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## August 8, 2024 LGCC Meeting (Refuge Golf Club)

President Becky Ridge welcomed all members and visitors. Board Members in attendance were Becky, Birdie, Tami, Vicky Pat and Perry. A total of 32 members were in attendance.

Our guest speaker Matt Anderson, Oak Grove Public Works provided an overview of our sewer systems around Lake George. The sewer plant opened in 2006. Those that are on the sewer system have septic tanks that overflow to the system. The wastewater is treated to bring it to drinking water standards before putting it into the drainfields. There are 99 homes and 52 apartments on the system. Homeowners own their tank and the city contracts to pump it every three years. Matt asked that people do not use bleach and do not flush paper towels, baby wipes, cleaning wipes and flushable wipes are not really flushable in a septic system. The capacity is 26,000 gallons per day and typically it runs at 17,000 gallons with lower use in the winter.

Lake Report/Tom Rotramel: Lake Level Monitoring Gauge was installed near Rotramel's dock on May 16, 2024 with an initial reading of 1.24. By May month end we had increased to 1.36 and June month end 1.78. The gauge reading hit its highest reading on 6/23 at 1.88 due to 7.66 inches of rain during that month. July recorded an additional 2.66 inches of rain but the water level had receded to a reading of 1.32 month end. This far for August we have recorded 3.92 inches of rain and the water level has risen to a reading of 1.54. This represents three tenths of a foot (3.6 inches) rise of the lake level since the initial reading in mid-May.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Tami reported as of July 31, 2024 the available balance was \$12,537.00 with expenditures during the month of \$296.00

<u>Loon Update:</u> Larry reported that no loons nested on the lake this year. The nests were abandoned and it appears there are seven long term loons currently on the lake.

<u>Roadside Cleanup</u>: Liz Gerdin will be heading up the roadside cleanup scheduled for September 28th. The backup date is October 5. Watch your email for more information about this community service event.

<u>Annual Picnic:</u> The annual picnic was held with 51 people in attendance. See all of the details and photos on the Lake George Conservation Club website. <a href="https://www.lakegeorgemn.org/">https://www.lakegeorgemn.org/</a>

<u>Lake George Improvement District (LGID):</u> LGID Annual Meeting is on Tuesday, August 20, 6:00-8:00 pm at Oak Grove City Hall, 19900 Nightingale St NW. The guest speaker is Charlie Sawdey, Certified Wetlands Professional, Minnesota Native Landscapes. There will be a business meeting, the sharing of

the annual report, the presentation and approval of the budget for 2025, and the election of officers. The LGID is funded by a \$200 assessment on your Anoka County Taxes and it also receives funding from the City of Oak Grove and the MN DNR. The position of recording secretary received no applicants, so the board will be using Timesavers to record meeting minutes. The Lake George Parkway Extension park proposal has been addressed by the Oak Grove Park Commission. The property has been surveyed to establish property lines, the park rules will be established and shoreline management on lake access will be addressed later this fall.

The door prize winner was Steve Faherty.

**Upcoming Events:** September 12, 2024- Lake George CC meeting at the Refuge September 28, 2024 Roadside cleanup-Backup date is October 5, 2024