

**CRESCENT LAKE ASSOCIATION
MEMBER MEETING
09/18/2021 4:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: President Donna Stone. This meeting was originally to be held at the Crescent Town Hall at 5:00PM but due to the recent information provided by Oneida County, the meeting is now being held via a virtual format using Zoom. There were a maximum of 25 individuals in attendance.

THANK YOU! President Stone took this time to formally thank the 48+ volunteers who gave of their time and talents this year in service to Crescent Lake. In lieu of the traditional annual volunteer recognition dinner, volunteers will receive gift certificates from the local Chamber of Commerce.

MINUTES: Minutes of the CLA Annual Meeting dated July 17, 2021 were emailed to all CLA members prior to today's meeting. President Stone asked if there were any corrections to those minutes. Since there were none, she asked for a vote of approval for those minutes as they are written. **APPROVED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A recent copy of the Treasurer's Report was emailed to CLA members prior to today's meeting. Sandy McKittrick gave a verbal summary of the association's current financial status including our current grants. There have been some minor changes in our checking balance since the report was sent out due to the payment of some outstanding bills.

CLEAN BOATS/CLEAN WATERS:

Cindy Hermel updated the membership on the up-coming musky tournament. Last year, there were a number of comments made by lake residents with regard to tournament participants traveling through areas of high EWM concentrations at high speeds. As a result of those comments and complaints, a letter was sent to the chairperson of the tournament outlining our concerns. We received a very positive response from them. A laminated map showing Crescent Lake's identified EWM populations will be distributed to tournament participants at the Friday mandatory check-in. Participants will be asked to show the map during the live well check at the landing. Also, there will be a maximum of 15 boats allowed on the lake this year and they will be required to fish on the same lake for both days of the tournament. This will hopefully decrease to risk of possible contamination between lakes.

Cindy also took this time to thank all of those individuals who volunteered this past year. She thanked Darrel Mack who coordinated the DASH boat efforts the past summer. Also, Terry Goldbach and the Response Team for their efforts in

the overall management of the lake's EWM concerns. She also thanked Roger Shandley for managing the shore monitors and their efforts. The CB/CW boat inspectors were thanked for their efforts in monitoring the boat landing over these past four months. We also can't forget those individuals who were involved with the fireworks display – Larry McKittrick and his crew – and Donna Stone for her guidance with the July 4th boat parade.

CB/CW did meet the minimum 200 volunteer hours required by our CB/CW grant for this calendar year. This year's data will be posted on the association's website once all the figures have been compiled.

The shore monitors again did a wonderful job as always. They are Crescent Lake's "first line of defense" in terms of identifying new and/or recurring EMW population. Information is still coming in with regard to their total hours of commitment for 2021.

DASH BOAT REPORT/RESPONSE TEAM:

Terry Goldbach reports that DASH boat volunteers put in 423 hours of service past year. This includes 407.5 hours of EWM harvesting and 15.5 hours maintenance. **This season, the DASH boat harvested 27,880 pounds (13.94 tons) of Eurasian water milfoil!** This is some 20,000 pounds over last year's harvest.

On June 15th we treated 21 acres on the south shore of the north end of the lake. We are currently waiting for the 2021 survey map that will help us in determining our area(s) of treatment should we decide to pursue that next year.

Terry stated that next week we will be taking five sediment samples from different areas of the lake as well as one water sample. The sediment samples will be coming from the north end of the lake near Hwy 8, one from Wausau Bay, one from Tony's Bay, another from Radke Bay and the last from the 2020 treatment area. The water sample will be collected from the middle of the south end of the lake. Hopefully these samples will provide us with information that will be helpful in our treatment plans going forward.

With regard to future plans, we will be meeting with the DNR over the coming months to discuss our potential EWM treatment options for next year and for years to come.

NEW BUSINESS/CONCERNS:

Jim Gehrke announced that at the next Crescent Lake District meeting, there are plans to formally thank Ryan Peterson for his past efforts in the establishment of the lake district. Ryan took on the task of pulling together all of the needed information and volunteers to make the lake district a reality. Also, Dan Butkus

has provided a wealth of information, guidance, and support in both the planning and development of the Crescent Lake District. Lastly, we can not forget Connie Anderson for the work that she did leading us through the petition process as well as the filing process with all of the departments within Oneida County, the IRS, and the State of Wisconsin. These individuals were instrumental in the establishment of the district and their efforts need to be formally recognized. We owe them all our gratitude for their commitment to this process.

Sandy McKittrick asks that the association members might think about what future plans/projects that the association might want to work on now that the lake district will be taking over EWM expenses. Also, the association has money that it may wish to transfer to the lake district to help in its efforts to manage invasive species. Sandy suggests that possibly at the next CLA Annual Meeting in July 2022, the membership may want to decide if they would like to make a gift to the district and if so, how much to transfer.

Donna Stone would also like to hear from the membership with regard to what types of educational topics they would like hear more about or projects they would like to look into in the future.

ADJOURNMENT: Marie Rudesill made a motion to adjourn and this was seconded by Wendy Goldbach. **PASSED.** Adjourned at 4:32. PM.

JOHN DUSENBERRY
Secretary