

Eight Point Lake Property Owners' Corporation
Executive Committee: Ralph Stewart, Chair • Sandi Jeffery, Vice Chair
Jeanie Stewart, Secretary • John Leonard, Treasurer • Dick Larsen, Assistant Treasurer

September 5, 2009
Annual Membership Meeting Minutes
Clubhouse – 11020 Rock Rd at Garfield Ave

- Meeting was called to order at 9:00am by Chairperson Ralph Stewart, followed by Pledge of Allegiance and introductions by everyone present.
- Minutes of May 23, 2009 Spring Membership Meeting approved.
- Treasurer's Report approved.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to outgoing Shore Reps Jim Carrigan, and Jim Tessmer. The 2nd recipient of the Star Award was presented by Terry Tisdale to a very surprised Ralph Stewart for his continuous service to the Association over the last 10 years in many capacities as a Shore Rep, Clubhouse Chair, Historical Chair, numerous committees. Ralph is currently serving as Association Chair.

Membership Report: as of this date we have 327 members, which represents 70% of property owners.

The **website** was officially launched September 1, 2009 – www.8pointlake.org -- postcards announcing it were sent to the 468 addresses on our mailing list.

Results of the **voting on the proposed bylaws:** 107 Yes votes, 3 No votes, and 1 invalid vote. This includes the hand vote and the proxy votes received by mail. The new bylaws are in effect as of this date, which adds an Assistant Treasurer position to the Board. There were suggestions for the next revision of the Bylaws: 1) in Article I the Association address should be included; 2) in Article III, Section II, the number of voting board members should be an odd number to prevent a tie on any given issue; and 3) that Article IX should specify what expenses are reimbursed to the Lake Directory Coordinator. There followed some discussion that this third suggestion is really a policy issue to be articulated in a policy manual.

Results of the **ballot for Shore Reps:** two new nominees were approved – Marion Taylor (North Shore), and Mike Geary (South Shore). Voted in for another two-year term included: Mike Totte (East Shore), Ralph Stewart (Raevna Shores), Dick Pennoni (South Shore), Len Pilz (West Beach), and John Whalen (Cook's Landing).

Lake Treatment & Water Quality. Mark Walter reported that 31 lake acres were treated for Eurasian Watermilfoil, and a secondary treatment was not needed. The water quality of the lake is still very good, potable, but there is growing concern over an increase in the level of phosphorous and nitrates which is generally caused by lawn fertilizer seeping into the water, as well as leaves being raked into the lake. The Lake Improvement Board must be renewed every five years, and a mailing will go out in the spring about a public hearing to extend the Lake Improvement Board for another 5 years. The tax assessment for properties having lake access (for weed control) has been temporarily reduced to \$20 per 75 feet for lake properties and to \$2 for back lots.

Fireworks: everything is ready for tonight. A new Fireworks Chair is needed to replace retiring Clarence Radewahn. Clarence asked for suggestions on places to load the fireworks barges other than in front of his cottage. Suggestions included the sand bar, the island on west end of lake, and DNR public access site. The sand bar is county-owned property, the island is private property, and lots of paperwork and special permits would be involved to utilize the DNR boat access site. Other options need to be explored.

Lake Cleanup Day went well and everyone is doing a great job keeping the lake and surrounds free of litter. Many thanks to all who participated.

Boater Safety Training had 27 participants, and all received their certificate. 25 were ages 10-16, and 2 dads also took the class. New flags were ordered for the Marine Safety Patrol Watch. Not everyone on the Watch is displaying the flag on their dock. Sgt. Bill Larson from the Clare Co Sheriff Dept. conducted the class.

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The **Lake Directory** is being distributed to members in good standing. Please patronize the businesses in the directory, mention you saw their ad in our directory, and suggest other contacts to Jane Seibt, Ad Coordinator for the Eight Point Lake Directory..

Winners of the July 4th events are posted on the new website. There were a record 160 entries in the 5K and Kids Fun Run. The Road Parade had over 53 entries, and the 1st Essay Contest had 7 entries. Next year an Adult category will be added. Musicians are being sought to help with the Flag Raising Ceremony – please contact Micki Denoyer if you play (or used to play) an instrument of any kind.

The annual **Garage Sale** had a record number of volunteers (12) helping all week with setup and on sale days. The sale netted \$637.33. Thank you to all the volunteers for your hard work.

Winners of the **Fish Contest** are posted on the website. Worth noting – a 7# 9oz Northern Pike, and a 7# Dogfish caught in our lake this year. The DNRE will do a “lake sampling” to assess the suitability for the Walleye Fish Stocking Program. Len Strait is stepping down, and a new Chair of the Lake Fisheries Committee is needed.

Neighborhood Watch Committee at Crooked Lake has included Mystic Lake, Perch Lake, Gray Lake, and Eight Point Lake. Static cling member decals will be sent to everyone to display on their door or window. Crooked Lake has a parolee house on Holly Street for 4-6 males, who may live there on a subsidized basis for up to 120 days while they find employment and re-enter society. Phil Ruckle is stepping down as NW Chair, so a new Chairperson is needed for this committee.

Clubhouse Report. Many thanks to Bob and Ruth Porritt for cleaning the Clubhouse, and to those who mowed all season – Tom Kedrowski, Ron Galesk, Jim Carrigan, and Ralph Stewart.

New business: Joe and Lesa Bentley bought the summer park surrounding Bev's Store. They plan to convert it into an RV park.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanie Stewart, Secretary
September 12, 2009