

# WBTL Association Meeting Minutes

Date: July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, YMCA Camp Meeting hosted by Marty Noonan

Call to order by Marty Noonan, President at 8:30 am.

Marty hosted the meeting in person at the Y Camp with 30 people present.

He called for any guests to be introduced and welcomed the Trustee's and other attendees. Agenda's, Financial Reports, and other committee reports were sent out via e-mail to the list of lake residents who signed up to receive e-mail on this year's membership forms.

Guests introduced: There was no guests this month.

## Secretary's Report

The Secretary report was presented by Brian Stugelmayer & was moved to be approved by Dave Nelson & seconded by Mark Jacobson.

## Treasurer's Report

### Financial reports

- For June, major expenses were Clean Boats Clean Waters \$655 (Printing if Wake Responsibility Flyers), July 4th Expenses \$1224, Liability Insurance \$1771 (Pontoon insurance cost was \$115)
- On the income side, we have received over \$22,000 in membership dues compared to \$21,000 last year.
- Checking balances June 30 were \$17,775 at Westconsin and \$3,000 at Bremer. I will be closing the Bremer checking account before the annual meeting. For all of our cash accounts we stand at \$129,000.

### Flares

- Please turn in your flare money and forms at the meeting on Saturday. If you are unable to do so then get the money to me as soon as possible.
- A total of 46 cases were picked up to be sold by trustees.
- So far \$1385 has been turned in.

## President's Report

The President's report followed the agenda items:

Light up the Lake & Fireworks: Both went very well. Marty flew over and got some very good pictures.

Balsam Lake Water Ski Show: is set for today, July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm at Waterside's Bay.

Marty included a letter in the Lake Scene and it will be posted online on the LWBT Assoc website about Boat operations & safety. Marty also mentioned that the Polk County Sheriff's response was to take pictures and send them in and they will take it from there. There isn't enough man power to be on every lake every minute of the day. Most of this is educating people that live on the lake and visitors that come to the lakes for boating and recreation.

August General Membership Meeting & Election is on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:30 am. This is our yearly meeting, the agenda, past minutes, and committee reports will be sent out ahead of time. Elections for positons will be talked about in Nominating Committees report below.

Email Committee Reports are due the Friday before the following weeks Saturday meeting each month.

## Committee Reports

**Lake Management:** Mark Jacobsen reported that there was nothing to report for this month's meeting.

**Lake Harvester:** Harvesting is complete and the equipment is out of the water and at the Sanitary District.

Here are the load numbers for both lakes:

LAKE	2021	2020
Wapogasset	54	80
Bear Trap	18	16
Total	72	96

Progress is being made in reducing weeds in Wapo but we need to be very aggressive in Bear Trap in 2022.

The harvester is aging and some of the operating equipment needs to be replaced. Fortunately, the costs are minor.

Next year, Denny Badman and his crew have some ideas to be even more efficient.

**Polk County Healthy Lakes Grant:** Mike Seidle said that he has identified possibly 2 families that might want to apply for this.

**AIS Monitoring:** Dave Millard said the Zebra Mussel plates have been clean. We have a lot cleaner and clearer water lately.

**Lake Monitoring:** Ryan Hanson presented the Lake Monitoring activities and he explained the June monitoring of the lakes took place on 6/22, a sunny day with 5-10 mph winds. The water color was beautiful. The water temperature was about 5.5 degrees cooler over last year at the same time. The Secchi disc reading in Wapo was 1' less than a year ago and in Bear Trap it was 3.5' greater. The lake level at the dam was 3.80, compared to 3.90 at the same time last year. This is the lowest lake level on record since 2014. Thanks to Mark Jacobson, and Phil Smith for assisting with the monitoring.

Wapogasset

	6/22/21	6/28/20	6/25/19
Temp at 3'	71.6	77.0	71.3
Temp at 30'	58.7	60.7	58.2
Temp difference	12.9	16.3	13.1
DO at 3'	7.9	10.0	8.8
DO at 9'	7.7	10.4	8.1
DO at 15'	7.3	8.7	8.2
DO at 30'	0.2	0.2	0.3
Secchi disc	9'	10'	14'

Bear Trap

	6/22/21	6/28/20	6/25/19
Temp at 3'	71.7	77.2	70.5
Temp at 20'	63.5	65.0	57.5
Temp difference	8.2	12.2	13.0
DO at 3'	8.0	9.3	8.8
DO at 9'	7.9	9.8	8.7
DO at 15'	7.4	5.0	6.2
DO at 20'	0.7	0.2	0.2
Secchi disc	14.5'	11'	16'

**Clean Boats / Clean Water:** Rick Bazille reported and said that Boat Landing numbers are as of June 27. Hours Worked 83.5 - Boats In 316 - Boats Out 235 - People Contacted 1,304

Sanitation Station update: I attended the PCLAR meeting on June 16. After discussion, a vote was held and decision made to recommend the county pass an ordinance requiring use of Sanitation Stations, if present at a landing. 8 people voted. 7 voted to approve. I voted uncertain. After much thought I do not think we will be able to manage a station at any of our landings. Therefore am dropping the issue. If two or more people disagree, we will form a committee to further study the issue.

SIDE NOTE FROM MEETING: The first zebra mussel was found in Deer Lake in 2016. Until this year the spread was considered slow. This year it has mushroomed. I Will not be able to attend the Annual Meeting this year. Will give a final report at the September meeting.

**Neighborhood Watch:** Joel Anderson gave a report on in which he mentioned that a lake resident had their pontoon motor stolen off their boat while it was docked at their dock. Authorities have been notified. Tips to Prevent Boat Theft:

Boats kept on trailers are tempting targets for someone looking for a quick steal. To help make your boat less appealing, consider:

- Storing the boat and trailer in a locked garage, mini-storage warehouse, or secured boat storage facility. If you can't store the boat and trailer in your garage, keep it in your yard, out of sight; turn the trailer so that the "nose" faces in rather than out. If you have to store the boat and trailer in a carport or driveway, park a vehicle in front of the trailer so that it makes it harder for a thief to move your boat.
- Taking off at least one wheel from the trailer, if you store your boat outside.
- Using a high-security chain and quality lock to secure the boat and trailer to a tree, post, or other fixed object.
- Purchasing and using a trailer hitch lock.
- Buying a trailer that has a removable forward part of the tongue.

Once the boat and trailer are secure, make sure to store your boat equipment in a secure place as well. If you have an outboard Motor, it is a good idea to lock it to the boat or store it in another safe place. The same goes for electronics. The best thing to do is remove valuable and easily transportable electronics from the boat. If you want to keep these items on the boat, be sure to keep them out of sight and locked away.

**Community Relations** report was given by Karen Ohm reported that it was a hot July 4th weekend filled with wonderful activities. The concert in the bay, flares, and fireworks July 3<sup>rd</sup>, the 39th Annual WBT runs, July 4th, drew almost 100 runners, walkers, and dogs. All received a medal for finishing keeping close contact down without an awards ceremony. Any extra medals will be recycled and used next year. The current organizers are looking for another group to run the event and there is a family interested! After 39 years I am "retiring" from this event. If anyone would like to carry on this tradition let me know. I am happy to order the awards and loan you the megaphone. -The Boat Parade had a low enrollment but high quality of floats. The results were posted after the parade and all the awards are at the Marina for pick up.

1st place- Camp Bear Trap / 2nd place- Floating Farm / 3rd place- Bear Trap Bedrock / 4th place Surfin U.S.A.

All others posted on the web site. All families received a trophy and a gift certificate to the Marina or the Waterside.

**Sunshine Club** was reported by Lee Ann Overman and she said that she sent out 4 cards since the June meeting. Trustees need to let her know if you have anyone new moving into your neighborhood, anyone with illnesses, sickness, life changes, or anything that you would think they would need a LWBT Association card.

**Ways & Means committee** has nothing new to report this month.

### **Membership**

As of July 6 we had 488 paid members. Current numbers by membership level:

- Gold 127 - Silver 101 - Bronze 91 - Basic 169 - Total 488

- If you have any updates to names or addresses for the directory, the last day to get those to me is Friday July 16. Also, that's the last date a paid membership will be noted with the asterisk in the directory listings.

- If anyone needs more owner notice signs or blank membership forms, I have some with me and you can pick them up after the meeting.

- 100% Membership:

• Jim & Julie Andersen • Joel Anderson • Merl Gust • Ed Hagen • Mark Jacobson • Juanita Seidl • Don Springer

**Communications:** Jim Andersen spoke about Communications Report & thanked all that helped this year on all of the following:

### **WBT Fall Directory 2022**

The close date is July 12 th, and we are expecting the last few to confirm shortly. We have 30 some out of 40 signed up to date. Production will soon start, and Doug Drake is planning on closing out the membership list soon, so get your paid-up members to him to be included as soon as possible.

### **Lake Scene**

The deadline for the next issue for input is July 22 for information to Kathy, the break down will occur Friday July 30 and Distribution on Saturday July 31.

### **Photo Contest**

We have several entries, and the close date is July 16 th , 2021. See inside the back cover of the Lake Directory or Lake Scene for details. Our last meeting the idea of using Instagram to communicate was brought up and we will investigate and see if we can utilize this communication media. Thanks, Wendy Jo Miller for your input.

Thanks to all our lake residents who help us with the communications committee work!

**Nominating Committee** was talked about by Dave Nelson as to which he mentioned the following positions that will be nominated and voted on at the Annual meeting in August. There will be some positions changing this year since some of them have served the term limits for each one. Here is the names in the positions and the ones that will be brought up at Annual August meeting:

- President – Marty Noonan
- 1<sup>st</sup> VP – Mark Jacobson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Jerry Haug
- Secretary – Brian Stugelmayer
- Treasurer – Bill Hoffman
- Trustee Reps – Barry Ecklund & Jim Anderson (Will need to be nominated from the floor).

**300 Club:** Pat Teiken reported that all tickets had been sold and all money was collected and turned into Doug to deposit into the bank. The 1<sup>st</sup> months drawing of names was done at the meeting and here is the names that won the (7) \$100 tickets:

Kay Decker / Shawna Dehaun / Terri Tryggstad / Merl Gust / Clerence Schultz / Leslie Wallin / Shawna Dehaun

**Old Business:** None

### **New Business:**

Clear Choice Printing Solutions, LLC is owned and operated by Jennifer & Jerome Sorenson in Amery. They are lake residents and will be giving us bids on upcoming printing jobs. It was agreed it is best to always try to give business to local business owners whenever possible and a better deal or better product.

Sandblasting and Plating Business on 673 Bear Trap Lane was brought to the attention of the committee about if and when it is a harmful or could be harmful to our lake waters and / or environment. The discussion was held and determined that since it isn't a resident on the lake, it was something that we couldn't take a stance on. We will be keeping an eye on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 am by Marty Noonan, Mark Jacobson made the motion to adjourn & Jerry Haag 2<sup>nd</sup> it.