

**Otter Lake Association Annual Meeting
August 29, 2015
Otter Lake Firehouse**

Mona Lincoln, president, called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Hubert Velepec announced that this is the annual meeting, and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Wendy Eden read the minutes from the meeting on July 25, 2015. Bob Melber motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Jorge Battle seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

June Wellman presented the treasurer's report. Steve Debottis motioned that the report be accepted as presented, Audrey Velepec seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Committee and Liaison reports:

Grounds Committee - Gene Trimble thanked everyone that volunteered this year to help with maintenance within our community. It is very much appreciated!

Forestport Town Board Meeting - Mona Lincoln did not attend.

Old Business:

Aquatic vegetation: On August 19, APAS and DEC did a site visit. Leigh, David, Dan Josephson, Mona Lincoln, and Bob Vandewater left from the boat launch to observe the aquatic vegetation in the lake. It was found to be very clear, with less vegetation than expected. Unfortunately, this makes the lake unhealthy, because of the lack of vegetation. The carp that are left are eating lilies because of the lack of more favorable food. The agency will visit every year to observe how the lake is changing. Please note, that if we had applied to release more carp into the lake they would have denied our application because there is not sufficient vegetation to support them. There was mention that there has been sightings of unwanted vegetation in certain areas of the lake.

Officer and Board Member Elections: Hubert Velepec introduced the following slate of officers for a 2 year term:

President - Mona Lincoln
Vice President - Hubert Velepec
Treasurer - June Wellman
Secretary - Wendy Eden

And the following board members for a 3 year term:

Rob Reilly
Jorge Battle

Hubert asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There being none, Ellie Connick made a motion to stipulate that the secretary cast one ballot for those offices. Bonnie Hurd seconded the motion, and it was unanimously passed. Wendy Eden, secretary so stipulated.

Correspondence:

APIPP training was attended by Mona Lincoln, Jim LaFountain and Bob Vandewater. This was a repeat of former training. Correspondence regarding monitoring was received and will be done in August and September.

A thank you note was received from CAP-21 for our continuing support of their organization.

New Business:

It was announced that we would be trying something new for our Holiday Raffle this year, offering the option of gift certificates for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize or cash. Membership was asked for their thoughts and it was an overwhelmingly positive response!

Jim Kreutzer expressed a special thank you to Mona Lincoln for all her service throughout the year.

Event Reminder:

Steak bake on 9/6 at the firehouse

50/50 raffle winner - Bob Ogar, \$31

Jim Kreutzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Steve Debottis and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Eden
Secretary, Otter Lake Association