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DATE: June 11, 2016

<u>TO:</u>	Minong Flowage Association's Board of Directors and Members MFA's 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes	
SUBJECT:		Rev. C
Date:	June 11, 2016	

Time:8:30am to 8:55am – Meet-N-Greet with donuts and beverages. Dues updates available.
9:00am to ~~ 11:00am: 2016's Annual Meeting of the Minong Flowage Assoc.Location:Minong Town Hall – W7095 Nancy Lake Road

Secretary's Report: Bill Peck

• April 16, 2016 minutes (Rev. C) were approved via email on May 20, 2016.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Moline

- Dave reviewed the finance report, accounts and expenditures. Steve made a motion to accept the report, Bill seconded and it was approved on a voice vote.
- Long term finance discussions Dan

MFA Membership Report: Peggy Bruzda

- Peggy reported that we currently have 154 paid-up members, with 7 new members since April.
- It was reported from the crowd that 8-9 years ago we had 220 members with 8 "area captains" responsible for contacting lakeshore owners in their area. Doing this again was raised as a possibility.

MFA Website Report: Bob Budden

- Bob reported that we now have 213 (62% of the 343 Minong Flowage property owners) e-mails that we can send MFA updates to.
- The PayPal program is officially off the ground, with one person using it to pay their dues recently.
- Bob will look at adding a new link on the web page so people can enter volunteer hours.

Special Guests:

- Erik Gulbrandsen Minong Town Constable (Did not attend)
- Ken Weinaug Minong Community Center's Executive Director

Ken discussed the planned Minong Community center, which will be built starting later this year and is expected to be complete later next summer or fall. It will include an aquatics center and fitness center and will be located between Link Recreated and Hwy 53 in Minong. Jack Link is generously providing the money for this project.

• Dave Blumer – Lake Education And Planning Services Gave presentation, see below.

Governors Fishing Opener: Dan Maxwell

- Friday, May 6th = "Expo" at Heartwood Resort & evening banquet = 250 VIP's and media;
- Saturday morning = Fishing "guides & escorts"
- Saturday morning = Governor's boat shadowed by media pontoons and security boats. Dan reported that the governor didn't land any fish but caught his anchor on a stump and had to cut the rope.
- Saturday noon = "Shore lunch" at Pogo's / afternoon = MFA pontoon lake-tours.
- Total weekend event entailed about 800 people.
- We received lots of compliments for fulfilling our roles.

Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APM: 2016-2020): Dave Blumer

- Dave gave a presentation and review of the APM plan aspects as we move forward
- 2016 EWM DNR-bay treatment was discussed
- Minong Flowage Stakeholders meeting will be an annual event in November
- Dave mentioned that possibility of a drawdown with winter of 2017/2018 for EWM control, eliciting some concern from the audience.

Drawdown Topics: Dan Maxwell

- Per the drawdown possibility, Bob Wicklund offered the opinion that the lake and fishing have suffered from the last drawdown and that drawdowns should not be used to control EWM. However, it was pointed out that with future DNR budgets not having the funding for herbicide control if EWM, as expected, gets worse, the a drawdown may be our only feasible option. Dave also pointed out that tree loss and dry wells will most likely not be as much of an issue if it's a winter drawdown.
- Dave introduced his summer intern Heather Wood, who is a student at UWEC.
- Dan reported about the Chippewa Flowage (S.E. of Hayward) as an example of a lake that uses winter drawdowns.
- Research, Pros & Cons funding via DNR grant options t.b.d.

Grants Status:

- AEPP-431-14 (Aquatic Invasive Species Education): Steve reported that the \$23K control grant was approved.
- CBCW-245-16 (Clean Boats / Clean Waters):
 - Wayne reported that 2015's \$3K grant had been closed and that 2016 grant for \$3.6K has been submitted and approved by the WDNR.
 - o The Boy Scouts of America & property owner volunteers will do the monitoring again this year
 - Campground landing: Minong Town Lakes Committee manages via CBCW-258-16
 - In the previous 3 weekends a total of 123 boats had been inspected
- LPT-499-15 (Fish-Sticks): Dan Maxwell
- ACEI-186-16 (Established AIS Control Grant \$23,246.42) Minong Flowage 2016/2017. Dan Maxwell
- ACEI-187-16 (Established AIS Control Grant \$20,599.40) Cranberry Lake/Flowage 2016/2017. Dan Maxwell

On-lake activities: Dan Maxwell

- Citizen Lake Monitoring Ron & Jeanne Brown
- DNR Full lake fish survey throughout 2016
- EWM signs updated at boat-launches
- Buoy placement and management who, what, when, where & why
 - Slow/No wake zones
 - EWM beds
 - o Lake Hazards
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- On-the-lake Summer Workshop: the "lake AIS education event" will likely move from August 27th to August 6th? Focus will be on identifying EWM (Eurasian Water Milfoil) and other AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species).

Regional Associations: Dan Maxwell

- Main communication is via our Newsletter
- Cranberry Lake/Flowage Assoc. Dave Olson
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MFA Board Membership: Dan Maxwell

• Recruiting effort resulted in 3 new board members being recruited to take the places vacated by Steve Johnson and Bill Peck.

- Dave Perrin introduced himself and spoke of where his cabin is located and how many years he's been on the Flowage. Steve nominated him, Dave Moline seconded and Dave Perrin was voted onto the board.

- Joe McGrath then introduced himself and explained his history on the Flowage. Steve nominated him, Jean Johnson seconded and Joe McGrath was voted onto the board.

- Rockne Johnson was not in attendance, but Dan explained his background and nominated him. Bob seconded and Rockne Johnson was voted onto the board.

- A quorum of the Board of Directors subsequently confirmed the 2nd terms for Bob Budden, Dan Maxwell & Wayne Johnson by a unanimous vote.

MFA tentative calendar: Dan Maxwell

- June 11, 2016 MFA Annual Meeting
- August 6, 2016 AIS Education Event (tentative date was August 27th)
- October 8, 2016 MFA Board Mtg. (tentative date)
 - Season Review
 - o 2017 outlook
- November, 2016 Minong Flowage Stakeholders meeting
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- January 28, 2017 MFA Board Mtg. (tentative date)
 - AIS planning
 - Summer activities planning)
 - April 22, 2017 MFA Board (tentative date)
 - Planning for MFA 2017 Annual Meeting)
- June 10, 2017 MFA 2017 Annual Meeting
- August 26, 2017 AIS Education Event (tentative date)
- October 7, 2017 MFA Board Mtg. (tentative date)
 - o Season Review
 - 2018 outlook
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Loose Ends:

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Post-Meeting

- Informal discussions
- Q & A