

Sawyer County Lakes Forum
Spring Board Meeting
April 24, 2014 10 A. M. Bass Lake Town Hall

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Mary Ann Churchill at 10:05. Others present were Treasurer, Paul Schwister, Bill Czeskleba, Kevin Horroks, Phil Nies, and Guest Marv Ramsey

Secretary Report – The minutes from the February 6, 2014 meeting were accepted as emailed.

The Communication List - we still need a representative from Round Lake, Hayward and the Winter Lakes area. Phil will contact someone from Hayward and the Winter Lakes area. Marv agreed to be the representative from Spider Lake

Treasurer Report - Paul Schwister The report of a balance on hand of \$466.39 was accepted. There were still details about the refund from the printing of the Lake Life Booklets that need to be worked out.

Vice President Report – Mary Ann Churchill We need a total number of the Lake Life booklets still available for distribution this summer.

Board Action Taken Since the Last Meeting. On February 6th Mary Ann made a motion by email to the board members to purchase an ad in the Winter Gazette and the Sawyer County Record in support of 8 candidates running for the County Board. Second by Bill Czeskleba. The motion passed. The ad for 8 County Board candidates came in under budget. Phil had filed a campaign expense form for the ad, Form GAB-1

Name Change of the SCLF. A motion was made to keep the name of Sawyer County Lakes Forum and make no changes. Passed.

President's Report-

Election of Board Members at the Annual Meeting

Those nominated to serve a two-year term from 2013 to 2015 were:

Martin Hanson (Round)

Bill Czeskleba (Moose)

Dan Tyrolt (LCO Conservation)

Those elected last year for a two-year term from 2012 to 2014 were:

Mary Ann Churchill (Moose)

Phil Nies (COLA)
Paul Schwister (Clear)
Jim Genrich (Winter Lakes)
Waldo Asp (County Line)
Mike Murry (Nelson)

With the death of Jim Genrich there is now another vacancy to be filled.

Project of the Year It was decided not to take on a new project for this year.

There is a possibility that Kristi Maki's position will not be funded for next year. She is the AIS Coordinator for Sawyer County. Phil said that he will stay up to date on that situation and advise the SCLF if any fundraising is necessary. Marv added that only two DNR grants had been awarded in Sawyer County this year and that DNR, State and Federal money available for grants has not grown and there is more competition this year for grant money.

Extra Board Meeting for Planning the Annual Meeting No extra meeting was scheduled.

Northwest Wisconsin Lakes Conference, Friday, June 20th at Drummond, WI Flyers will be emailed to all board members and to the Communication List

North American Loon Symposium, October 25-26 at Northland College Flyers will be emailed to the board and the Communication List

County Issues Phil Nies He reported that the state has not passed the new shoreland regulations bill NR 115 so the work of the previous years is on hold.

SCLF Website - Martin Hanson The website up to date. All of the minutes and agendas that have been sent out have been posted to the website. (Also, the flyers for the Northwest Wisconsin Lakes Conference and the National Loon Symposium)

Agenda for the 2014 Annual Meeting

The date of June 14 was chosen and the main topic will be an update on invasive species since that is a subject that is important to most lake associations.

Alex Smith, DNR Lake Biologist, Bureau of Water Quality for Sawyer, Barron, Rusk, and Polk counties accepted the invitation to come. He will speak about the management of invasive species. (No suitable meeting place could be found for that date so the new date is 9 A.M., June 28, at Comfort Suites on highway "B" with Alex Smith as the guest speaker.)

The Summer SCLF Board Meeting will be on Friday, July 25, 2014 at the Spider Lake Town Hall

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 with a motion by Phil and a second by Paul. Passed

Mary Ann Churchill