# HANCOCK LAKE ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2010

The Annual Meeting of the Hancock Lake Association, Inc. was called to order by President, Dick Statton at 9:00 A.M. on June 12, 2010 at the Woodboro Town Hall. Officers present were Dick Statton, George Beltz, Bill Tischendorf, Gene Klawikowski, and Lou Mezei. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and the minutes were approved. He also reported that we now have 41 paid members. The treasure reported that we have \$3530.03 in our bank account.

#### **Old Business**

After the Dam inspection the town of Woodboro was to prepare a maintenance plan and an emergency plan. Dick, Gene, and Bill went to a town meeting and volunteered to work with the DNR and create a maintenance plan and deliver it to the town board. We completed the two plans and have sent them on to the DNR for approval. Once the plans are approved we will submit them to the town board.

Four years ago a small colony of Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) was found at the southern end of the lake near the dam. We pulled most of this and continued to monitor it. That year the DNR did an aquatic plant survey of the entire lake, continued monitoring showed little spread until this year. We have several colonies of EWM in the main channel from the big island down stream, some of these colonies are in the boating path which results in them getting fragmented and set adrift to form new colonies. The lack of rain has the water a lot clearer this year allowing deeper light penetration along with this an early ice out will produce more weed growth this year. The EWM gets a head start on the natives and grows at a faster rate and can quickly out compete the natives.

#### **New Business**

Dick Statton, Bill Tischendorf, Gene Klawikowski, and Jerry Sheahan met with the DNR to discuss the options to control the weed issue. He told us there are three methods. Continuing pulling it, hire divers to pull it, plant a weevil that will eat it(extremely costly), or spray a chemical on the plant. Before any spraying can be done the DNR requires that a Lake

Management plan has to be completed. This can take up to 2 years and the cost is expensive, but grant money from the state can be received to cover 75%. Bill explained options and after much discussion a motion was made and seconded to contact the various company's doing these plans and get a real cost for the project. Then have another meeting to further discus the options. The president of the Oneida Lake Association was in attendance and reported they have been hiring divers to pull the weeds with very limited success.

It was also decided that we should continue pulling the weeds while we study the other options. At last years meeting it was decided to purchase an old pontoon boat to allow for a better platform for pulling the weeds. Mic Ahles donated an old pontoon boat for this purpose. A nice round of applause was given to Mic. Dick stated that we need more volunteer help to assist Bill in pulling the weeds. Nine people volunteered. Bill will coordinate the activity. A round of applause was given to thank Bill for all his efforts on the weed issues.

Oneida County deputy Sara Wolosek gave a presentation on forming a Neighborhood Crime Watch program. The benefits are attached. After some discussion a motion was made and approved to set up this program. Essentially we have to get permission from the town board, buy some signs (\$20) and the posts to put them on. Also the sheriff's department requires one or two contacts from the association and these contacts can notify the people on the lake as issues arise. Sherry Fechter and I volunteered. I have the list of emails for the lake association and I am hoping to get a list of emails for everyone on the lake. Then I can notify everyone when there is a problem.

Discussion was held concerning the time and place of the picnic. It was decided to change the date to the third weekend in July. Jerry Sheehan and Lori Weston volunteered. The group thanked Sally Klawikowski for her efforts over the past few years.

### **Election of officers:**

The nominations were made for treasurer, secretary, and 2 directors. Dick Statton-President
Bill Tischendorf-Vice President
Randy Fechter-Director.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting. Gene Klawikowski Secretary

## Notes about the picnic

Overcast weather, no rain, great food, prizes, and fellowship with about 45 people attending. Door prizes were won by Lori Weston, Gary Hetzer, and Sandy Wimmer. The silent auction yielded \$182.

Vote for the 2010 nominated officers of the Hancock Lake Association.

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