

RLPOA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING May 26, 2007

The general membership meeting at the Town of Round Lake Hall was brought to order at 9:00 am by Board President, Bob Strachota. All the board members were present. Bob Strachota President; Jack Ardoyno Water Safety Committee; Wally Narr Membership; John Otterlei Treasurer; Terry Kingston Water Quality; Sue Kintzinger Membership; Al Reinemann Fish Committee; Jim Nancekivell Newsletter; Tom Kintzinger Vice President and Secretary.

About 100+ general members were present at the Town of Round Lake Hall on May 26, 2007 at 9 AM. There was standing room only.

Since the last general membership meeting on 9/23/06 David Andersen & Bill Whitlock have resigned from their RLPOA Board positions. John Otterlei and Tom Kintzinger were elected by the RLPOA Board last Jan. 2006 to replace these two resigning board members on any interim basis.

John Otterlei interim treasurer was nominated and elected as official treasurer replacing David Anderson and completing his term expiring on 9/08.

Tom Kintzinger interim Vice-President and Secretary was elected by the general membership to complete the term of Bill Whitlock expiring 9/09. Both were elected by unanimous consent by the general members.

Jeff Eaton (Peninsula Road Resident) informed the association of the Town of Hayward's plan for removal of trees within 7' – 10' on each side of Peninsula Road. Heather Harrington of 12776 W. Peninsula Road is also involved with this petition. The town is doing this to be in compliance with State of Wisconsin road requirements, to limit liability, and to qualify for funding. The town may also have plans to widen the ditches and certain parts of the road. The removal of all these trees will have a negative impact on the aesthetics of the road and widening of the road will lead to more impervious surface which will cause further runoff and degradation of the lake. A petition was signed by many attendees at the meeting to support the Peninsula Road residents. **A motion was made and seconded to support the Peninsula Road group.** This was approved by the general membership. The association will draft a letter and send it to the town of Hayward. Apparently there is some uncertainty about what setback is required (7 or 10 feet). **The Round Lake Board and Peninsula Road residents support a 7' setback not the 10' setback.**

Water quality was discussed by Terry Kingston and the study to establish a base-line for aquatic plants, etc. will cost \$17,700.00. We have applied for a grant of \$8,850.00 which will pay for one-half of the cost and the other half of \$8,850.00 will be paid out of the association funds-milfoil fund. Terry is seeking 5 or 6 volunteers to assist with the collection of data that must be done this summer.

Jack Ardoyno has put out the channel marker buoys with solar lights.

The Water level issue was then discussed.

A motion was made to continue to have the county manage Round Lake Water Levels and this was seconded & approved by the general membership. RLPOA does not want the county to abrogate their water management responsibilities. RLPOA also wants to make sure the County manages the lake according to “objective” data and that the RLPOA and their members will have an important influence in how the Round Lake water level is managed.

A motion was made and seconded “not to abandon the Placid Lake Diversion Channel”. RLPOA wants a comprehensive plan not a piecemeal Round Lake Management Plan. The Placid Diversion Canal should not be abandoned until there is a complete plan in place.

A motion was also made, seconded and approved by the general membership to support the SEH recommendations in their March 2007 Hydraulic Controls Evaluation and specifically to support a weir dam.

The association will post on their web-site the names and addresses of our representatives (Kathy McCoy, Fred Zietlow and Arlene Mizerka). Owners are encouraged to write their local representatives.

A motion was made and seconded to request Sawyer County contract with SEH to determine the water level history on Round Lake. This would be an independent study used to establish the level where the weir dam would be set. This study would tell us what the lake level has been historically over the last 25 years.

Dan Tyrolt an engineer for the LCO Tribe was at the meeting as an observer.

Tom Kintzinger said the SEH March 2007 report said the water level could not be above 1346.15 without changing the proposed 100 year flood level. The lake is currently about 1344.2 feet and he said the level over the last 25 years has been frequently above the 1941 PSC order of 1344.75 to 1345.

Jack Ardoyno said the downstream impact of a new dam was important and that RLPOA is concerned about the whole watershed and wants what is best for all concerned. He also said the RLPOA and Round Lake homeowners were being painted as rich whiners by the County.

All of the above motions were unanimously approved without any dissent from the general membership.

The “public informational meetings” conducted by Sawyer County will be at The Hayward High School on June 29, 2007 6Pm to 9PM & at the LCO Casino July 6 6PM to 9PM. General members were strongly encouraged to attend and were reminded that these meetings are critical in how the water issue will ultimately be determined. RLPOA

cannot do everything and does not have the financial resources at this time to initiate any protracted legal action. "DNR public hearings" may come later if there is something official to act on concerning Round Lake Water Level Issue.

Bob Strachota said we may have to eventually plead our case in Madison and that we have a lot of potential connections there.

The Spring 2007 Newsletter will be out shortly and not reflect the above information because of printing and timeline logistics. Jim Nancekevell has been working on the newsletter and has forwarded it to the local printer.

Al Reinemann reported that the DNR had been sent a letter requesting that no trout be released into Round Lake. Trout were released without regard to our request in the past and apparently have caused problems with walleye fry.

John Otterlei, treasurer stated that as of April 30, 2007 the total funds owned by the association is \$43,466.00. Of that, \$21,613.00 is in the Milfoil Fund and \$21,853 is in the general fund.

Wally Narr stated that so far for 2007 we had 282 paid members. Last year was a record with just under 400 paid members.

Helen Morgan spoke in support of the Park Theatre purchase and upcoming events. Their website is www.parktheaterproject.com

A letter was drafted by the association and signed by official RLPOA board members stating what the above water level motions were and this letter was sent to the County Clerk Kris Mayberry, County Law firm (Scott Nicastro) & Sawyer County Board of Directors including Shirley Riedmann.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Kintzinger, VP & Sec RLPOA