

Van Vliet Lake Association Annual Meeting  
June 22, 2019

The meeting was called to order by president Ronie Jacobsen at 10:05 a.m. Those in attendance were Richard Bernard, Ed Brodsky, La Vergne Brodsky, Susie Cerny, Mike Czarny, Ronie Jacobsen, Tom Olson, Patrick Roche, Ted Rulseh, Bill Schroeder, Diane Schroeder, Andy Sisler, Bobbe Sisler, Paul Specht, Jim Sprester and Kathy Sprester.

Diane Schroeder gave a synopsis of last year's minutes, Tom Olson made a motion to accept the minutes and Kathy Sprester seconded, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Ronie Jacobsen gave the treasurers report for the absent Jeff Burke,

Beginning balance as of 06-16-18	\$6,084.72
Income	
Membership dues/contributions as of 06-22-19	1,620.00
CBCW grant reimbursement	566.25
Total 2018/2019 income to date	\$2,186.25

Disbursements

Discovery Center CBCW cost share 2019	777.67
DNR Harvesting permit fee 2019	210.00
WAL Annual membership	137.50
Mailings	33.00
Carlin Lake Association	250.00
New website fees	500.00
Total 2018/2019 disbursements to date	\$1,908.17

VVLA checking account to date \$6362.80

Separate savings account-property owners contributions to aquatic harvesting fund plus interest \$6,572.26

Diane Schroeder made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Ed Brodsky seconded, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Election of officers was announced by Ronie Jacobsen.

Vice President – Ed Brodsky

Treasurer – Jeff Burke

At large one year – Richard Bernard

At large two year term – Tom Olson, Mark Osberg

No other nominations were received for board positions. Jim Sprester made a motion to accept the slate and Mike Czarny seconded, the motion was approved unanimously.

Ronie reported our website update created a professional looking new website for \$100 less than budgeted. Scott Bertz of Web Work Life performed the upgrade and is available as a resource if needed. Ronie also reported we were granted a tentative permit for cutting aquatic plants by the WDNR with a inspection required prior to final approval. At this time the need for cutting seems unlikely. Ronie mentioned the WI Court of Appeals upheld the ruling that taking water from Carlin Lake for commercial bottling would be a zoning violation. Another public hearing will be held on August 16<sup>th</sup> in Eagle River to review the ordinance denying a zoning variance. Paul Specht said the Presque Isle Zoning board would also have to approve a variance even if the county were to approve one.

Interns: For the seventh year we have joined Big Lake and Presque Isle Lake to sponsor interns from the Discovery Center at our landings. Big Lake writes the grant and has 200 hours, Presque Isle Lake and Van Vliet Lake share the remaining 100 hours @ 50 hours each. This year our interns are Jarod Scheff from Slinger, WI, Eric Curtis from Pekin, IL and Nicole Spears from Green Bay, WI. Our total expense for this is approximately \$200.00.

Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee has received several grants to resurvey aquatic plants in township lakes including Van Vliet. Whitewaters Associates will be doing the plant sampling. It is advised this be done every five years and the last time it was done was 2013. Our cost will be approximately \$200.00.

Dane Whittaker, a grad student from Arizona State University, visited five board members June 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss lake associations and how they best function. He brought two undergraduate students who are assisting him on this project. A lively conversation ensued followed by a pontoon ride around Van Vliet Lake given by Ed Brodsky. We will receive a copy of his report next summer.

Tom Olson gave a brief report on the Van Vliet Hemlocks, explaining one trail will remain closed in an attempt to prevent further spread of Hemp Nettle. The Friends of the Van Vliet Hemlocks annual meeting will be held on Sunday, Aug 18 on Olson Point.

Ed Brodsky introduced our guest speaker Ted J. Rulseh author of "A Lakeside Companion". He gave a very interesting description of the different types of lakes and seasonal changes that occur, the many different types of aquatic plant and their position. His position on lake associations is very positive.

One of our interns Eric Curtis joined us for lunch and the meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Schroeder