Horsehead Lake Association Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

November 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am by President Gary Swier.

Roll call was taken. Directors present were: Jim Osbourn, Jerry Devenbaugh, Mike Vagnetti, Paul Smith, Dom Theodore, Fred Kuebler, Dick Tice, and Gary Swier.

Absent and excused were: Bob Forche, Bob McCauley, Barb Yount, Tony Fleszar, Bud Uschuk, Gary Lough, and Dean Cullimore.

Guests present were Sandy Tice and Don Rothenberger.

The minutes from the October meeting were read. Correction to last paragraph suggested by Jim Osbourn to change "Dean Cullimore" to "Bob Forche". Motion to approve as amended by Mike Vagnetti, Seconded by Jim Osbourn. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was read, motion to approve by Dom Theodore, seconded by Fred Kuebler, motion carried.

Gary Swier shared the membership report indicating that there were currently 279 members, which is an all-time high.

Fred Kuebler read the fish team report. On November 1, approximately 2000 walleye were successfully planted, with an average size of 4" to 6". To date, the fish planting program has been responsible for planting approximately 15,000 fish into our lake.

Gary Swier noted that Norm Zion from Aquatic Nuisance Control passed away since our last meeting. He has been informed by Norm's family that they will continue the business and honor the contract to continue treating our lake. Gary also noted that it will soon be time to renew our special assessment district for invasive weed control. It may be a simple matter of a county commission vote as has recently been the case with Chippewa Lake. This will be the subject of further investigation.

The board discussed the possibility of amending the by-laws with regard to the election of the board of directors. Language will be drafted by Dom Theodore and Mike Vagnetti for consideration by the board at a future meeting. The amendment would allow for the board of director's election to take place solely at the annual meeting without the expense of mailing ballots given that there was such low participation in the mail ballot election this year.

Gary Swier suggested that all required notifications to the membership take place in the newsletter rather than special mailings. This should save on mail expense. An "input needed by" calendar could be created by Kathy Battle to establish deadlines for this purpose. Such notices could also include: water treatment, Annual Meeting info, nominated directors, voting process, HLA purpose, and information on where members should take complaints that are outside of the scope of our organization.

Motion to adjourn at 10:50am, until the March 2014 meeting, made by Paul Smith, seconded by Fred Kuebler. Motion carried.

Gary Swier, President.

-Submitted by Dom Theodore for Barb Yount.