

Winter Lakes Alliance
Meeting Minutes
October 9th, 2021

Hi all, hope all is well and plans are getting done now that winter is just around the corner.

Enclosed are updates and meeting minutes for October 9th, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order by Deb at 10:00

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Our special speaker for the day was Tom Heisler (DNR warden) and an additional speaker Darren Jensen (Sawyer County recreation Officer) Tom reported that it was an extremely busy summer with much more activity on area lakes. Fishing seemed to be slow and weed growth high on our area lakes with the warm weather and early warm-up. He did a lot of enforcement on over bagging of fish and boat traffic problems with the high volume of crafts using area waters. Mr. Jensen spent time discussing ordinances and laws and how they are enforced. Ordinances can only be enforced by the town, Sawyer County DA and the Sheriff's office. He can only get involved when state laws are broken. The session was ended by questions and answers. Thanks again for the information provided by both our speakers.

4. Secretary's report from September was shared followed by the treasure report.

5. Old business included our fish stocking. Special thanks to all who helped with the stocking and for our Friends of Hunter Lake and Ron and Fred for setting up a boat landing stocking instead of bucketing the fish on Hunter Lake. Many thanks to Dave at Fish Trap Cove for allowing us to again use his dock to stock on Fishtrap Lake. Water Temperature and conditions seemed to be perfect for stocking and not a floating fish was seen.

6. T-shirt and sweatshirts were reviewed...yes you can still get your orders to me. T-shirts are \$16 and Sweatshirts for \$23. XXL sizes are \$2 more. T-shirt colors are "sky blue" and "ash gray". Sweatshirts are "navy and "ash gray".

7. Still thinking about prizes for next year's raffle. Got Ideas?? let us know. Last year's grand prize was an inflatable fishing Kayak.

8. We will get in touch with Max Wolter concerning tree/Fish Stix project for next year or possible a winter project on the ice. More information as we learn about this exciting project for fish protection and spawning.

9.Help WLA by promoting our projects and stocking with friends, family and neighbors. NEW members are always WELCOME!

10. Questions or comments?? let us know

11.Next meeting is Saturday April 9th, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Hasselquist, Secretary