



BLACK LAKE ASSOCIATION



July 9, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with 21 members present. The pledge was recited and the minutes read and accepted. Treasurer's report was read and accepted as read.

Membership Chairperson – Membership last year was 505. So far this year membership is 352.

BEACH REPS-Reps are still collecting membership dues. We still need 2 more Beach Reps.

Township Reps-Grant Township said we could use the square window fans during our monthly meetings. The room was much more comfortable at the July meeting.

REFRESHMENTS- Thank you Sharon Dulak and Gail Smith for the delicious treats.

OLD BUSINESS

Beach Rep Luncheon- Luncheon was a huge success.

Fish Committee-19 2,000 fish were planted by the DNR. We will not be planting for the next 3 years, however, surveys will be conducted every fall. The belief is enough fish have been planted to start generating new fish on their own. We need to check out the success of this program before we continue. 15 inch walleye are being caught-this is a good sign.

Banquet-Items for door prizes & silent auction have been collected, decorations have been bought. Beach Reps are encouraged to talk to their neighbors & put together baskets for the auction. 58 dinners have been purchased. Membership asked to talk up banquet.

NEW BUSINESS

Long Range Projects- Members of the board met with Jeremy Spell, manager of Onaway & Ahola state Parks to discuss long range plans. Mr. Spell attended tonight's meeting to discuss the burning of the Pavilion and possible projects we could take part in to improve Onaway State Park. No satisfying explanation at the moment to explain the devastation of the fire. Fishing tournament used the Pavilion and due to limited park -staffing it wasn't checked at the end of the evening. No investigation has been completed at this time. Electrical malfunction is a consideration. Jeremy discussed funding of the park.

The Black Lake Association would like to take on a project that would help the park. Possible Short Term Projects:

1. Light at the boat launch
2. Fish Cleaning Station
3. Boat Wash
4. Walleye Spawning Beds
5. Improving Launch Site & Jetty parking
6. Fishing Pier

Tip of the Mitt Lake Association Annual Luncheon-Ron Dulak & Roger Selvig attended the meeting. They found it very informative. Very interesting to hear problems and concerns of our neighbor lakes.

Board Positions-Linda Smith has been re-elected as secretary. Dick Hopkins was re-instated as trustee.

Michigan State- Study being done in the lake. Nets are being placed in 3 different areas for 3 consecutive nights. Orange buoys mark the spots.

50/50- Money was won and donated to the Onaway State Park Fund.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

