

MINONG TOWNSHIP LAKES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE 10/2/2009 MEETING

Present: Russ Robinson, Bob Hendricks, Pete Miller, Kate Zimmerman, Ron Brown, John Ney, Sally Dahlby, Tony Tubbs, Pam Toshner, Laurie Johnson, Sam Lewis

Absent: Jan Pierson, Doug Bush, Don Johnson, Lisa Gabriel, Tim Poucher

The minutes from our September meeting were approved. The \$64 prize is still not claimed as is one fly rod. Russ will place an ad to try to let people know.

John is finalizing the DNR report. It looks like we will be eligible for all \$3,000 per Jane M. at the DNR. We will have about \$3,600 in our account. Tony is working to try to get a line item in the next township budget for the committee. All members are encouraged to attend the 10/12 meeting to lend support to the effort.

Pam notified us that Gilmore and the Nancy/Kimball CBCW programs were funded for next year. Gilmore was funded for a quick response AIS program, and the Minong Flowage was funded for AIS treatment but Nancy was not. Requests were double the funding available. Source waters have been getting 5 extra points under the rating system. Only 1 of 4 ILIDs automated monitoring systems for landings were funded.

We then turned to deciding what to do next year. We were encouraged to keep thinking about doing another lake fair sometime soon since it was so successful. After a brief discussion it was decided to run some pontoon classrooms as an educational project next year. A sub-committee composed of Sally, Pam and Sam will work on this effort. Issues will be liability, advertising, and sign up.

We then discussed what lakes doing with various forms of monitoring or treatment. Ron said that the Flowage has a dissolved oxygen meter which they are willing to loan. Water testing regularly is valuable to create trend data. All felt that the simplest joint project would be a township CBCW program. Pam described some town efforts in Barnes and Cable. They used mostly paid workers and had a program coordinator. Volunteer efforts would cover part of the match as would any town contribution. Towns that have had such programs have found them to be successful. They have reapplied for funding. We will need to find out what the town might be willing to participate with. They have some reluctance to improve boat landings. Russ, Tony and Bob were appointed as a sub-committee to work on what project to tackle.

Sally asked how Bass Lake could get moving. She was encouraged to see if a group of people there wished to get more involved. Several committee members said they would be willing to help if Bass Lake wants to form an association.

There will be no more meetings of the committee until April 2010.