

Black Lake Association

July 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 with 18 members present. The pledge was recited and the Minutes from previous meeting was read and accepted as read with exception of the DNRE will put the walleye in on Wednesday June 15, 2011, not that they had. Treasures report was then read and accepted as read.

Larry Ames was introduced. Larry is with the Sheriff Snowmobile and ORV patrol in Cheboygan, also brought the book on PWC laws. There are Safety schools 2 or 3 times a year put on by the sheriff department for free for the youth and encourages the parents to attend also. ORV grant, funds all the ORV trails and all the law enforcement on the trails is no tax payer dollars what so ever, it is a user-payer system. The \$15 sticker the person puts on the ORV is what funds this. That also goes for the Snowmobile trail except for the grant pays 85% and the department pays for 15% of the budget.

Changes made for the county roads as of October 1 2010, if the county does allow the operation of ORV on the shoulder of the county roads they must concur, Headlight/taillight on at all times and the Maximum speed limit is 25 miles per Hour. After a year the township had say as to if the county roads open or closed to the use of ORV. All township supervisors got together and agreed they want to have all roads open. The county commissioners stated they want all operators when you are on the shoulder of the county you must have a parent or guardian with you. Even 16 and 17 year olds need a safety certificate on county road.

The commissioners got together and produced a map of all the trails and safe connectors. Laws are different in Northern lower than the Upper Peninsula. Lower Peninsula everything is closed unless posted open. There is no speed limit on trails; it is what is reasonable and proper.

You will get a ticket if no sticker, no helmet or on a closed trail or road.

Virgil Smith thanked Larry and gave him a license plate from the Black Lake Association.

Membership Chairperson-still need beach rep for 5mile point.

Nothing from Township Reps

Refreshments- Thank you to Sharon Dulak, Gail Smith and Elda Shull

Old Business

Banquet report- going well, at this time 77 tickets sold.

Raffle Status- going well all tickets are out, will sell nearly all tickets

Fish Committee-a lot of walleye catches going well all over the lake 18' to 20', there will be a planting in the fall by the association hopefully another 10,000.00.

DNR survey will be done for the walleye, DNR will see where we are at, and DNR wants to keep hitting the lake with walleye. So we will see. We will be trying to find some grants or funds to help with this.

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New Business

Elections-Vice President, Treasurer, Trustee

Secretary- Linda Smith was appointed to take over with approval from the membership. Motion by Dick Hopkins second Bette Hopkins

Vice President- Virgil Smith will accept Vice president. Motion by Ron Dulak Second by Cindy Trepanier

Treasure- Cindy Trepanier will accept the position again. Motion by Bette Hopkins Seconded by Sharon Dulak.

Trustee-Erin McLean will also accept the position again. Motion by Ron Dulak Seconded by Dick Hopkins

Sold \$140.00 raffle tickets at the 4th of July parade and 6 License plates.

Regarding High water on lake the dam is wide open and still bringing water down. The Smith Rapids constraints the water from coming out of the lake, 5 days of constant rain all over Michigan, the swamps and everywhere was flooded. The level is going down; we do not want to remove the rapids, which is what would control the lake if the dam ever went down. There are no spillways at Kleber dam, so that is just rumor. It is a matter of Education as to the process how the water flows.

50/50 \$14.00 Larry Ames won \$7.00 and donated it back to the fish fund.

Motion to adjourn by Bette Hopkins Seconded by Sharon Dulak