

# WBTL Association Meeting Minutes July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Date: July 9<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 34 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: None

## Secretary's Report

The Secretary report was presented by Brian Stugelmayer & was approved by Barry Eklund & 2nd by Dave Nelson.

## Treasurer's Financial Report

Mary Kupfer gave the reports of: Total Checking/Savings \$115,084.18

Other Current Assets: Undeposited Funds & Total Other Current Assets \$3,760.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$118,844.18 & TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY \$118,844.18

Brian Stugelmayer made a motion to approve and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lee Ann Overman

## President's Report

The President's report followed the agenda items:

- Light Up the Lake & Fireworks went very well and better each year. The total cost for fireworks was \$13,000. The Sanitation spends 100% of the contributions towards it and covers the differences if needed.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Cannon Firing & Flag Raising was done before the Light Up the Lake and went very well. Thanks to Larry Roberts & Dave Porter for putting these on to kick off our celebration.
- Balsam Lake Water Ski Show will be July 9<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm in the North Bay out front of Waterside.
- Fire Boat & Boat Parade in Bear Trap Lake went well and had 10 boats total in it. The winners will be posted online.
- Music on the Bay went very well and was attended very good with lots of boats floating and listening.
- August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 is our General Meeting and Marty talked about requirements and what reports need to be sent out.
- Walt Ogburn spoke about his group of the Men's Acapella Chorus on how they will get together on July 13<sup>th</sup> and go out on the lakes on pontoons and sing. They then will go out in front of the Bible Camp and sing to the kids, then they will be at Waterside at 3 pm where they will sing on the patio and then eat dinner. Anyone wants to come listen is welcome.

WBT Meeting will continue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month now thru September for 2022.

\*\*Email Committee Reports are due to Brian the Friday before the following weeks Saturday meeting each month\*\*

## Committee Reports

**Lake Management:** Mark Jacobsen reported the following:

First, the Aquatic Plant Management Plan has been approved by the Wisconsin DNR.

Second, The Lake Conservancy Board along with Ryan Hanson met with four members of the Polk County Land & Lakes department on June 27th. They felt that the acquisition of the property along Friday Creek was critical in preventing impacts from further near shore development. We also looked at the possibility of how we might be able to provide community access to the property as well as adding some outdoor education. Again, I want to thank everyone who helped to make this project happen.

**Lake Harvester:** Barry Eklund reported that although the harvester and conveyer are still at the Y Camp location, harvesting is complete for the year.

Here are the load numbers for the past three years:

2020	2021	2022
96	72	55

We are noting progress in the reduction of Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) from year to year. Once again, we noticed more weeds in the north end of Wapo, northwest area of Bear Trap and the south bay of the Y Camp. Every year is different. Denny Badman and his crew encountered the heaviest concentrations in seven to twelve feet of water rather than close to shore.

Fortunately, Coontail and other non-invasive species are now replacing the CLP in some areas that were previously harvested. Perhaps progress is being made. Thanks to Steve Schieffer for his survey efforts to identify invasive species. And many thanks to Denny and his crew for the excellent job they have done to reduce CLP and improve our lakes.

**Polk County Healthy Lakes Grant:** Mike mentioned they went thru the boxes of materials at the Sanitation District and found lost of pamphlets. We do not need to order any of the Shoreline booklets or the Clean Boats handouts. Update for June is that all 2023 Healthy Lakes Program materials are available on the wbtllakes website. Deadline for submitting is July 31, 2022.

The Bible Camp wants to do a project and will be working with Mike Seidl and Marty Noonan.

**AIS Monitoring:** Dave Millard reported that Lake weed surveys have started and we are finding curly leaf pond weed and coontail but no other invasive weeds. Lake monitoring trips have surprised us with a lot of Yellow Flag Iris on Bear Trap. No zebra mussels were found on the plates. Weed team is looking for 2 more teams to assist with bimonthly surveys.

**Clean Boats / Clean Water:** Rick Bazille reported that:

- 1) Last weekend we participated in the WDNR sponsored "Boat Landing Blitz" reminding boaters about the importance of cleaning boats, trailers and equipment to discourage the spread of aquatic invasive species. Over 80 towels with the message were handed out.
- 2) Thanks to Ryan Hansen for recruiting his niece, Ella Gould to work at the landing with Brian. She has also worked for the CB/CW program in Amery so came to us with experience and fit in very easily.
- 3) From Memorial Day weekend through the 4th of July weekend, we have worked 142.5 hours at the Garfield Landing, well on our way to the goal of 300 hours.
- 4) Doug Drake will report to the August meeting.

**Fishery & Dam:** John Mahoney reported that Done Springer, Dean Christenson, and himself met with Biologist Kyle about the Narrows eroding away and he said they needed to talk to whomever owns the property and the DNR. A motion was made by Brian Stugelmayer and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Haug to get bids on Shoreline Repairs. Further discussion at the next meeting about what bids they got and where we are at with it now.

**Lake Monitoring:** Ryan Hanson reported that The June monitoring of the lakes took place on 6/22, a sunny day with 5-10 mph winds. The water color was a brown-green tone. The water temperature was about 4\* warmer than in June 2021. The Secchi disc reading in Wapo was 7.5' (9' in 2021) and in Bear Trap it was 9' (14.5' in 2021). Perhaps recent windy days have caused part of the reduced Secchi readings. The lake level at the dam was 3.86, compared to 3.80 in June 2021. We also completed the QA/QC sampling on Bear Trap per a request from the DNR. This random sampling is part of the DNR's grant money from the EPA.

As part of the proposed Aquatic Plant Management plan, we will be conducting full monitoring of the lakes to collect more data in order to establish a baseline. The stated objective in the plan is to reduce total phosphorus and chlorophyll by 5% and see Secchi depth increase by 1 foot in five years vs the 2022 baseline. I have worked with the State Lab to obtain the necessary extra materials to complete this testing. Thank you to Mark Jacobson & Phil Smith for assisting with the June testing.

**Wapogasset**

		6/22/22	6/22/21	6/28/20
Temp at	3'	75.7	71.6	77.0
Temp at	30'	65.0	58.7	60.7
Temp difference		10.7	12.9	16.3
	DO at 3'	8.6	7.9	10.0
	DO at 9'	8.7	7.7	10.4
	DO at 15'	8.5	7.3	8.7
	DO at 30'	0.4	0.2	0.2
Secchi disc		7.5'	9'	10'

**Bear Trap**

		6/22/21	6/22/21	6/28/20
Temp at 3'		75.7	71.7	77.2
Temp at 20'		68.7	63.5	65.0
Temp difference		7.0	8.2	12.2
	DO at 3'	8.3	8.0	9.3
	DO at 9'	8.3	7.9	9.8
	DO at 15'	8.1	7.4	5.0
	DO at 20'	2.7	0.7	0.2
Secchi disc		9'	14.5"	11'

**Neighborhood Watch:** Joel Anderson spoke about Garages. When it comes to security, the garage is one area of the home that is commonly overlooked. An often ignored element of the garage is the door that connects the garage to the house. If this door is not kept secure, then anyone entering the garage can enter the house. In order to increase garage security and house security, residents should always lock the doors connecting a home to an attached garage. At home, people should always park their cars in the garage with the garage door shut. If a burglar notices a pattern where the garage door is left open, or cars are normally parked in the driveway whenever someone is home, then a closed garage door or no cars in the driveway may be a giveaway that no one is home. Consistency in leaving the cars in the garage behind closed doors will keep from tipping off the burglar that the home is unoccupied. Besides, leaving the garage door open allows strangers to see whatever belongings are stored in the garage. For those without garages it is important that valuables are not left easily seen in the car and that the car is locked while in the driveway.

**Community Relations** report was given by Karen Ohm and she said that 84 people registered for the 5K race. She had 10 boats register and participate in the parade. The winners and all pictures will be online this coming week.

**Sunshine Club** was reported by Lee Ann Overman and she said that she sent out 8 cards since the June 2022 meeting. Trustees need to let her know if you have anyone new moving into your neighborhood, anyone with illnesses, sickness, and life changes, or anything that you would think they would need a LWBT Association card.

**300 Club:** Pat Teiken reported that all monies was collected and that we would be having the 1<sup>st</sup> drawing at this meeting. The winners for \$100 each are: Sue Lemon, Joan Vrieze, Michelle Valentine, Nancy Schult, Ryan Caffrey, G Kimball, & Sandy Noonan. The checks were written and were given to the Trustees for the areas of where the winners lived.

**Ways & Means Committee:** Linda Lawrence reported that there were no new donation requests and nothing else to report.

**Membership:** Don Springer reported as of 7/5/22 we had 498 Members

Basic: 161 / Bronze: 94 / Silver: 98 / Gold: 145 = Congratulations to Trustees with 100% memberships: Ed Hagen – Wallace Addition, John Mahoney – Rivard Park, & Juanita Seidl – Breezy Point

**Communications:** Jim Andersen spoke about Communications Report, firstly photographs were taken of the July 4th run at Stower park and also the boat parade and will be viewable on our WBT website. [www.wbtlakes.com](http://www.wbtlakes.com)

### **WBT Fall Directory 2022**

Fall 2022 Lake Directory, has 17 paid advertisers to date with a total revenue of \$3,135. We have several that are getting their materials in before the July 11 th deadline. Work has started to update the 2021 Fall Lake Directory to provide to Paperworx so they can start the layout. The membership deadline was established for July 1, 2022 so that will be the approximate cut off for the Fall 2022 Lake Directory. We will start to update the lake residents and paid memberships using this information.

### **Lake Scene 2022**

The deadline for materials to Kathy is before July 21st. The distribution date is July 30th with sorting to be done on Jul 29. We will be including the Polk County Shoreland Property Owner Handbook for all lake property owners. We continue to support the Aquatic Management Plan (AMP) with outreach for education and training.

Lake Scene support, WBT website ([www.wbtlakes.com](http://www.wbtlakes.com)), WBT email site, WBT Post Office Box, Facebook (@wbtlakeasso), our WBT email authorized lake association list and NextDoor.

Materials due deadline	Sorting Date	Distribution Date
Aug 18	Aug 26	Aug 27

**Photo Contest:** Kelly Hogen has been working on the photo contest and as of the first part of this week had organized 48 photo entries for our contest. The deadline is July 15th, 2022. Submit photo entries to our email: [wbtlakes@gmail.com](mailto:wbtlakes@gmail.com) Photo Contest in the subject line, please.

### **Website <https://www.wbtlakes.com> , WBT email, Facebook, and NextDoor**

Ryan Hanson supported the 4th of July activities with our WBT website to sign up boat parade entries as well as to promote a sign-up link for the Stower Trail run/walk 4th of July activities.

Ryan Hanson and Nancy Drake have been working on keeping up with the communications with the above referenced communication methods. Kristen Hanson has continued the program to provide the trustee a welcome to the lake bag with several gifts. We are working on monitoring the post office box as well as the WBT email. We will continue to work out a plan to communicate inbound messages to the proper people. Our calendar is posted, healthy lakes and our AMP draft plan are there for your review. Wendy Jo Miller has started a LWBT page on Instagram, be sure to check it out.

**Nominating Committee:** Dave Nelson reported that he needs nominations for volunteer of the year. Brian Stugelmayer nominated Jim Andersen for all his volunteering and many hours spent on many committees along with all his work on the Communications! Dave said we need more people on our committees. Motion was made by Mark Jacobson and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marty Noonan. Dave mentioned that we also need someone to do our audit of our books before the August annual meeting.

**Old Business:** The cost of Flares for Light Up the Lake will be going up next year since our cost has risen.

**New Business:** Brian Stugelmayer & Don Springer talked about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Waterside Take Veterans to Twins Game. They are honoring OJ Aune this year. There will be 2 meat raffles on July 16<sup>th</sup> & July 23rd at Waterside to raise money to cover the expenses.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am by Marty Noonan, Ed Hagen made the motion to adjourn & Mark Jacobsen 2<sup>nd</sup> it.