

BIG WOOD LAKE ASSOCIATION
FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
LUTHER POINT BIBLE CAMP
AUGUST 25, 2012
9:00 AM

1. Pledge of Allegiance

President Champlin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Welcome & Introductions

President Champlin welcomed all, & everyone in attendance introduced themselves and their location on Big Wood Lake.

3. Secretary Report

Secretary Church read the minutes of the BWLA 5/19/12 Spring Members meeting. No objections or additions, and minutes accepted as read.

4. Treasurer Report

Treasurer Peer reviewed 2012 YTD financial information. No objections or additions and report accepted as read.

5. Water Clarity

Gene Soderbeck reviewed water clarity data in Big Wood Lake compared to other area lakes. He and wife Joan have been involved with water quality monitoring for many years. Gene noted that Big Wood Lake water is more clear this year. Gene confirmed the clarity as measured by the standard Secchi disc has shown water clarity in June and July of 6-7 1/2 feet. This is higher than the normal of 5 feet that has been consistent for many years. Gene noted that water clarity of other surrounding lakes is less than has been normal for them. No one seems to know why Big Wood Lake is better this year. Gene thinks it may be because more large carp are being taken from the lake by fisherman, and will be checking further.

6. Special Recognition

President Champlin recognized Louis Hjort for 21 years of service to the BWLA as newsletter editor and website manager.

7. BWLA Communications

Nikki Peterson from Crosstown Creative Solutions presented ideas for increasing communication to members. These included Welcoming information for new residents/members, Brochures describing the BWLA, Newsletters on a periodic basis with updates of timely info, Postcard reminders of upcoming events, and making increased use of the website and other electronic tools for communicating.

8. Winners

Lake Scenes photo contest – Susan Anderson

Life at the Lake photo contest – Susan Anderson

9. Election

President Champlin presented officers & directors to serve in 2013. With no objections or nominations from the floor, the following were elected unanimously:

President – Gene Soderbeck

Vice President – Chris Witzany

Secretary – Jack Church

Treasurer – Stan Peer

Director-at-large – Dave Strub (term expires 2015)

Director-at-large – Susan Pawluk (term expires 2014)

Director-at-large – Lisa Carver (term expires 2013)

Cris Peterson welcomed as newsletter editor.

John Hill thanked for service as director.

10. Other

Concerns about geese population creating a nuisance in the lake and on lakeshore, and question – Can anything be done about it?

Craig Corbin reported finding a picnic table from Thoreson Park floating in the bay near Luther Point Bible Camp. Staff pulled it from the lake and will take it back to the park.

11. Adjournment

President Soderbeck adjourned the meeting at 10:00 AM

Respectfully Submitted by Jack Church, Secretary