

PENTWATER LAKE ASSOCIATION

25th *Annual Meeting

(*Missed 2020 Annual Meeting due to Covid)

Park Place – 310 N. Rush St, Pentwater

June 25, 2021

6:00-7:00 PM Social Hour and Dinner – box dinners/desserts

MINUTES

7:00 PM Welcome:

Board President Lynne Cavazos welcomed everyone, there were 55 in-person PLA members and 5 virtual attendees via Zoom. We were generously assisted by Claudia Ressel-Hodan for all technological needs including Zoom and Emily Newman's Presentation later in the evening. Lynne gave special thanks to Jill Palmer from Antler Bar for dinners and Brian Prescott from Green Isaacs for desserts, Caroline Denlar for her assistance with name tags, lists of attendees and door prizes and Sarah Kraner, Manager of Park Place for her assistance.

Lynne introduced the current Board of Directors, and acknowledged past Presidents from 1995 to 2021. Also acknowledged AnnaMae Bush for her quality editing of the PLA Newsletter.

Approval of Minutes from June 21, 2019 (supplied in member packets at each place setting). Caroline Denlar made a motion to approve, Pat Hooyman seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report presented by Lynne with assistance by George (virtually). Written report May 2020- May 2021 in packet. Cash balance is \$16,818 and \$2375 balance in Weed Harvesting account. Buz Graettinger made a motion to approve, seconded by James Schramm, all approved. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: brief summaries

- a) Newsletter – next one will be out in August
- b) Publicity/Facebook – continue to put announcement of meetings in Oceana Herald, and on PLA Facebook site
- c) Membership - currently 232
- d) Water Quality – will be included in State of the Lake Report later
- e) Natural Resources – there is a 10-foot-wide eagle nest in the south branch of the Pentwater River. Largest one seen in many years!
- f) Social – Think the Strawberry Social is ON this year! Waiting for final word. Date is AUGUST 12, 2021. We are also waiting for confirmation from Scottville Clown Band and

Village Band. We anticipate enough for 500 servings. So far 25 people have volunteered to help. Caroline Denlar will be getting back to the volunteers when more is known.

- g) Website – transition from George Richey to Beth Provencal and Patrick Hooyman completed June 9th. Claudia assisted with training. Beth will be posting Minutes, Youth Fishing Tournament pictures, etc.
- h) Education – Betty Pleva was absent but sent report to Lynne that the Water Safety posters made by the 3-4-5th graders are up around town and encouraged all to look for them.

Election of new Board Members for 2021-2024 term:

- 1) Dr. Ross Feltes
- 2) Joan Menke-Schaenzer

Julie Nelson made a motion to approve, Caroline Denlar seconded the motion, all approved. Motion carried and new members welcomed.

It was noted that Lynne, George and Betty are all leaving. Many thanks for their service. Returning Board members include: Mike Peters, Dan Selahowski, Janet Strahan, and Joe Primozich.

Committee Chairs are not fully filled yet. Lynne will continue to help with Social Committee for now. We will need several Social Committee members to assist. Encouragement given to audience to consider participating.

NEW PLA BOARD MEMBERS 2021-2022 introduced (previously elected May meeting)

President: Patrick Hooyman
Vice President: Tom Walter
Treasurer: Rich Pugsley
Secretary: Beth Provencal

Special Program Reports: some of what PLA is doing for you!

- Sea Tow Program – there are 3 locations with information kiosks, fish line recycling bins
- Life Jacket station on Monroe Launch
- Weed Harvesting
- Clean/Drain/Dry Posters
- Launch Blitz (JULY 17, 2021 from 9am-4pm) / with power-washing station
- Low Wake Banners
- 4th Annual Youth Fishing Tournament
- Paddle Stewards – online training, encouraged
- Student Safety Poster Project

Presentation: Joe Primozich introduced Emily Newman, a master's graduate student at GVSU who presented "Growth of Starry Stonewort in two Michigan Lakes" (Pentwater Lake /

Muskegon Lake) to all attendees. She had a power point presentation with many underwater pictures of invasive species in Pentwater Lake with the damage done to aquatic life and natural vegetation/native species crowded out. Post presentation was a Q&A session. She thanked the Pentwater Lake Association for a great experience and complimented us on our hard work.

FIRST Annual State of the Lake Report: by Joe Primozich

Handouts were included in the packets. This will be a separate written report, some of which included water quality information, boom issues, limited herbicide use, water testing, surveys, Frogbit lift team, harvesting limitation to 50% of shoreline, working with students and the PLIB. It was very thorough and interesting. Pentwater Lake is between healthy and at risk in the main categories that are monitored. His presentation was also followed by Q&A session. It is highly encouraged if any residents see questionable plant vegetation growth and have concern if it is an invasive or native growth to please call Dan Selahowski, Rich Pugsley, Tom Walter or Joe Primozich.

Raffle of Door Prizes – several local businesses contributed! Many winners and a big thank you to Caroline Denlar for her work on obtaining these.

There was a special mention and thank you to Rich Pugsley and Dean Gustafson who revised the PLA Mission Statement and Vision to make it the clear, concise statements that are found on the PLA Website today.

Adjourned at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Provencal