KLA By-Laws to those board members who did not have a current copy.

Old Business

Annual KLA Meeting Preparations:

The meeting will be August 10th at 6 pm at KLCC.

Warren agreed to contact an auditor to review our books and provide a report at the annual meeting.

Carol, Joyce and Suzi will be greeters. Suzi will provide name tags and pens.

Doug will contact KLCC to order refreshments.

Suzi will be in charge of the ballots and door prizes (5 tote bags).

Mike will work on the form for KLA fund requests.

Directories, membership forms, history books and extra newsletters will be brought to the meeting by Suzi and Doug.

Allison will bring copies of real estate summaries, Don will provide copies of the annual treasurer report, Doug will provide copies of the agenda.

Nominating Committee Report

Suzi reported to the board that all 4 board members whose current term is expiring this year would like to be placed on the ballot for another term. The nominating committee now create a slate of officers to present for approval at the first monthly board meeting in August.

Klinger Lake Fireworks

Suzi proposed that KLA take over responsibility of the fireworks next year. After a brief discussion, it was tabled until the August board meeting.

The next KLA Board Meeting is Monday, August 11 at 7:00 p.m. at KLCC.



The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Mike made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Don. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Puckett, Secretary