



**TLA Annual Meeting
August 03, 2019
Minutes**

- Item 1** - President Craig Holmer called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05 am
- Item 2** - The Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- Item 3** - The agenda was approved without change
- Item 4** - The August 4, 2018 Annual Meeting minutes were approved
- Item 4a** - Secretary John Bogard introduced the Board Members –
- Item 4b** - TLA member Paul Bogard gave a short update to his light pollution presentation of 5 years ago
- Item 5** - OLD BUSINESS: Committee Reports –
- Item 5a** - Accounting & Finance – Donna Andersen, Treasurer – Donna introduced a new ‘TLA Operations Report’ showing the history of assets from 2013 through fiscal year ending 2019 – Total assets are \$46,356.28 as of 7/31-2019 –
- Item 5b** - Membership – Kay Johnson, Membership Chair – Kay reported membership remained high at 270 TLA members and 142 SPC members.
- Item 5c** - Preservation/AIS/Communications/Education – John Bogard, Chair – John introduced Jeff Forester, Executive Director of the Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates (MLR) – Jeff reported on the results of the last legislative session highlighting the increase in the 3 year boat license fee which will provide funding for the DNR to reinstate its grant program and the funding for a new secondary school curriculum program at the local level to encourage public schools to teach a course on the importance of maintaining the environment including lakes and rivers. Jeff also reported on the work he and Henry Erdman do at the legislature as the only paid lobbyists representing the interests of lakes, lake property owners, and rivers. John also discussed several initiatives the Board is considering for AIS.

- Item 5e** - Water Quality Committee – Bob Muir, Chair – In Bob’s absence Craig Holmer reported the association with continue to sample water from 2 places in the lake in the months of June, July, August, and September.
- Item 5f** - Social Committee – Toni Gross, Chair –Toni reported almost 700 people were fed during the 4th of July ‘water’ picnic.
- Item 5g** - Website Committee – Mark Hageness, Chair – Mark reported items are continuing to be added to the website. Mark also reported on the very successful 4th of July Boat Parade.
- Item 5h** - Member Relations Committee – Karen Engh & Linda Hagen, Co-Chair – John Bogard reported the committee is starting on projects including the posting of current AIS information in the glass enclosures at the DNR public landing, Thunder Lake Sports, and at the Sportman’s Club range. Also, a TLA brochure will be developed to be included in a ‘Welcome to Thunder Lake’ package to be given to new Thunder Lake property owners.
- Item 5i** - TLA Special Project – Loon Nests – Pat Blazick, Chair – Pat indicated 3 loon platforms were active this year and plans are in place to add a 4th next year.
- Item 5j** - Nominating Committee – Jim Johnson, Chair – Jim reported all three current board members whose current term expires today have agreed to sign up for an additional 3 year term.
- Item 5k** - Fisheries Committee – Craig Riendeau, Chair – Craig was not able to make the meeting but indicated that fishing continues to be good on Thunder (especially, if you know where to go).
- item 6** - NEW BUSINESS –
- Item 6a** - Board elections – Andersen, Bogard, Muir – The membership re-elected the 3 current board members to an additional term –
(Following the Board election the business meeting closed)
- Item 6b** - During the open discussion session, members raised the subjects of buoy placements, no wake signs, and an invasive species of cattails that are present in selected areas of the lake. These items will be added to the Board’s agenda for the last Board meeting of the year scheduled for Sunday, September 29, 2019 -

Item 6c - The membership was reminded that the picnic is starting today at 3:00pm
@ Deer Haven.

Item 7 - Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30am
Special Note – Attendance at the meeting was 42 –
Attachments: Sample TLA Operations Report and MLR Accomplishments

Respectfully submitted –

John Bogard, TLA Secretary