

**KLHA Annual Meeting**  
**May 26, 2018**  
**9:00 AM**  
**Ideal Corners Community Center**

The KLHA Annual Meeting was preceded by the KLID Annual Meeting and an excellent presentation by long-time Kimball Lake resident, volunteer, AIS expert and AIS Committee Chair , Jim Schultz. Jim had recently spoken at the University of Minnesota's "Gathering Partners" Conference. Jim spoke about how an involved community is a critical component of aquatic invasive species (AIS) management, telling the story of our active AIS prevention efforts since 2003.

**KLHA President Jim Rusch called the Annual Meeting to order.** KLHA Board members Jan Lodico, Dave Rysdam, Ric Rowe and Jeff Baumgartner joined Jim. Jim spoke to the KLHA Vision and Purpose as well as the KLID / KLHA Coordination information, included in the meeting materials.

**Welcomes and Thank You's**– Ric Rowe welcomed residents new to the lake since the last meeting. Ric also thanked the many volunteers who support our community and activities, especially Committee chairs and Access Monitors.

**Minutes of the 2017 KLHA Annual Meeting** were reviewed. Denny Lecler moved that the minutes be approved; Mike O'Neil seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a voice vote.

**Access Monitoring** - Jim Rusch turned over the meeting to Dave Rysdam, thanking Dave for his excellent analysis and efforts to sort out the many County changes impacting our Access

## Monitoring Program.

Dave walked through his analysis, summarized in the meeting materials. He presented a plan for the current year that works with the reduced hours provided by the county, along with additional hours to be purchased by the KLID, and estimated hours to be contributed by volunteers. This plan will ensure coverage of peak access usage days/times based on analysis of historical data.

Dave also provided a forecast for future years when it is expected that the County will further reduce the hours they provide. This forecast made clear that our historical approach for coverage would no longer be financially sustainable.

Dave noted that the Board would form a special working group of residents to work through challenges and opportunities in order to arrive at a go-forward strategic plan for Access Monitoring. This strategic plan will be presented at next year's annual meeting.

Dave wrapped up by summarizing how people can learn more about volunteering to be an Access Monitor as well as how to make extra, tax-deductible contributions ear-marked for Access Monitoring.

Jim Rusch then asked for a motion to approve the 2018 Access Monitoring Plan. Dick Bredehoft so moved with Jim Schultz seconding. The plan was approved.

**Chain of Lakes Coordination Efforts** – Jim Rusch provided an overview of recent Chain of Lakes Coordination Efforts with a focus on Safe Navigation of Kimball Creek as well as Upstream Navigation Concerns.

Don Majsterski, representing the Ossie LID and Homeowners Association, provided an update on Ossie's work in these areas,

including outreach to the Highview Campground and Vacation Rental By Owner cabin owners.

In addition, Sue Manchester, representing the Star Lake Homeowners Association, provided upstream lake homeowner perspective on concerns about the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species to their – as yet – uninfected lakes. Sue noted that efforts to work with the DNR and County to establish a boulder barrier and ordinance to prohibit upstream navigation – along the lines of what was established in Kimball Creek in 2003 – have not been successful. The DNR has placed signage warning persons navigating the Bass/Kimball Creek of downstream infested waters. Bass and Star residents will also place signage asking people NOT to navigate upstream to protect lakes from AIS.

In support of the concerns of Sue and other upstream lake homeowners, Jim Rusch and other Board Members commented that the KLHA has taken a position that upstream navigation by Kimball residents is discouraged. Don Majsterski noted that the Ossie Association is doing likewise. The KLHA board offered that Kimball residents and guests wishing to experience transiting of lakes head downstream through Kimball Creek.

**Treasurers Report**– Jan Lodico reviewed the 2017/2018 expenses and 2018/2019 budget outlined in the meeting materials. General Fund - \$2,222.49; KLHA Lake Improvement Fund - \$3,799.99; Total Available Funds - \$6,022.48; Estimated Incoming Funds 2017/18 - \$2000. Jim Schultz suggested an additional \$100 contribution to the U of M AIS Research Center (UMAISRC). Jim Rusch then asked for a motion to approve the 2017/2018 expenses as well as the 2018/2019 budget inclusive of this additional donation to the UMAISRC. Sally Baumgartner so moved with Marsh Pechauer seconding the motion. Treasurer's Report was approved by a voice vote.

**Committee reports**– Ric Rowe called on Committee Chairs for their reports:

- **Social Committee**- Co-Chairs **Karen Rysdam, Jean Larsen, and Kathy Mohr** thanked **Sharon Giebenhain** for her many years of service as Social Committee chair. They then presented the 2018 calendar of events, included in the meeting materials. The board thanks the Social Committee to its outstanding efforts in support of the KLHA mission to foster community through social events.
- **Sunshine Committee**- Chair **Barb Rowe**, thanked **Jane Maas** for her many years of service as Sunshine Committee Chair. Barb reported on notes/cards sent to lake owners this year, and asked that members contact her if they know residents that should be contacted.
- **Water Quality Committee**- Co-Chairs Steve Erickson and Arlen Johnson reported Kimble continues to be among the highest in water quality (clarity and algae) in the area. Steve encouraged homeowners to use a minimum of nitrogen fertilizer on lawns and promoted the filtering of water flowing into the lake with lakeside plantings to maintain or improve our water quality.
- **Fish Stocking Program** – Chair **Larry Knutson** reported on the stocking of fingerlings in late October 2017. The KLHA once again matched the amount stocked by the DNR. Larry also provided an update on DNR stocking program changes that are likely to impact our program in the future.
- **AIS Committee** – Chair **Jim Schultz** report was provided in conjunction with his earlier presentation.
- **Newsletter** - **Kate Larson** The Board thanked Kate for her excellent work as our Newsletter editor. Kate asked for a volunteer to replace her. She noted she has developed a

detailed set of procedures to support the next editor. Kate will continue through the fall newsletter and will assist with transition.

- **Clothing Committee- Maxine Knutson**Maxine again on hand with a display, catalogues, and order forms.
- **Gary Schwartz, Website Coordinator**– No changes to the excellent website.
- **Sally Baumgartner, Garage Sale Coordinator**encouraged participation in the upcoming Garage Sale.

### **2018 Election of KLHA Board Members**

Jeff Baumgartner introduced the slate of candidates for election: Jim Rusch and Jan Lodico are up for re-election for a second two-year term. There were no additional candidate names suggested. Marsh Pechauer moved for a vote with Kate Larsen seconding the motion. The candidates were elected in a unanimous ballot.

Jeff also noted that the Board wishes to form a nominating committee to identify future candidates for KLHA Board service.

A question was raised regarding the Kimball Lake Directory. Jan Lodico noted the Directory has been updated and will be distributed electronically. Residents who may not have a printer and wish a hard copy can contact Jan for a printed copy.

Jim Rusch called for any further questions for discussion. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jim Rusch