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Hello,

The summer has zipped past and I am behind on sending out the minutes for the annual meeting. The minutes are attached. Please let me know if you have questions about them.

This summer there were reports of unusual plants near two residents' shorelines. Fortunately, with the help of Matt Berg identifying these plants they turned out to be plants that are native to our lake. Two things are important about these events: 1) folks are reporting unusual plants that they see. This is very good. Eurasian Water Milfoil was discovered by one of our lake residents years ago. Reporting something that is unusual to you will always be appreciated. 2) When these plants are found, take a picture of them in the water, if you can or on shore and send them to any of the Board members for identification.

I am including a brochure that shows Eurasian Water Milfoil which is the most likely invasive that you will see.

Since zebra mussels (picture attached) have been found in Big McKenzie in Burnett County (near the Western border of Washburn County), we need to be watchful for any signs of them in Horseshoe Lake. As you take out your dock look for them attached to it or on your water craft. Horseshoe Lake most likely does not provide an environment that will support zebra mussels but we want to be vigilant about them nevertheless. Again, please report anything unusual. You should also question your service provider for dock and boat removal to determine if they are using equipment that has been in the McKenzie chain of lakes.

One last item—many of you have paid your dues for 2017. Thank you. For those of you, who have not yet paid your dues, please send them to me. Checks should be payable to Horseshoe Lake Property Association, Inc., 11895 Dunkirk Circle NE, Blaine, MN 55449. Dues are \$50.00 but additional contributions are fully tax deductible as are your dues.

