

June 7, 2015

Friends,

Another summer on the lake has begun. Let's hope we don't have another hail storm like we had last September—a lot of property damage. The water levels on the lake are at their highest in the last 15 years. This means that we must be careful when operating water craft near the shore to prevent shoreline erosion and prevent stirring phosphorus (creates algae bloom) up from the lake bottom. As reminder, the no wake zones are 100 feet for boats and pontoons and 200 feet for personal watercraft. All water craft must maintain no wake operation when in the channel. Be sure your guests are aware of these rules when they operate watercraft on Horseshoe Lake.

As you will recall, Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) has re-occurred on the lake. We have contracted with Matt Berg for the 2015 season to conduct three meandering shoreline surveys to identify additional beds of EWM. Matt plans to make his first survey on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Based on the amount of EWM Matt finds, we will likely treat the beds that he finds.

Citizen Lake Monitoring: Kris Carlton, Laurie Johnson and Mike Durand will continue to collect data for the WDNR SWIMS database this summer.

The Board of Directors met on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. In addition to discussing the EWM situation, the Board decided to hold our annual Association meeting on September 5<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 at the Minong Town Hall since our usual meeting time on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend has the 4<sup>th</sup> falling on Saturday. September 5<sup>th</sup> is the Saturday of Labor Day weekend.

We will have a boat parade on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July at 2:00 pm. The rally point will be the same as last year on the east side of the channel. Mark Witmer will be the Grand Marshall this year.

The Board is looking for new Board member since Mark Reeves, former President of the Association, sold his property. We can always use more participation. Please let Ed Wink know if you are interested in serving or questions about being a Board member.

Rather than wait until the annual meeting to collect member dues, the Board asks you to send your \$50.00 membership dues now. Please make your checks payable to the Horseshoe Lake Property Association, Inc. Amounts greater than \$50.00 will be greatly appreciated as we may have more expenses this year due to possible treatment for EWM. Send your checks to Ed Wink at: Horseshoe Lake Property Association, Inc., 11895 Dunkirk Circle NE, Blaine, MN 55449. This is a new address as he moved this spring.

See you on the lake!

Board of Directors  
Horseshoe Lake Property Association, Inc.