

LOON LAKE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 15, 2015
Antioch Township Hall
1625 Deep Lake Road

1. Call to Order

Tom Keefe

The October 15, 2015 meeting of the Loon Lake Management Association was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Karen Tatak

The following board members were present: Tom Keefe, Karen Tatak, Joan Lahey, Jim Hammerland, Dave Tatak of Del Monte Gardens, Jim Bowen of Villa Rica, Gail Keefe of South Shore, Maureen Lahey of North Shore, and Virginia Wilson of Struever's Acres.

4. Minutes

4.1 September 2015

A motion to approve the September 2015 meeting minutes was made by Jim Bowen and seconded by Dave Tatak. All were in favor; motion carried.

5. Treasurer's Reports

Jim Hammerland

5.1 September 2015

The Treasurer's Reports were reviewed and a motion to approve the September 2015 Treasurer's Reports was made by Maureen Lahey and seconded by Jim Bowen.

A roll call vote was taken:

Dave Tatak	yes
Gail Keefe	yes
Jim Bowen	yes
Maureen Lahey	yes
Virginia Wilson	yes

6. Correspondence

Tom Keefe

7. Reports

7.1 President's Report - No Report.

7.2 Health Dept. - Tom met with Health Dept. today. Health Dept. did an unofficial spot study of the plant density on East Loon Lake. They want to reexamine in the spring.

7.3 Plant and Algae Control

7.3.1 Harvesting

Down for the season and everything stored.

Jim Dvorak

7.3.2 Herbicide Treatment

No Report.

7.4 Finance - No Report.

Chuck Simpson

7.5 Education/Website - Both Website and Facebook are updated as needed. When we are approved for our tax free status, Karen will update the website to take donations.

Karen Tatak

7.6 Fishery Management Committee

Ordered 1600 walleye for both lakes for \$2,500 + delivery and tax from Keystone Fisheries. Jim Bowen suggested purchasing red ear sunfish next year.

Dave Tatak

7.7 Annual Picnic/Meeting Committee

Betty Kay Swanson was not in attendance. Report to be given at next meeting.

Betty Kay Swanson

8. Old Business

8.1 Channel Dredging - Tom is continuing to meet with the county to get the RFP for the dredging. He discussed the project with Gerry Urbanazo and Mike Adam. Hoping to get a rough draft in a few weeks.

Tom Keefe

Tom suggested possibly splitting expense between 2016 and 2017. Tom also needs to get an RFP from trucks to haul away waste. (Possibly 1130 cubic yards of waste).

8.2 Fundraising Follow-up

Theresa Keeley was not at the meeting. She will report on the final monies at the next meeting.

Joan Lahey asked if we should put the Loon Lake glasses on the website to see if people are interested because they were not big sellers at the picnic. She will bring glasses to next meeting. She wants to clearance the shirts and hats. She will bring these to the next meeting also. Whatever doesn't sell, we will put them towards the raffle next year. Jim Hammerlund suggested a "thank you to donors" poster for next year.

8.3 501(c)(3) Follow-up

Karen Tatak

9/16 Received a letter from both the Attorney General and the IRS asking for additional information.

9/25 I called the IRS and Attorney General to confirm information needed to complete the process of our tax exempt status (IRS) and registration for charitable organization (Atty. General).

9/29 Faxed additional information to both IRS and Attorney General's offices.

10/2 Attorney General's office approved our registration for a charitable organization and issued a CO# which is needed to apply for grants. This also means we need to file an annual financial report and submit a \$15 filing fee with the Attorney General by the end of May each year - which is 6 mos. after the end of our fiscal year.

10/15 I phoned the Attorney General's office to confirm approval of the registration and was told we are not yet tax exempt (which is only from the IRS). However, I was informed that we could start applying for grants with our CO#. This was only to register as a charity with the state of Illinois and to report fundraising activities. We never did this before, but need to do it now in order to get our tax exempt status. Whether we are approved or not.

10/15 I contacted Billy Schneider in Del Monte Gardens and asked if he could start searching for possible grants for LLMA. I did some research and found a possibility of a grant on the DNR site, but want to work with Billy who does these all the time to see if it is possible.

10/15 I phoned the IRS to see if I could get an update of our tax exempt status. I also checked online, but that information is not available to the public until we are approved. I was told that our application was reviewed by a Determination Specialist on 10/6 and she passed it to her Manager who will either approve, send back to the Determination Specialist for more information, or deny our application. Any of these possibilities could take between a week and 6 months. I put a call into the Determination Specialist's Manager from our original letter of 9/16 and asked for a return call.

10/15 The IRS Determination Specialist Manager returned my call today and informed me that we are scheduled for approval but they will not generate a letter until next Thursday because we were automatically revoked and had to be reinstated and this takes a little longer to process. When we receive the official letter, we can start taking tax deductible donations.

9. New Business - It was suggested to bring snacks to the next meeting.

10. Public Comments - No public comments.

11. Notice of Next Meeting - Next meeting is November 19, 2015.

- 12. Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. A motion to adjourn made by Joan Lahey; seconded by Gail Keefe.
- 13. Meeting of the Whole** - The meeting of the whole was held after the general meeting. The Agenda for the November 19, 2015 was set.