

**Boot Lake Association**  
**General Association Membership Meeting**  
**Sunday, August 12, 2007**  
**Home of the Jim and Judy Theisen**

**Current Board of Directors and Officers:**

Fred Luckeroth - Chair

George Thelen - Vice Chair

Pam Harvala - Treasurer

Dan Simms - Secretary

Dave Kloss - Director

Larry Kavolak - Director

**~Minutes~**

**Old Business**

***Treasurer's Report***

Currently \$1070.16 in the bank

Expenditures since last year: \$284.30 - picnic, newsletters, dues for Minnesota Waters

37 paid membership for 2006

18 and climbing for 2007

### ***Loon count***

12 loons

0 loon chicks

Lost one loon nest in front of Luckeroth's

### ***Secchi Information***

5/3 22

6/7 22

7/4 25

8/7 25

### **New Business**

#### ***Election of Officers***

Bylaws have 2 year term with option for 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

Dan Simms(Secretary) and Fred Luckeroth(Chair) will serve 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

George (Vice Chairman) would like to step down. George would like to see young blood step up.

For vice chair:

Ken Shepherd was nominated, 2nded and vote passed unanimously.

For chair person:

Dan Simms nominated Ann Simms, 2nded by Pam Harvala vote passed.

***2008 Association Events:***

Pot Luc Calendar for next year: 6/8/2008

Association meeting 8/10/08

Adopt a road cleanup -

First Saturday of October - 10/6/08 - Pot Luc at Burt and Darleen Swanson's

First Saturday of May 5/3/08 - Pot Luc at Pam Harvala's????

***Hubbard county COLA -***

The Hubbard County COLA (Coalition of Lake Associations) has created a task force to take a action against the spread of aquatic invasive species. Discussion took place on whether Boot Lake assn make a contribution to the COLA?

Shirley Simonson motioned to contribute \$25.00 to the Hubbard county COLA Task force. Money would go to fund efforts to fight aquatic invasive species.

In favor 11

Opposed 11

Motion was defeated due to tie.

***Becker county COLA -***

Should Boot Lake join? The cost would be \$3 per member per year. Some discussion took place about the benefits of joining. Some suggested that a team of people attend the COLA meetings and try to find out what it is about. The team would then report back to the association.

Pam Harvala - Motion to join Becker county COLA

Bill Wallschmidt 2nded -

Barb Stecker mentioned that we have discussed this for a long time. The association never joined.

Motion was defeated.

Roger Stecker motioned to send a individual to check out the Becker county COLA.

Seconded by George Thelen.

Motioned passed.

Roger Stecker, Fred Luckeroth, Pam Harvala will attend the meeting.

***Public Access -***

There was discussion about improving the boat ramp. Not all agreed that improvement was necessary.

***Discussion on function of lake associations:*** by Pam Harvala.

Pam recommended that we continue to improve our lake association and strive to use it as a vehicle for educating the stake holders in order to preserve the lake for generations to come.

***Extension of the Secretary and Chair Person's terms -***

Motion to have Dan Simms and Fred Luckeroth serve another term - by Pam Harvala, Seconded by Richard. The motion passed.

***Boot Lake Citizen Lake Monitoring Program, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency -***

Discussion of Report from MN Pollution Control Agency (May 4, 2007). Boot lake water quality is excellent and every effort should be taken to preserve it. The report is posted on the web site. Members are encouraged to read the report. Here is the link:

<http://www.minnesotawaters.org/templates/groups/3953/files/200703%20MPCA%20Citizen%20Lake-Monitoring%20Program%20-%20Boot%20Lake.pdf>

Minnesota's Citizen Lake-Monitoring Program (CLMP) is the largest and oldest volunteer lake monitoring program in the country. Volunteers in the CLMP currently use a Secchi disk to measure the clarity on hundreds of Minnesota's lakes. The expanded program, including the collection of water chemistry samples for analysis along with Secchi transparency collection, was conducted in Becker, Itasca, and Polk Counties in 2006. In Becker County, Boot Lake was selected for monitoring during the 2006 season. All equipment and analytical costs for the

samples were provided and paid for by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

Thanks to Roger Stecker for volunteering his time to collect samples and work with the MPCA.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Motion passed.

Adjourned at 8/12/2007 1:30:51 PM

*Submitted*

*Dan Simms*

Secretary, Boot Lake Association