

**Minutes of
KABEKONA LAKE ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
June 5, 2023**

The June 5, 2023 KLA board meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m. by President Ingrid Bey, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Laporte, MN.

Board members present: Ingrid Bey, Nick Rogge, Stef Westphal, Maddy Lawrence Kathy Brown, Sam Holmgren

Board members absent: Sarah Carlson, Paul Ullring, Sue Schiess

Committee members present: Catherine Holmgren, Rolf Smeby

A motion to approve the May 1, 2023 board minutes was made and seconded by board members. It was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ingrid Bey for Sue Schiess

- The KLA Statement of Income and Expenses 1/1-4/25/23, KLA Statement of Income and Expenses 1/1-12/31/22 and the KLA Statement of Income and Expenses 11/1-12/31/22 were previously distributed to the board.
- A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made and seconded by board members. It was unanimously approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP - Catherine Holmgren

- Catherine has enlisted Kris Bateman, Ruth Denzler and Rosy Albers to handle the membership table for the picnic.
- 60 RSVPs have been received for the picnic via the website.
- Catherine will send out another email blast.

LAKE MANAGEMENT - Sam Holmgren

- An AIS strategy coordination team between Lake Management and KLF will be set up to be able to quickly handle issues, if AIS is discovered in the lake

HC COLA - Rolf Smeby

- Lake Finder Minnesota is the source through the DNR to find lots of information about Minnesota lakes.
Fish species, invasive species and lake regulations are features on the site
- 1 pound of phosphorus will breed 500 pounds of algae.
- The ice went out on May 9th
- At the end of May, the lake temperature 3 feet down was 73

KLF - Catherine Holmgren

- There are 2 funds that the KLF manages through St. Paul & Minnesota Community Foundation
 - One is the granting fund, which the KLF uses to access money for grants
 - The Perpetual fund is the largest fund
 - The KLF is limited to use about \$20,000 of this fund for grants
 - Money combined from both these funds can be used to fund grants that are proposed to the KLF
- If AIS was discovered in the lake, the KLF would have raise funds on an emergency basis to combat AIS
- With completion of the Potlatch land acquisition, the KLF goal of reaching 75% protected land in the Kabekona Watershed will be more than achieved

NEW BUSINESS

- There are a number of bent over Norways along the road due to the heavy snowfall last winter.
 - The KLA planted many of these trees originally
 - Gary Roderick, Kabekona's forestry expert wrote an article on how to help them.
 - The article will be sent to the website in addition to a blas

OLD BUSINESS

KONA KONA (Point of Pines)

- Kona Kona is owned by 2 sisters, Jenna (and Matty Walker) and Anna (and Roy Barigayomwe)
 - POP is the only resort they own
 - They seem very invested in lake quality
 - They appreciated hearing that people should use the public landing to launch boats
 - They had quite a bit of pressure from certain area residents to put their boats in at the resort instead of at the public landing

KLA PICNIC

- The KLA Picnic will be held at Laporte School on Saturday, June 10, from 11 to 1 pm
 - 130 box lunches were purchased from Super One
 - Ice out Trophy will be given out

SHORT TERM LAKE RENTALS

Ingrid reached out to Betsy Peterson, who owns the short term rentals on the lake

- Betsy talks to all of her renters about AIS
- Most of her business is repeat guests from previous years
- It was a positive conversation and Ingrid believes Betsy is a reliable, supportive partner with the KLA's lake stewardship goals

JULY 4TH KLA BOAT PARADE

Admiral Nick will lead the boat parade this year
It will head around the lake counterclockwise from the river outlet

A motion was made to adjourn and seconded by board members. It was unanimously passed. The June KLA Board meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am.

The next KLA board meeting will be on July10th, 8:30 at Trinity Lutheran in Laporte.