

FISH COMMITTEE MEETING

March 3, 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, Duane Lundgren, Wes Haas, Steve Weech, Mike LaGrange, Chris Lagrange, Mike Emanuele, Paul Hasselquist, Bernie Barnard, Dan Wagner, Jean Yatekos, William Holt, Donald Skid, Roger Willer, Ron and Edith Dobrunz, John Scaduto, Doug Olson and Walter and Dianne Postelnick

The February minutes were read and Orvin made a motion to accept the minutes as read, which was seconded.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Treasurer's Report

Marty reported that after paying for the cement blocks and the new poster, we had \$4,826.19 in our account. We made a current profit of \$199 from the sale of fish maps and so far we have made a total of \$620 from the sale of fish maps. More maps have been ordered. Our new account total is \$4,925.19.

2. Concrete Blocks

900 blocks and 39 people showed up to put the blocks in the lake on Saturday, March 5. We will be do this again for the next couple of years. The crappies are already on top of the rocks. Joe thanked everyone that was present who might have been there to help on that Saturday morning. Everything went smoothly and the work was completed in less than 2 hours. Maintenance helped when it came to removing the skids and Joe suggested that a pizza party/lunch should be given to the maintenance workers for their help. Joe informed us that Wally Raduns already has ideas for next year; such as putting the skids on the beach instead of the grass. The teamwork that morning was exceptional and well planned out. In fact, everyone seemed to have a good time and felt good being able to participate.

3. DNR

Joe talked to our game warden, Steve Beltrin. Steve thanked the club for the donation that was made to help restore his house that suffered fire damage when it caught on fire last Christmas Eve. .

NEW BUSINESS

1. Bass Limit.

Last year we were short of bass but we stocked bass this Fall. Last year we put a 24" limit on bass but now there is a catch and release only until June 15. We had a show of hands from the club to get their feelings on this. A motion was made to raise the size of all bass to 21" after June 15. This motion was carried unanimously. The Kuta rule will go into effect and the vote will be brought up again at the April meeting.

2. Water Report

Wally will be testing the water for various elements and asked for help in the near future. As far as testing for mercury, you have to catch 6 carp and fillet them, which is not easy to do. .

3. Lake Planning Report

Marty gave a report to the membership explaining what the Lake Planning Committee is doing now to help the health of our lake. This was for the benefit of the members who were not at our February meeting, when it was originally explained.

4. News

Lake Summerset lost the title for the largest muskie caught in Illinois. Some of the tiger muskie in our lake are now approximately 24".

5. Fish Report

Many people have already started using the area where the concrete blocks have been dropped and Orvin has been keeping busy catching crappies, blue gills, and one walleye of good size was caught by another member.

6. Drawing

The Gander Mountain gift certificate was won by Roger Willer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Postelnick
Joe Harper