

Greetings from Pine Lake

Greetings from the Board . . .

It was great to see a good turnout at the Quarterly Meeting on May 23, 2015. Thank you to all who attended.

Some of the most important concerns among persons in attendance were issues involving the dam. On a scale of 1 to 10, the dam has recently been placed on a Level 4. Considering the age of the dam, the Town of Hiles has begun the process to replace the present structure; however, an anticipated date for completion of this project is fall of 2019 or 2020, after the tourist season. Meanwhile, annual inspections will be required, and weight loads will be specified. The estimated cost for the new structure and road repairs is \$500,000.

The water level of the lake was another concern of residents. Commissioner Karl Tauer, who is also Town Chairman, explained that the Town of Hiles has the responsibility to maintain the required elevation of Pine Lake according to standards set by the state DNR. The Lake Association is not responsible for the dam or any projects involving it. Any future concerns regarding water levels of Pine Lake are to be brought to the attention of the Town of Hiles.

Pine Lake Commissioners

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You can contact us at the Pine Lake District web site:

<http://www.pinelakedistrict.org>

Clean Boats – Clean Waters

The Association has been awarded a \$4,000 grant from the DNR to continue the program for Clean Boats Clean Waters. Paul Johnson and Dave Houle will again be checking boats as they enter and leave the lake at the campgrounds, but additional volunteers are always needed. Interested persons should contact Greyling Brandt at the Laona Ranger Station.

Through this program last year, 125 boats were inspected over the July 4th weekend alone, while over 2,000 boats were checked during the boating season. Clean Boats Clean Waters helps keep invasive species out of Pine Lake and prevents them from being carried to other bodies of water. Also, additional volunteers are needed to help the Forest Service maintain the campground. Interested persons should contact Greyling Brandt at the Laona Ranger Station at 715-674-2545, or by email at gbrandt@fs.fed.us

Rummage Sale Coming Up !

Spring time is house cleaning time! This is the perfect opportunity to get rid of those household items that have not been used and are just taking up space. The Town of Hiles has planned an area Rummage Sale for Saturday, June 20th. This is your chance to make a little extra money. Place a sign or balloon on your mailbox or near your driveway, and join the sale! This will be an all-day event. It starts early and ends late.

Watch for the Buoys

A reminder to all boaters: the rock marker buoys are placed to indicate a rock area and may **not** be directly above the rock itself. Please use caution when in these **areas**.

Remember to visit our website for the latest information on Meetings, Records, Contact Information, and Important Links.

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Plant Harvesting

This is the third year of our Lake Plan to control invasive plants. Ed Walder of Lake Renewal Company will again be responsible for the weed cutting. An initial cutting date in early July has been scheduled, although weather conditions will dictate any changes in this time. According to the DNR permit, we are allowed to cut only eighty-seven acres. Watch for Ed and be sure to welcome him when he comes your way.

Spring Die Out

Numbers of dead bass were found on the shores of Pine Lake in early spring. The DNR and the Fish Biologist collected specimens from different areas of the lake to evaluate and determine the cause of the die out. The complete analysis is a lengthy procedure. Results will be published as soon as the Board receives any information.

Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Annual Meeting on July 11th beginning at 9:00 in the Hiles Town Hall. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. Coffee and sweets will be served. It is important to be present as decisions are being made. Bring your friends and neighbors; volunteer your time and talents. See you there!

Please mark your calendars!

Annual Meeting on Saturday,
July 11th at 9:00 am at the Hiles
Town Hall.

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Open Position

One Commissioner's position will be up for election at the next Annual Meeting on July 11th. In addition to participating in lake activities, a Board Commissioner must be available for Quarterly Meetings and the Annual Meeting in July. Anyone interested in becoming an active Board member should contact Chairman Kloehn.

Pine Lake Water Quality Results for 2014

The final results of water quality monitoring for 2014 are complete and summarized below.

2014

From mid May to early October water clarity was sampled 14 times, ranging from 3.50 to 7.75 feet. The best reading was early October at 7.75 feet and the worst was early July at 3.50 feet. The average summer (July-Aug) Secchi disk reading was 4.34 feet compared to 2.6 feet last year. Overall, water quality was steady the entire season. It was good to see that there were no major algae outbreaks. Another late ice out in 2014, the ice went out May 8th versus May 3rd the previous year.

Phosphorus was sampled in April, June, July and August and Chlorophyll was sampled in June, July and August. Phosphorus readings were 27, 21, 33 and 26 PPB (parts per billion) respectively. All the samples were much lower than last year. According to the WIDNR, lakes with readings above 30 may experience noticeable algae blooms. The corresponding Chlorophyll readings were 22, 11 and 17 PPB with the threshold for Chlorophyll at 20. Two of the three Chlorophyll samples were also lower than last year.

2014 vs 2013.....

The 2014 summer average (July-Aug) Secchi reading increased to 4.34 feet compared to 2.64 feet in 2013.

The 2014 summer average (July-Aug) for Phosphorus decreased to 29.6 PPB compared to 43.4 in 2013.

The 2014 summer average (July-Aug) for Chlorophyll decreased to 13.7 PPB compared to 37.5 in 2013.

2015

This year we begin the 15th consecutive year of monitoring water clarity and chemistry on Pine Lake. See below for summer average (July – Aug) water clarity data thru 2014.....

Pine Lake News

Spring
2015

Pine Lake

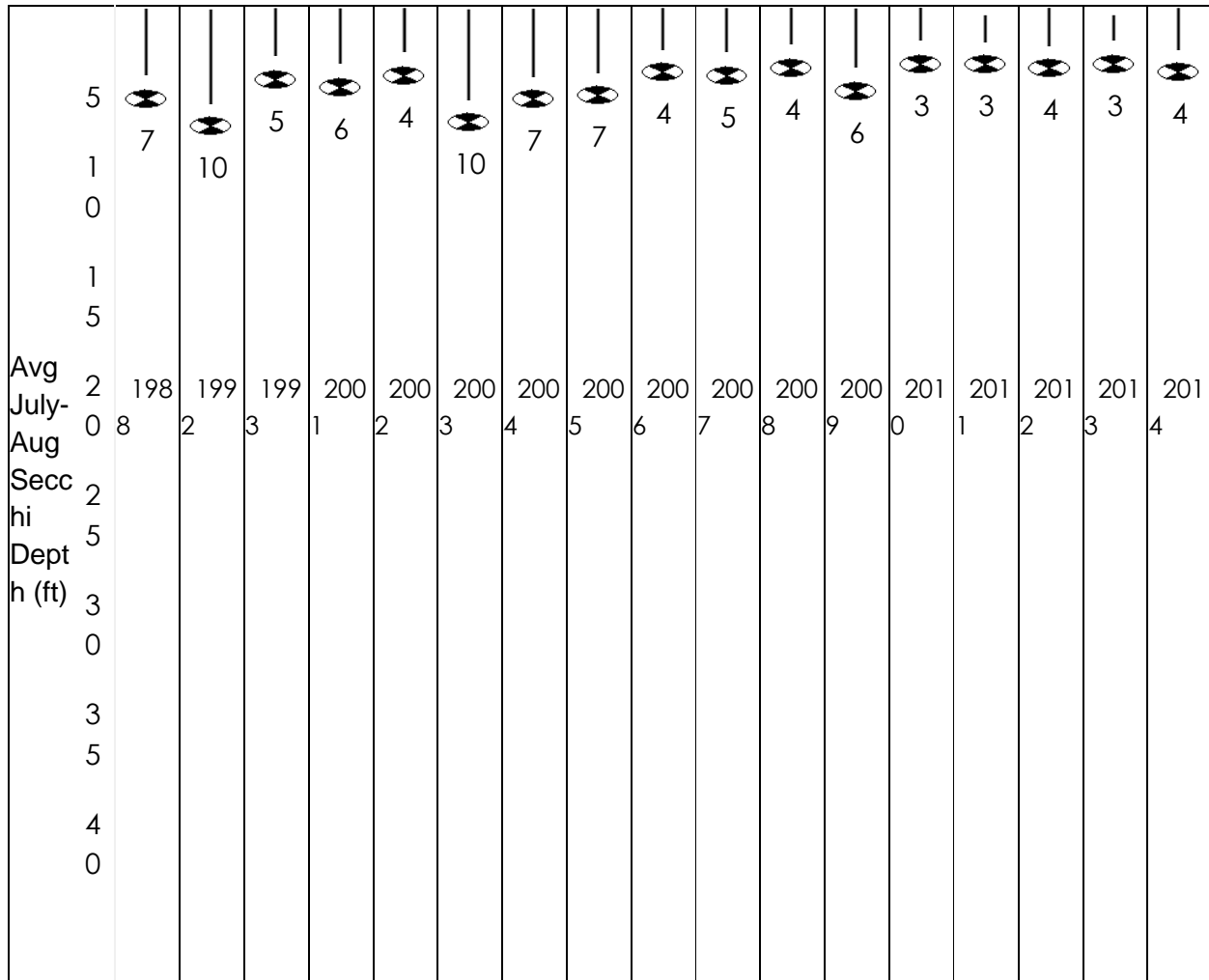
Lake Type: DRAINAGE

Forest County

DNR Region: NO

Waterbody Number: 406900

GEO Region:NE



If you have internet access, you can view the results of 2014 sampling in detail along with all the data from the past years by going to the following address on the WIDNR website:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/CLMN/Station.aspx?station=3880>

Jerry Wolf

CLMN Volunteer/Pine Lake

Treasurer's Report – 2015 Proposed Budget

PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT					
PROPOSED 2016 BUDGET					
					Proposed
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Est. Actual	Budget
	2014	2014	2015	2015	2016
REVENUE					
Tax Assessment	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
Interest Income	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
CBCW Grant Income	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Other Income					
TOTAL REVENUE	\$34,200	\$34,200	\$34,200	\$34,200	\$34,200
EXPENDITURES					
Administration	\$7,000	\$6,400	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
CBCW	\$5,000	\$9,000	\$8,000	\$7,200	\$7,200
Dredging Study	\$10,000	\$23,250	\$16,000*	\$18,250	
Fish Stocking			\$5,000		
Plant Harvesting	\$13,000	\$13,500	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
Transfer to TFA	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Other					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$40,000	\$57,150	\$56,000	\$52,450	\$34,200
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$5,800)	(\$22,950)	(\$21,800)	(\$18,250)	\$0
Cash Balances Beginning of Year					
Checking Account		\$14,433		\$ 2,153	\$5,591
Money Market Account		\$129,716		\$ 117,981	\$105,000
Tax Freedom Account MM		\$20,142		\$ 25,062	\$30,450
Tax Freedom Account CD		\$69,000		\$ 70,000	\$70,000
Total		\$233,291		\$215,196	\$211,041
Cash Balances End of Year					
Checking Account		\$ 2,153		\$5,591	\$5,591
Money Market Account		\$ 117,981		\$105,000	\$100,000
Tax Freedom Account MM		\$ 25,062		\$30,450	\$35,450
Tax Freedom Account CD		\$ 70,000		\$70,000	\$70,000
Total		\$ 215,196		\$211,041	\$211,041
CASH INCREASE/(DECREASE)		(\$18,095)		(\$4,155)	\$0

Fishing Tournaments and Permits

Pine Lake has long been a favorite fishing spot for many sportsmen. Each year various fishing events are held. The Board is reminding anyone who will be conducting a fishing tournament on Pine Lake and using the Forest Service boat landing to obtain a special use permit from the Forest Service. In addition, under certain conditions, a DNR permit is also required.

Fishing tournaments in Wisconsin are regulated by the DNR. If you plan on participating in a Fishing Tournament please be aware of certain rules that may subject you to a fine if the Tournament has not received a DNR Permit. Permits are required for any one of the following reasons:

- The tournament involves 20 or more boats, or 100 or more participants;
- The tournament targets any trout species on waters classified as trout streams;
- The tournament is a catch-hold-release tournament with an off-site weigh-in;
- The total prize value is \$10,000 or greater, or
- The tournament will have fewer than 20 boats but you want to allow participants to cull bass.

However, you do **not** need a permit if **either** of the following apply:

- The tournament is regional in nature and specific waters to be fished are not identified
- Tournament participants are not required to register or are identified in any manner prior to fishing in the tournament

To apply for a permit go to the DNR web site:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/tournaments/application.html>

Permits must be applied for 30 days in advance of the Tournament.

As of this Newsletter no permits have been issued for Pine Lake for 2016.

Watch for These Dumpsters

A dumpster has been added to the Town Dump recently for the specific purpose of collecting old furniture. Only furniture can be added to that dumpster; no other waste materials will be accepted in that container. Outdated and broken electronics can be disposed of at the Forest County DPW on Saturday, August 1st, 2015. Depending on the item, there will be a minimal charge of a few dollars for depositing old TV sets, computers, appliances, or any other electronic devices.

This is an all-out-effort to keep our landscape clean. Please support the Town by bringing your throw-a-ways to these locations.

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