

## Turtle Lake Watershed Inc. Minutes

**Saturday, April 30, 2011**  
**Turtle Lake Mission**

**Board Attendees:** B. Gourlay, J. Cameron, J. Range, N. Range, G. Rozdilsky, B. Lukan, G. Polinsky, Court Peddle, Louis Brossaer, Terry Kotyk, Peter van Ginneken

**Guests:** Colleen Reddekopp, Trent Rafuse – Conservation Officers, Ministry of Environment

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

President Jim Range opened the meeting and welcomed the members and visitors. After introductions Jim reviewed the agenda and asked for any additional items. None were presented.

Bob Gourlay read the minutes from the August 28, 2011 Board meeting and asked for errors or omissions. One error was noted and corrected. Bob motioned the minutes be adopted as corrected. Seconded by Nancy Range. Carried by a show of hands.

### **Financial Report**

Bob Gourlay reported that the TLWI bank account as of March 31, 2011 was \$10,320.03.

Bob moved the financial report be adopted as read and discussed. John Cameron seconded, motion carried by a show of hands.

### **Business arising from minutes**

There was a discussion about plans to conduct a telephone survey of lake shore property owners over the winter. Bob reported that he was unable to organize a survey and Nancy Range reported that student volunteers did not appear to be interested in conducting a telephone survey.

### **New Business**

#### **Q & A session with Area Conservations Officers**

Area Conservation Officers Colleen Reddekopp and Trent Rafuse reported on a number of topics impacting the lake and community. Going forward, one of their regular duties will be to video tape the current shoreline of Turtle Lake to create a reference to resolve disputes when development activities are conducted without permits. Also ATVer's and Quad Rallies continue to cause damage in the provincial forest and enforcement will be stepped up. They reported that regular checks of anglers are showing an increasing number of people fishing without licenses. Nuisance bears in the resort communities is also high on their priorities and they will be meeting with hamlet boards to discuss strategies. Bob Gourlay requested that he be contacted when the conservation officers stock Turtle Lake with fingerlings, so he can take photographs and write an article for the TLWI website.

### **Presentation of Forest Harvest Operations in the Four Mile Creek Area**

Bob Gourlay conducted a Power Point presentation outlining his visit with the Divide Forest Advisory Committee and their tour of the 2011 Forest Harvest Operations in the Four Mile Creek area.

### **2011 Annual General Meeting**

It was agreed that the 2011 TLWI – Annual General Meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, July 23 at the Turtle Lake Mission. Lunch will be included, and John Cameron volunteered to make arrangements with the Mission to rent the chapel and organize lunch.

A number of keynote speakers were suggested that included Keith Folkerson, Municipal Planner for the RMs of Parkdale & Mervin, Husky Oil, Search & Rescue, the CO's re: Nuisance Bears and Mitigation Strategies, which included posting information on the TLWI website. Terry Kotyk volunteered to approach Husky Oil to see if someone could come and speak to their plans in the Turtle Lake area.

### **2011 Program Ideas**

- Increase the distribution of the "On the Living Edge" handbook.
- Order 5 cases for distribution at Hamlet AGMs
- TL Cleanup set for week of July 1-7, George Rozdilsky will arrange for posters and bags.
- Board reps to change boar launch sign message
- Shoreline signage required at Aspen Cove, Court Peddle to make arrangements with Jim Range.

**The meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.**

### **Next Board Meeting**

Saturday, June 18, 2011  
10:00 A.M. – Noon  
Turtle Lake Mission