

Winter Lakes Alliance
Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order by Deb at 10:00
2. Our special speaker for the day was Tom Heisler (DNR game warden)

Tom took time from his extremely busy schedule to address a large group with a variety of concerns. Tom started out by saying that there are a lot of new laws and regulations that can be confusing, so check carefully your DNR booklet. Tom initially noted that without our help his job can be almost impossible.... we all need to be watchful for possible violations that are taking place and letting him know. He may not be there right away but your patience and info can help him to monitor situations.

ISSUES HE SEES AS BIGGEST PROBLEMS:

1. Slow -no wake issues(100 ft. from shore) causes damage to shorelines
2. No lights on boat after dark (remember lights on at sunset)
3. Weeds on trailers

The new "GO WILD" initiative has had some problems.... You can help Tom by carrying your paper license even though it isn't the law....

Most lakes in our Ceded territory have a keep 15" to 20" 20" to 24" have to be returned.... 1 fish over 24" with (3 fish total)

Please also be aware of the new trolling regulations.... 2 lines per boat in most lakes... not 3 lines per person... check your regs...

You can get a hold of Tom (715-492-4240) please be patient... he'll get back to you!

Special thanks to Tom for his time and presentation!!

3. Our treasurer's report showed we are making progress toward our goal of 3000 extended growth walleyes for the year.... this will cost us almost \$5000.... Please help our project by selling or buying some raffle tickets.. if you'd like some let me know and I'll send them to you. We sold almost 600 raffle tickets at the spring fling... special thanks to Jerry for helping to set up the tent and get things ready....Betty our special sales lady did a great job as usual!! Thanks to all who helped out... It was a fun and beneficial day for WLA!!

4. New officers elected by all were Deb as President and Judi as Treasurer.... a very special thanks to them for all the hard and extra work they do for WLA

5. "KIDS FISHING CONTEST" is almost here... it will be held on Saturday June 18th from 10:00 until 12:00.. Set up will be on Lake Winter Road at 7:30 AM... WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!! If you'd like to help please let us know... you can respond by e-mail.... we usually have about 90 kids!

Prizes this year to include:

2-6 fishing rods, life jackets

7-9 rain poncho

10-12 fish cleaning boards, nets

13-15 fishing bags, trout landing nets

Hot dogs, soda will be served..... Thanks grill master Joe

the whole event is free to the public, please bring yourself, your children, grandchildren, neighbors, to a really FUN day!!

6. FLOAT, yes we are having a WLA float for the 4th of July parade. We will be putting it together at Rick and Mary's house on Friday July 1st at 10:00... Rick and Mary will provide the grill and meats... Deb a salad and Judi and Jerry a dessert.. Please let me know if you'd like to come and help and even ride on the float... should be a good time.... We will give out bobbers to the kids along with cool stickers. My address is 7049 Fender Rd... On Barber Lake

7. Next meeting is July 9th... note the week later time.... special speaker for the Day is Max Wolter (DNR fisheries biologist) It should be a great meeting.

8. See you at the kids fishing contest.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Hasselquist
Secretary