Minutes from 10th and 11th Crow Wing Lake Association meeting

(submitted by Nancy Abraham)

Secretary Minutes

Meeting May 2, 2009

President Dan Rud opened meeting.

Treasurers report \$1,952.32 in Bank.

Dues for 2009 are being received by the treasurer and most of the money from the bridge project has been returned per Treasurer Lisa Hansen. Suggestion was made to set a date that Yearly Dues should be paid. No motion made at this time. COLA (Coalition of Lake Associations) dues are paid in the Fall and are set based on membership.

Kim Bowen introduced Darrin Hoverson, Invasive Species Specialist with the DNR. His office is located at Itasca State Park. Darrin gave an update on current Curly Leaf Pondweed in 11th Crow Wing Lake and proper procedures to use when it has been identified. Kim stated that the weed infestation has improved, but it does come back. Hand pulling and chemical application can be effective if done on a regular basis. All chemical applications must have a permit issued by the DNR. Homeowners are allowed to treat 2500 square feet around their shoreline with the proper permit. Darrin has a Lake Survey for vegetation planned for the 11th Crow Wing Lake sometime in June. Kim will be notified of the date and interested homeowners can contact her for the date of the survey. All guests to the 10th and 11th Crow Wing Lakes need to check their boats before and after launching. That must include propeller, live wells, trailers, bait buckets, etc. All vegetation must be removed and disposed of properly. After discussion it was decided to continue with current practices of pulling Curly Leaf and homeowner chemical application when needed. Homeowners can go to DNR website for permit information.

(Copy and paste the following website address for a DNR application for permit: http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/assistance/backyard/shorelandmgmt/apg/apmapp.pdf. Also, here are instructions in PDF format where to mail your application and \$35 check to nearest DNR office allowing permits: http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/assistance/ /backyard/shorelandmgmt/apg/apminstruct.pdf

Concern voiced regarding dust from ATVs along the highway. Recommendation to contact the ATV club and the county to see if they can control the dust by Calcium Chloride application and proper trail maintenance.

The culvert in the 11th Crow Wing Lake has been cleaned and dredged. There are some large rocks in place so care must still be taken.

Bridge update: Scott Turner and Joel Abraham testified at the Capital for the Transportation sub-committee and the Finance Committee. The bill was passed unanimously for the State to fund bridge replacement. Legislature also recommended it be replaced under the Clean Water Act. No local funding will be required. Homeowners can follow the bill through the process by going to the State website. The Bridge Bill # is HF(House Finance) 749. The bill was introduced by Rep. Howes.

New business for next meeting: change meeting date so more members can attend.

Motion to adjourn seconded by Ken Norby.