

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF NEWBOLD LAKES COMMITTEE
FOR THURSDAY, June 21, 2018
Rt. 47 and Apperson Drive, Rhinelander, WI 54501

1. Chairperson, Jim Staskiewicz, called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. In attendance were Connie Muckelburg (Lake Mildred & Clear Lake Property Owners Association), Tom Rudolph (Rhinelander Flowage Association), Jim Staskiewicz (Tom Doyle Lake Association), Bill Jaeger (Two Sisters Lake Association) and Mike Barber (Velvet/Flannery Lake Association).
2. The draft minutes of the May 17, 2018 meeting were approved as presented.
3. **Discussion and action on projects for 2018.** Committee members will continue work to revise the lake contact list.
4. **Discussion and action on updating contact list.** Bill did some updating of the list in September of 2017 and provided copies for attendees. The list still needs some verification of names and contact information. Jim passed around a list of contact information for Newbold Town officers.
5. **Discussion and possible action on challenges any of our associations may be having, and looking for solutions to their issues.** Connie reported the DNR owned boat landing on Lake Mildred currently does not have a boat dock. The DNR may no longer provide a dock and the Lake Association is considering raising money for one.
6. **Lake Association Report.**
 - a. **Mildred Lake**— The Property Owners Association will be stocking walleye in the lake this year. Lake water level is still high and loons have been active. The annual flotilla is scheduled for July 30th.
 - b. **Flannery/Velvet Lake**— The Lake Association contracted for a plant survey in 2017 and no new problem areas were found. Spring season water sampling found no significant changes in water quality. The purple bladderwort that has caused problems in past years seems to be less prominent. The Association has started to research the history of the lake and plans to summarize it in a document.
 - c. **Rhinelander Flowage**— Jim reported that there at least 30 culverts under Highway 47 along the length of the Flowage. All of these drainages flow toward the Flowage and most certainly convey road salt which can be a water quality problem. There is continuing interest about the Expera paper mill and it's management of the Flowage. Expera controls the water level at the dam. Low membership is the ongoing biggest problem for the Association.
 - d. **Tom Doyle Lake**— A dead loon was found on the lake. It did have some injury evident and is thought to have been the male of the resident nesting pair. Another loon moved in to replace the dead one. The high water level of the lake is causing problems for the boat landing. The boat dock is under water. On June 30th the Association will have it's annual picnic and meeting. The water quality monitoring program is working out well although the Association wasn't awarded a monitoring grant this year.
 - e. **Two Sisters Lake**— The boat landing continues to be a problem. It is located in a shallow part of the lake which makes it difficult to launch the larger boats and thick ice driven by strong

winds has bulldozed up a berm that scrapes the bottom of trailers. The Association annual membership meeting and boat parade are scheduled for July 7th and the sailboat race is to be July 1st.

f. **Pickerel Lake**—No one present to report.

7. Administrative matters for review and discussion by the Lakes Committee, including future meeting schedules, agendas, and project updates. Next meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2018. Revising the contact list will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

9. Public comments and communications pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes whereby the Newbold Town Lakes Committee can discuss a matter raised by the public. No one present to comment.

10. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Jaeger

Recording Secretary