

## BSLA MEETING MINUTES OF FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2008

Board Members Present: Mark Johnson, Bob Greifzu, Dan Branson, Jim Carlson, John Merboth  
Jack Johnson, Don Fuchs, Neal Sampson, John Pilney

Meeting minutes of February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008, approved as presented by Bob Greifzu, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Neal Sampson.

Treasurers reported given by Dan Branson – will be revising December 2007, January 2008 – now using new computer program – Quicken – approved by Jim Carlson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Greifzu.

MEMBERSHIP – 323 so far.

PRESIDENTS REPORT – Received 319 Grant monies for summer intern - River Lakes fair – Big Sandy report – Steve Hughes – water quality report – call for papers – more information next month.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS – OTHER

- BSALWMP – locals were apposed to Meandering of Ditch 14.
- Rope Study – Bob waiting for report-
- John Merboth – Rope study – more information on survey for lakeshore owners – use results of survey for members – members want current information
- TMDL – meeting with Aitkin, Carlton – revisions – end of next week – sediment samples for testing phosphorus – Barr Engineering to do testing – Barr Engineering meeting about sampling- – who wants to do – do an article for Newsletter - wild rice permit? – business sold – new owner, Steve Morgan – concern, source of phosphorus
- 319 report – handout – grant
- Water Planning Task Force – update – development of lakes – ponds – what happens – Aitkin County – how we take care – quality – new committee – smaller lakes – quality of water – development
- Fishing Pier – met with Wayne Floe – Jim Carlson, Bob Greifzu
- Invasive species – grant approved – 1 intern, maybe 2 – workshop – identify species – \$500 fee grant pays for – need new signage – Neal Sampson in charge of – needs to be done by 1<sup>st</sup> of May– include members for help in installing signage
- Jim Carlson – Water Institute brochure to be done by early May (15<sup>th</sup>) - copy to all BSLA members
- Letter – take a kid fishing – requesting help - \$100 donation – approved by Bob Greifzu, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Neal Sampson – Fleming Lake, June 7<sup>th</sup> – hats instead of shirts – 2 hats
- Community Week – July 16<sup>th</sup> – Jim Carlson to update
- John Merboth – will continue mowing overlook – will need help the 1<sup>st</sup> mowing
- Community dates – May 12<sup>th</sup> County road 14 pick up – BSLA annual meeting June 21<sup>st</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>, River and Lakes fair, need all dates for Newsletter – will put in Newsletters twice.
- Invasive species – aquatic plant management program – purpose – aquatic plant management permits – mailing will go out to property owners (BSLA members?) – who can get a permit – types of control – what activities do not require a permit – floating leaf aquatic plants – when is permit required – emergent aquatic plants – when considering shoreline or lake vegetation control – have realistic expectations – limit control to what is necessary – think in long-range terms – consider cumulative effects – understand – penalties – DNR website – Wayne Muller

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Aquatic plant management for DNR– packets to lake shore owners – restoration projects before/after

- Water surface use – no meeting yet
  - Fisheries – no current information – need meeting – DNR – across the board – have meeting for information
  - Government relations – John Sturner – not heard
  - ACLARA – April start
  - Education – Janet Smoody – hire someone for planting – use Todd Streeters shoreline as example – Jim Krezowski to head this committee
- Old Business – change bank signature cards for current signers

Guests –

- Shamrock Township – building almost complete – spring clean up – April 26<sup>th</sup>
- Brian Napstad – Kennecott – exploration – map showing different areas – new leases for different mineral uses – 2 more years of exploration before there is going to be a mine – 6 leases for this area- 10 year – half a million dollars worth of payments – exploration/build within 10 years – who gets what – BSALWMP meeting on Friday – restoration of Sandy river – survey – regional plan – EPA mandated plan by 2064 to restore sites to its original look – 350 million to restore.
- Nominations for Board of Directors – will put in Newsletter
- Community meal – done
- Annual meeting agenda – Brian Napstad – Terry Neff – Scott Turner – Dan Guida – Brent Speldish
- Treats for April – Mark Johnson
- next meeting – April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008, @ 8:30a.m. at Grace Lutheran Church
- Meeting adjournment – John Merboth, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Johnson

Meeting Minutes subject to corrections, additions  
Lee Johnson – for Karen Trembly