

# MINUTES FROM THE COON LAKE HILLS ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL MEETING

May 9, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

**Board Members:** Mike McIsaac, Marianne Blaszcak, Marilyn McGowan and Lynne Lewandowski introduced themselves to the group.

**Lake Pro Presentation:** Peter from Lake Pro (peter@lakeproinc.com) reported that the phosphates and nitrates in our lake are within the target range and the total phosphorus level is decreasing. LakePro will continue to survey and design treatments for problem areas. The first treatment will address Eurasian Milfoil and Curly Leaf Pondweed (do not cut them as they spread/multiply with fragmentation). There will be multiple treatments to address the Starry Stonewort and Chara and two treatments on the Lily Pads. Peter estimates that we will have 8 treatments this summer as opposed to the 6 last summer. There is a weed survey scheduled for Monday, May 13. He apologized for the fact that treatments would be ineffective on rainy days, which means that LakePro's posted yellow signs will most likely prohibit some swimming on a few of our sunny summer days. He asked that you contact him (810-635-4400) with any concerns about specific treatment days. PFAS testing will take place in July. This is purely a precautionary measure because it was an issue in the Huron chain of lakes. Peter also reassured us that the herbicides used on our lake break down and do not harm landscapes or fish; however, we should follow any specific directions on the yellow signs. Liquid fertilizers are better for lakefront landscapes because the granules tend to wash away.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the 2018 Annual Meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** We have a current balance of \$19,988.95. Several people have not yet paid their association dues. Prompt payment would be appreciated as they are now past the final due date.

**Goose Nest Control:** 25 Eggs have been removed and 5 nests are being observed.

**Harvester Needed!** Please ask local friends and family who live on lakes to recommend a reputable company that their association uses.

**Fish Stocking:** A great discussion complete with pictures! Walleye is thriving, growing to twice the size they were last year. The fish stocking cost \$9,790 (\$5,775 from the Association and \$4,015 from neighbors' donations). Donations can be made to the Association or directly to Don Walsh.

**Emails:** Almost everyone has provided their email address to CLHA Board. Personal information (email/phone) would never be shared with anyone but the members of the Board without your permission. Email communication is more cost effective and environmentally responsible AND it keeps you instantly updated with your neighbors and local events/issues. Check your inboxes to keep current and in the know!

**Board Members:** Neighbors enthusiastically welcomed the following people who stepped up to volunteer their time and talents to serve on the Board:

1. Mel Vannocker
2. Tom Vanderpas
3. Glenn Stevenson
4. Erin Zimlich

We are very thankful that they will be joining the equally talented Lynne Lewandowski, Marilyn McGowan and Mike McIssac on the CLHA Board. Go, Team!!!

**Call To Public:**

- Any watercraft - kayak, jet ski, boat - that was used in any other lake MUST be power washed before returning it to Coon Lake to prevent contamination.
- Boater education should be considered (with additional emphasis on fishing courtesy/guidelines) for an upcoming meeting for all members.
- Our private lake status is more vigilantly observed during the summer months. Several four wheelers were observed driving over neighbors' property during the Winter. This issue will be discussed further; your input would be appreciated.
- Multiple companies are used by our neighbors for garbage and recycling. This is causing issues with undue traffic and street disrepair. The option of conducting a survey to secure a group discount with one or two companies was discussed. Further information and discussion is needed before we progress with this option.
- Concerns were also shared about people not following the by-laws (which protect the rights and property of our neighbors) by not restricting their dogs by fences/leashes and/or by allowing their property to become an eyesore to others. The current bylaws do not strongly enforce non-compliance and may therefore need to be updated.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:15.