

FISH COMMITTEE MEETING

January 6, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 with the following in attendance:

Joe Harper, Wally Raduns, Marty Beierwaltes, Jim Hibsich, Orv Bergsmith, Arney Mesnard, Mike Mazzaroli, John Scaduto, Dan Wagner, Joe Froelich, Don Skadow, Ken Anderson and Walter and Dianne Postelnick

The December minutes were read and a motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as read.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Treasurer's Report

Marty reported that we opened our account with \$6,797, but with expenditures of \$924.50 for some of the stocked fish and Karen's gift certificate, and the \$104 which was made from the sale of maps, we are left with \$5,161.46.

2. Cinder Blocks

The January date was cancelled because we couldn't be sure the ice would be thick enough so the date of February 5, Saturday at 10:00 is now planned. We will meet at the South beach. . .

3. Kids Clinic

Joe is still looking for volunteers to teach a clinic on any part of fishing. The Saturday before Father's Day is the date set for the clinic.

4. Gift Certificate

Joe presented to Karen the gift certificate from the club on a Saturday before Christmas. At that time he expressed our appreciation to her for the treats that await us at our meetings.

New Business

1. New Membership

Suggestions were asked of how to get more people at our meetings. It was suggested that a sign be posted whenever a meeting is to be held. Gander

Mountain gift certificate was suggested to be used as a door prize. A motion was made to do a gift certificate for the duration of 3 months' trial period, not to exceed \$25, starting in February. This motion was not opposed.

2. Kuda Rule

It was discussed that we should start using the Kuda rule more often. This rule is that we will wait for 30- days before and motion can be carried. It was agreed that fish committee (president, vice president, etc.) will decide if that rule shall be used as with the past.

3. Fish Report

Right now, everyone agreed that there was too much snow on the ice to make going out safe or worthwhile. Orv reported that he has been lucky with crappie. He even reported that small walleye had been caught. Then the discussion went to how we could remove more catfish from the lake. Marty suggested printing recipes in the LS News to encourage ways that the catfish could be used and not returned to the lake.

3. DNR News.

Ken Anderson has agreed to write a letter to the governor explaining how his cuts in the Conservation Department are hurting fishermen and explaining that the money we pay for our licenses should be applied to this purpose. We would also try to influence other lake communities to do this as well, or at least to sign our letter showing their approval.

It was also brought to our attention that the conservation officer, Steve Beltran, who spoke at the kids' fish clinic last year, had his house burn down in Durand. The club has sent a \$100 donation to the Durand Bank where a fund has been set up for the family's recovery.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Postelnick
Joe Harper