

# LAKE COCHRANE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## \*MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

June 14, 2008 The meeting was called to order by Phil Kooima at 7:00 p.m. The agenda for the meeting was approved as printed on the handouts at the tables.

**Introduction of Guests and Thank yous** - Thank you to David Peterson for the use of his shed for the annual meeting; to the nominating committee comprised of Marianne Beebout, Carol Haaland, and Hank Schulze; to the water quality testing committee comprised of Lennis Baumiller, Larry Burlingame, Rod Viessman, Dan Haaland, Wade Gubrud, and Brian Gunderson. Introduction of guests – Dave Bartling, Deuel Co. Conservation Officer for Game, Fish, and Parks; David German guest speaker from South Dakota State University; and John Bauer who served as parliamentarian for the meeting.

**Secretary's Report** – read by Jane Gubrud – approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report** – read by Anna Baumiller – approved as read. (see below dated 6/13/2008)

Checking .....	3,473.02
Savings.....	2,798.85
Petty Cash.....	1.17
Total Assets.....	6,273.04

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### Committee Reports

1. Safety – Kari Scott reported that Jamie Hintz was contacted with the Deuel Co. Hwy. Dept. in regards to signage about children being present around the lake. There will be signs put up around the lake. A reminder to everyone that there are to be no motorized vehicles on the walking path by Lake Oliver at any time. There is still a group working on a walking path with a couple of plans one being a path from Gary to the lake and one around the lake.
2. Walking Path – included in the safety report.
3. Mosquito Control – John Bauer reported that several road blocks have been encountered in having wide spread spraying around the lake. The board is still exploring the possibility of some type of widespread mosquito control. Until such is done, individuals are recommended to spray their own home and take measures to eliminate places where mosquitoes can breed and live.
4. Zoning and County Commissions – Phil Kooima reported for Merl Hamak that a Merl has been attending as many meetings as possible to hear requests and give input when asked.
5. Agricultural Issues – Harvey Wollum reported that currently the committee is seeking ways to protect the watershed and prevent run-off as much as possible. There is a possibility of funding from groups that may help to add buffer strips to land that is adjoining to the lake and its tributaries or holding ponds.
6. Water Monitoring – Wade Gubrud reported that the committee has been conducting extensive testing of locations in Lake Oliver and Lake Cochrane as well as all inlets/outlets and tributaries since the first run off this spring. The group is working with Paul Lorenzen from the SD DENR to ensure adequate data is

gathered and quantified in a manner that will be helpful for the association and its members. A map with preliminary phosphorus testing results and total suspended solids was handed out and more information can be obtained from the association web site which is [www.lakecochrane.org](http://www.lakecochrane.org). Jane Gubrud reported that the board has applied for a grant through the state of South Dakota which would help offset some of the costs associated with the testing and the association received \$4,460.00 from this grant. One of the main components of the grant is an education piece so members of the association and homeowners will be asked to participate in a survey and will be receiving pertinent information regarding best practices in regards to water quality. The grant is a great step in the right direction; however, for the testing to continue and adequate data to be gathered, the association is asking for any donations from individual and/or groups that could be earmarked for such activities. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Anna Baumiller, association treasurer.

7. Tornado Sirens - Jay Gislason reported that the sirens are up and they are working. They are controlled by the county and are set off when severe weather is detected by spotters and/or radar. The committee would like to add another siren and will check to see if there is funding available for such; however, they would accept donations of any form to begin the process of making the lake a safer place to be. The cost of one siren is approx. \$7,000.00 +.
8. Web Page – Travis Nordgaard reported that the web page is up and running and efforts are being made to keep it current and applicable to viewers. The web address is [www.lakecochrane.org](http://www.lakecochrane.org) and everyone is encouraged to check it out.

### Old Business

- **Fishing Derby Report** – Wade Gubrud reported that another successful event was held and 35 kids participated with 65 fish being caught (and released) in the one hour of fishing. A big thank you to Dave Bartling, Kari and Steve Scott, Mark Oswald, and Russ Eng who helped with the derby. Also thank you to derby sponsors, Wal-Mart of Brookings and Watertown, Jim’s Market of Canby, Holly Gunderson, and SDGF&P.
- **Ditch Clean Up Report** – Kari Scott reported that the clean up day was not held due to poor weather conditions (mainly snow covered ditches in April) but plans are being made to try again next year with a weather date scheduled. Thank you to Hank and Sandi Schulze who have been spotted consistently walking and picking up trash around the lake.

### New Business

- **Dave Bartling of SDGF&P** – reported that the Lake Oliver outlet is closed on June 15th and opened Oct. 15th according to state law and it is built to allow some flow of water if the level is higher than then outlet gate. He also discussed the need for a variance to be written for docks that are longer than 60 ft. He will be going to each cabin and visiting with the homeowner about the variance. The regulations are posted on the front page of the web site – [www.lakecochrane.org](http://www.lakecochrane.org). The marina that is being constructed will also be following the general dock guidelines that all homeowners abide by.
- **Upcoming Events** – Carol Gorder spoke about the walk/run scheduled for July 12th; a boat parade will be held if someone is interested in chairing the event; and rummage sale day is Aug. 2nd if someone is willing to chair that event.

Hanard Lien moved and Carol Gorder seconded a motion to pay David Peterson the usual fee for the use of his shed – motion passed.

**Election of Officers** – positions up for election are seats held by Terry Haas(not seeking re-election); Jay Gislason (can not run due to term limit); and Mark Oswald (running for re-election). Candidate introductions were held and ballots cast – new board members are: Ken Bruns, Scott Jessen and Mark Oswald.

Door prize drawings were held for Lake Cochrane Outfitters t-shirts and the meeting was adjourned by Russ Eng and seconded by Hanard Lien – passed.

Following the association meeting the newly elected board members met briefly to elect officers. The officers are: Phil Kooima, President; Russ Eng, Vice President; Jane Gubrud, Secretary; Anna Baumiller, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted – Jane Gubrud, LCIA Secretary