

**RUNYAN LAKE INC.  
PO BOX 105, FENTON MI 48430**

Approved at Spring General  
Membership Meeting 5/22/2009.

**FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
Friday, August 29, 2008  
Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Rd, Fenton MI 48430**

**MINUTES**

**Refreshments** were provided at 6:00 PM.

1. **Meeting was called to order** at 7:00 PM by Joe Perrera, with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dick Lemke.
2. **The Trustees present** introduced themselves to the meeting, and the areas they represented. A quorum for the meeting was achieved with 45 lots represented, including 9 Trustees present, Jim Beebe and Ken Burke were absent. No proxy votes were received.
3. **Fish Study, by Dr. David Jude, Freshwater Physicians** – A presentation overview of the study was given by Steve Hensler, in the absence of Dr. Jude. Steve showed pictures Dr. Jude had supplied of the fish population at Runyan Lake, giving us a close up look at the various types of fish we have, or should have at Runyan Lake. Points from the fish study included:
  - 3.1. Dissolved oxygen level of the lake is very good.
  - 3.2. Stratification was explained and Runyan Lake had good results.
  - 3.3. Aeration and temperature of the lake shows good habitat for Lake Herring, but none were found, which could be due to other fish, such as Walleye, predated them.
  - 3.4. Seines, gill nets and traps were used May 31, June 1 and June 28, 2008. No Lake Herring and no Yellow Perch were caught, suggesting a depressed population. Walleyes could be causing the decrease in population. Walleye were stocked in 1999 and 2004 and are at or above state average growth rates. Walleye are unlikely to reproduce in Runyan Lake conditions. The Northern Pike here are below the state average growth rate, possibly due to food competition with the Walleye, and we have a lot of Blue Gills and Pumpkinseeds. There were also a lot of Iowa Darters.
  - 3.5. In 1979 tests showed 17 species in Runyan Lake, 1995 showed 18, and 2008 showed 13. This suggests decreases in populations of several species. This could be due to Zebra Mussels too, which we did not have in the earlier tests. One Zebra Mussel filters one liter of water per day, depriving a lot of food from the smaller, developing fish.
  - 3.6. Catch and release is recommended, to encourage population growth, and due to possible mercury levels, common throughout Michigan, not any higher in Runyan Lake than elsewhere.
  - 3.7. Recommended that we not stock Walleye, Northern Pike or Large Mouth Bass.
  - 3.8. Recommended another search for Lake Herring in late August to mid September, 2008.
  - 3.9. Recommended preserving / protecting shoreline areas such that rocky areas and sloping beach areas remain for fish spawning. Pike reproduce in shallow water with weeds during winter..
  - 3.10. Questions:
    - 3.10.1. When we should test again? Agreed 3-5 years might be a good time, we will discuss during the Spring 2009 General Membership Meeting.
    - 3.10.2. Does boat traffic affect the fish? No, if anything it aerates the water.
    - 3.10.3. Should we plant Yellow Perch? No, we have good habitat, issue is too many predators. Yellow Perch have great reproductive capability. Walleye will be gone in approx. 15 years if they are not re-stocked, further helping the situation.
    - 3.10.4. Does Weed Control affect fish population? When weeds decompose it can cause localized low oxygen, but Runyan Lake shows no problem. Noted that weed treatment has been applied on Runyan Lake consistently since the early 1970's.
    - 3.10.5. Is weed harvesting (cutting) recommended? Better to continue chemical treatment.
    - 3.10.6. Are Lilly Pads good for fish habitat? Yes. Some types are protected.
  - 3.11. The meeting agreed to review next actions at the Spring 2009 General Membership Meeting.

- 3.12. Steve was thanked for his presentation and left at 7:40 PM.
- 3.13. The full Fish Study documents will be posted on the web site and noted in the next newsletter.
4. **Minutes of the Spring 2008 General Membership Meeting**, were distributed at the door. Motion was made by Chris Chauvin to approve as written, seconded by Bob Simpson. Motion carried.
5. **Treasurer's Reports**, provided by Ivan Quinn
- 5.1. **2007 auditor's report** – Letter from Lee Johnson, CPA, was shown approving Runyan Lake Inc. 2007 financial reporting. No comments to report. Requested the meeting for a volunteer CPA to carry this function for 2008.
- 5.2. **2008 year to date report** – Reviewed as attached, no comments.
- 5.3. **2009 Budget and Dues Proposals** – Reviewed as attached.
- 5.3.1. Estimated funds at the end of 2009 will approximate to the level of two years expenses, as directed at previous General Meetings.
- 5.3.2. Social Committee – Budget of \$1,700 includes for another Music Night on the Island, which was very well received this year, agreed to include.
- 5.3.3. Budget was finalized later in the meeting after other business, see §10.
6. **Nominations and election of trustees**
- 6.1. No nominations were received. Dick Lemke announced the Trustees who were standing for re-election:
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|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Area 1 – Michele Ostrowski | Area 4 – Ken Burke  |
| Area 2 – Bret Straffon     | Area 5 – Jim Sporer |
| Area 3 – Mark Meisel       |                     |
- 6.2. All agreed to represent their areas for another term. Ken Burke was absent, but had previously agreed to stand.
- 6.3. Dick Lemke made the motion to accept all trustees by acclamation. Damien Buchkowski seconded. Motion carried.
7. **Social Committee**, reported by Julie Dooling
- 7.1. The Hot Dog Roast, run by Ken & Gayle Burke and their helpers, sold 380 Hot Dogs, made \$2.95 profit.
- 7.2. Sandy Simpson agreed to continue ordering the logo wear, those who had already ordered were able to pick up their orders at the meeting.
- 7.3. Volunteers are needed for the Tailgate Party on October 25, 2008, at the VFW Club Room, Fenton. Tickets are \$7.00 per person and a dish to pass is requested. A flyer was provided.
- 7.4. Julie suggested various activities including a Game Night at the Eagles including Poker, Scrabble, and other games; a chili cook-off; dancing lessons; bus trip to a casino; and a winter "ice fest" in the SE Cove area including ice fishing, ice hockey, curling (Mel Richards volunteered to teach), snowman contest; Tigers trip next year; Super Bowl event; Square Dancing; Night of Music; Triathlon; movies at the island.
- 7.5. Travis Prince kindly volunteered to provide free tickets to a Flint Generals game.
- 7.6. Support was shown for Music Night, Tigers game, Super Bowl event, Square Dancing and movies at the island, and especially the Flint Generals tickets. Less support for the "ice fest" at the meeting, but support is believed to exist around the lake.
- 7.7. Marianne MacDonald conducted the 50/50 Drawing – won by Ivan Quinn who turned his \$75 over as a Fireworks donation. Thanks Ivan.
8. **Drawing for 2009 dues to be waived** – Sage Dooling drew the winning ticket, the winner to have her RLI annual dues waived for 2009 was Julie Dooling. Congratulations Julie.
9. **Other/New Business**
- 9.1. **Boat Ramp** will be open Monday from 12:00 – 2:00 by Dick Lemke. For other use of the ramp members need to call a trustee, with 24 hours notice please.
- 9.2. **Weed control** was discussed. Noted that we are now using more selective materials to treat individual plant species, which may give the impression of spot treatment.
- 9.3. **Fireworks review, and plan for 2009** (Joe Perrera).

- 9.3.1. Schedule of show dates for the next few years was shown. General agreement to try to have the show on the Saturday closest to July 4<sup>th</sup>, with the Sunday as the rain day. Joe Perrera to request Wolverine, the show contractor, for Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009, with rain day as Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.
- 9.3.2. Wolverine's quotes for 2009-2011 were shown, comparisons based on increased costs were to have the same show at ~11% increase cost, or a lesser show for the same cost (\$5,000). The quotes are for 3 years, prices would be on a year to year price basis, but a discount would apply to each year's price for a 3 year contract. After discussion, general agreement to maintain at least the same standard of show for future years. Motion was made by Al Jarosz to raise our base budget (excluding any donations) for fireworks from \$5,000 to \$6,000, seconded by Betty Buchkowski, motion carried. Budget amended accordingly.
- 9.4. **Geese control** – Only 15 geese were rounded up this year, compared with 46 in 2007, the control program is definitely successful. Cost was \$200. Planned again for 2009.
- 9.5. **Web site & email** – Encouraged all members to join the RLI email distribution. The meeting was in agreement with the benefits of email and web site communications.
- 9.6. **Other Business** – none.
10. **Budget review and approval**, following on from §5 above.
  - 10.1. Merle McDonald made the motion to accept the budget as presented with modification to include fireworks at \$6,000 (excluding any donations) (see §8.3.2), seconded by Betty Buchkowski. Motion carried.
11. **Announcements**
  - 11.1. All trustees were re-elected by acclamation.
  - 11.2. Date of Spring General Meeting – Friday, May 22, 2009.
12. **Adjournment** – Joe Perrera made motion to adjourn, seconded by Chris Chauvin. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Lemke, Secretary

Attached: Financial Reports 2008 YTD, 2009 budget.

**Summary of Financial Reports  
2008 YTD and 2009 Budget as approved  
by the Fall 2008 General Membership Meeting**

Revenue		2008 YTD thru 7/16/08			2009								
		Budget	Actual	forecast	Budget								
1	Dues	\$41,405	\$39,337	\$41,405	\$39,185								
12a	Social Committee	\$0	\$228	\$250	\$0								
27	Fish Donations	\$1,000	\$27	\$27	\$0								
18	Interest	\$1,700	\$1,045	\$1,300	\$1,000								
1a	Donations	\$1,000	\$1,117	\$1,117	\$0								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,105</b>	<b>\$41,753</b>	<b>\$44,099</b>	<b>\$40,185</b>								
<b>Expenditures</b>													
2	Printing	\$700	\$283	\$700	\$700								
3	Postage	\$900	\$171	\$900	\$900								
4	P.O. Box Rental	\$50	\$40	\$40	\$50								
5	Membership Meeting	\$440	\$324	\$525	\$525								
7	Aquatic Nuisance	\$11,000		\$11,000	\$11,000								
8	State of Michigan Permits	\$830		\$830	\$830								
9	Hall Rental	\$50	\$100	\$100	\$100								
10	General Supplies	\$275	\$61	\$275	\$300								
12	Social Committee	\$1,000	\$728	\$1,700	\$1,700								
13	Property Repair & Maintenance	\$500	\$49	\$500	\$500								
14	Lake Study	\$1,800		\$1,800	\$300								
15	Liens	\$200	\$14	\$200	\$200								
17	Website, computer hardware, soft	\$250	\$79	\$250	\$250								
19	Fireworks	\$6,000	\$5,664	\$5,664	\$6,000								
20	Property Tax	\$2,000	\$1,368	\$2,000	\$2,000								
22	Consulting	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000								
26	Boat Stickers	\$350	\$301	\$301	\$350								
28	Insurance	\$3,800	\$3,120	\$3,800	\$3,800								
27,29,32	Federal tax, Fish st'king & sales t	\$2,000	\$568	\$2,000	\$2,000								
31	Banking Fees	\$25	\$6	\$25	\$25								
33	Coalition Efforts*	\$0		\$0	\$0								
34	Goose Busters	\$300	\$200	\$200	\$200								
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35,470</b>	<b>\$13,077</b>	<b>\$35,810</b>	<b>\$34,730</b>								
<b>Summary</b>													
	<b>Beginning Balance (Checking &amp; S</b>	<b>\$55,653</b>	<b>\$55,653</b>	<b>\$55,653</b>	<b>\$63,941</b>								
	<b>Ending Balance (Checking &amp; S</b>	<b>\$65,288</b>	<b>\$84,330</b>	<b>\$63,941</b>	<b>\$69,396</b>								
	<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Ass</b>	<b>\$9,635</b>	<b>\$28,677</b>	<b>\$8,289</b>	<b>\$5,455</b>								
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		<b>Riparian</b>	<b>Shared</b>	<b>Ingress</b>	<b>No</b>								
		<b>Class A</b>	<b>riparian</b>	<b>/egress</b>	<b>access</b>								
<b>2009 Dues recommendation</b>			<b>Class B</b>	<b>Class C</b>	<b>Class D</b>								
<b>2009 Dues proposal (same as 2008):</b>		<b>\$155.00</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>								