

GREEN LAKE AND DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
September 13, 2023

Board Members Present: Emily Anderson, Ken Chamberlain, Roger Edgren, Doug Griese, Sarah Hehir, Paul Johnson, and Claire Stephenson.

Board Members Absent: Ed Dewey, Rich Garvey, Marietta Hamady, Kurt Hubschneider and Brian McAllister.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved.

The board approved the minutes from August 8, 2023.

Treasurer's Report: Emily Anderson reported that Duck Lake's bank balance is \$24,349. Of that, \$7,540.18 is for invasive species. No new monies will go into that fund for Duck Lake. Green Lake's bank balance is \$53,207.75. Of that, \$35,225.48 is for invasive species. Green Lake has an additional \$52,374.10 in a CD. Members: Duck Lake has 121 and Green Lake has 114.

Report Outs:

- ◆ Lake Level Monitoring Equipment: Paul Johnson reported that the lake-level monitoring equipment on Green and Duck Lakes is in good working order. Cal from Lakeman did provide a software update of the lake-level monitoring system. Additionally, Paul reported that he has asked Andy, the Drain Commissioner, to let him know when he is taking out or putting in boards. So far the Drain Commissioner has not been good about communicating this information.
- ◆ Website Review: Ed Dewey was not at this meeting to report. The Board did briefly discuss Ed's desire to pass on the responsibility of Web-master and it was discussed that a succession planning committee could be formed to include Ed, Ken and Bill Collin.
- ◆ Secchi/Ecoli – Green and Duck Lake: Paul Johnson reported for Green Lake Ecoli readings were taken on August 25 by Rich Garvey. 13 sites were sampled and all sites were well within acceptable limits. The Secchi disk reading was at 14 feet. The Duck lake samples were taken on August 23 by Paul Johnson 14 sites were sampled, all but 2 samples were within acceptable limits. Mason Creek and the site by Brookside Resort were high. Paul will re-sample those two sites and report back. The Secchi disk reading for Duck Lake was 14 feet.
- ◆ Membership/Nominations Committee: **Membership-** Sarah Hehir showed the Board the Associate Members page on the web-site and also noted that Ed created a shadow box that pops up when the web-site opens that highlights our Associate members. She is actively talking with Thompson Pharmacy, The Haufbrau and the Bouwman Realty Group. Please let Sarah know if you have suggestions for additional Associate Members. **Nominations** – there was no report.

Old Business:

- ◆ Website Succession: - This was discussed in Website review above.

New Business:

- ◆ Annual meeting review: Board members present all felt the meeting went very well. Lots of positive comments about the speakers by the board as well as feedback from members. Everyone agreed that there was redundancy talking about the boat washes, and the farmers market booths, but overall very positive about the flow of the meeting. There was discussion about additional “advertising” of the meeting. A large road side sign at the library like we had 2 years ago, and possibly adding some yard signs for distribution around the lakes as well. Emily agreed to check with Signplicity for cost of yard signs. It was noted that all the coffee was consumed and suggested that we should have water available in the future. Paul reported that he called and thanked the speaker. The speaker provided the following feedback to Paul about our group. He said it was the oldest group he has presented to, but also the most engaged group he has presented to.
- ◆ Farmer’s Market: Emily reported that this activity is complete for 2023. There was some discussion about having the Lake Association at the Market one time in the summer of 2024.
- ◆ Suggestions for 50th and Annual meeting 2023: Emily read the note from Marietta regarding her suggestions. This stimulated conversation about a speaker at the meeting. Many of the Board members present felt it is important to have a speaker. We could accomplish this by condensing the business meeting portion to 30 minutes and have a guest speaker for 30-45 minutes. This would still allow plenty of time for celebration. It was suggested that we invite the Green Lake Township Supervisor, Marv Radke, as our guest speaker in 2024. Emily read Marietta’s information about Moomer’s catering the 50th event. Sarah reminded the group that she and Kurt had a contact at Milk and Honey Cafe and Ice Creamery. They reached out to them last year about the event and said they would be very interested in providing for our meeting. No decisions were made, other than everyone likes the idea of an Ice Cream social.

Open Board Discussion:

- ◆ Sarah updated the board about a GLADLA logoed merchandise store. She reached out to Lake Leelanau Association to get information about their store. They use a vendor in McBain, Michigan for their merchandise. Sarah is working to get a meeting with that vendor to get information about getting a similar site set-up for GLADLA. This type of store does not require the association to purchase any merchandise up front.
- ◆ The board discussed if we should participate in the Chamber, Light Up Interlochen event this year. It was agreed that we should.
- ◆ The board discussed having our own December meet and greet event similar to what we did last year.
- ◆ Paul raised the issue about our recent bylaws update. It was decided that we would not print any new copies of our bylaws. Paul will look into getting stickers printed that we can put in our own personal copies and we will have Ed update the version that is currently on our web-site.

Adjournment:

- ◆ A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Minutes Submitted by Emily Anderson

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 11, 2023