

WBTL Association Meeting Minutes May 14th, 2022

Date: September 11th, 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 32 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: Mary Kupfer (New Treasurer), Sean Laschinger (New Trustee), John Perendy (New Trustee)

Secretary's Report

The Secretary report was presented by Brian Stugelmayer & was approved by Mark Jacobson & 2nd by Dave Nelson.

Treasurer's Financial Report

Mary Kupfer mentioned that reports were sent out for end of 2021. – Over the winter the only expenses we had was Recognition Dinner \$1,118, Membership Expenses of \$1,446, 300 Club Drawings of \$700, and some minimal education and postage costs. Checking balance April 2022 month ending was \$18,122. For all of our cash accounts we stand at \$129,560.

President's Report

The President's report followed the agenda items:

Spring Social is June 4th @ Waterside from 1pm – 4pm.

Financial Support will continue at \$2,000 for Lake Scene 2022 to cover costs.

Shoreland Property Owner Handbooks will be handed out to all residents. Marty will order 700 copies. Motion made by Dave Nelson and 2nd by Brian Stugelmayer.

Chris Burch has resigned from his Trustee position due to health reasons. Thanks much for your years of help and volunteering!

Music on the Bay will be July 2nd @ 3pm out front of Ryan & Kristin Hanson's house (on their dock) this year.

Light up the Lake is July 2nd at 9:45pm, Fireworks to follow at 10:10pm. (Flare Pick up will be June 10th after the June Meeting)!

Balsam Lake Water Ski Show will be July 9th @ 3pm in the North Bay out front of Waterside.

WBT Meeting will continue on the 2nd 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 that the purchase of Friday Creek property was successful. A Huge Thank You goes out to Lake Residents Nick & Ingrid Gangsted for buying the land to help the Lake Association until we could get all the funds secured and purchase it from them. The land was purchased for \$216,973 and was mostly funded by a grant, many lake member donations and pledges. This left the final cost to the Lake Association to be only \$30,250, which was much lower than the \$80,000 we had budgeted. The remainder will be put aside into a special fund to help with upkeep and expenses, if it will be approved by the Ways & Means Committee.

Lake Harvester: Barry Eklund reported that Summer has finally arrived and it time to enjoy it. Many thanks to Denny Badman for the updates. The harvester is in the shop for some minor repairs (new conveyer belt and a new locator). The locator is similar to Steve Schieffer's so we expect grater accuracy during the harvesting process. Also, the weed beds have been renamed. Because of the cold weather, they expect to start the Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) harvesting during late May or early June. Denny advised they need two more people to add to the crew. Their functions would be operation of the harvester and driving the truck. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Denny. With the addition of the pontoon we need a place to store the harvester, conveyer, truck, pontoon and other equipment. Currently, the Sanitary District is accepting bids for a pole barn to be constructed at their location. More information will be provided at the next meeting. As the harvest season begins we ask you to advise your lake residents to give the crews room to operate and effectively remove CLP. A special thanks to Brian at Waterside, the YMCA camp, and both Garfield and Lincoln townships for allowing us use the ramps during the harvesting process.

Polk County Healthy Lakes Grant: Mike Seidl wasn't present but sent this report to be read. The Wisconsin DNR awarded the Lake Association a Healthy Lakes Grant for 2022 on behalf of two property owners who completed Participation Pledges. The 2022 grant is for a maximum of \$5,500. One owner is starting his project; the other owner is hesitant to continue participation. We are planning to continue our Healthy Lakes Program for 2023. All materials have been posted to the wbtllakes website. Deadline for submission 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 Weed monitoring team is looking for additional teams to perform bimonthly weed surveys. Polk County environmental team is offering training class 6/01/2022 at Kennedy Mill 2:00-4:00PM.

Clean Boats / Clean Water: Rick Bazille reported that

- 1) The Sanitary District has again obtained a Grant to support our CB/CW program. The DNR pays 75% of the cost, the remaining 25% is split between the Assoc. and Sanitary District.
- 2) Our employee Brian Anderson will return and start at the Garfield Ramp Memorial Day weekend or sooner. Currently he is paid \$15./hr. His helper receives \$12.50/hr. Is that enough?
- 3) Last month Brian, Doug Drake and myself all attended a CB/CW video conference training session put on by Polk County Land and Water Resources.
- 4) Doug Drake will take over CB/CW

Lake Monitoring: The May monitoring of the lakes took place on 5/10, a partly cloudy day. Our lakes are in the turnover phase. Being the May 2020 testing was done several weeks after the ice out, I'll compare the 2022 readings with the 2020 readings. The water temperature was about 6* warmer than in May 2020. The Secchi disc reading in Wapogasset was 12' (7' in 2020) and in Bear Trap it was also 12' (13' in 2020). The lake level at the dam was 4.0, compared to 4.12 in May 2020. More detailed information is on the following sheet.

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.

Wapogasset

	5/10/22	5/25/21	4/25/20
Temp at 3'	56.9	67.1	49.1
Temp at 30'	47.7	55.3	44.2
Temp difference	9.2	11.8	4.9
DO at 3'	9.9	8.1	12.3
DO at 9'	10.1	8.1	13.3
DO at 15'	10.0	7.9	12.8
DO at 30'	5.9	1.8	10.2
Secchi disc	12'	16'	7'
Ice Out	4/24/22	4/1/21	4/8/20

Bear Trap

	5/10/22	5/25/21	4/25/20
Temp at 3'	56.8	68.5	50.3
Temp at 20'	48.3	56.0	45.9
Temp difference	8.5	12.5	4.4
DO at 3'	10.3	8.1	12.2
DO at 9'	10.3	8.1	12.4
DO at 15'	9.9	8.2	12.1
DO at 20'	8.5	3.6	11.2
Secchi disc	12'	16'	13'
Ice Out	4/20/22	3/29/21	4/3/20

Neighborhood Watch: Joel Anderson said that Nextdoor is a social network that connects neighbors and enables conversations that empower neighbors to build stronger and safer communities. Use the invitation feature in the app to send neighbors a text message inviting them to join Nextdoor. Debbie Worthington, who started the Nextdoor network for Wapogasset/Bear Trap, died May 7, 2022. Be Safe and Don't put yourself in harm's way or engage a suspect to gather more details about the situation. Your safety is paramount. Call 911 If you think that a crime may be occurring, or that the safety of you or your neighbors may be at risk, do not hesitate to call 911 and let the police investigate.

Community Relations report was given by Karen Ohm and she said that Doug Drake was the Volunteer of the Year. The recognition dinner had room for 80 people only and had plenty of room yet. Last year's recipients are to be awarded at the dinner along with Doug. There is a mask mandate and alcohol policy.

Sunshine Club was reported by Lee Ann Overman and she said that she sent out 17 cards since the September 2021 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 said that all monies and stubs are due at the June 11th Meeting. She will be out of town and to turn into Brian Stugelmayer either at the next meeting or call him and meet to drop it off at Waterside.

Ways & Means Committee Linda Lawrence reported that the only thing she had was a request for a donation to the Music on the River committee. We will vote on it at our June Meeting since it was approved by the Ways & Means Committee.

Membership

As of May 14th we had 400 paid members. Current numbers by membership level:

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

WBT Fall Directory 2022

I mailed out over 50 advertising offers to past advertisers and a few new ones on April 20th. I have received 8 so far whom have paid and submitted their forms. The production and layout will continue with Paperworx as in the past. Follow up with advertiser prospects will continue to the cutoff date, which is July 11, 2022.

Lake Scene 2022

Materials due deadline	Sorting Date	Distribution Date
May 16	May 27	May 28
Jun 16	Jun 24	Jun 25
Jul 21	Jul 29	Jul 30
Aug 18	Aug 26	Aug 27

This information has been shared with the contributors to the Lake Scene as well as our communication committee members involved in breakdown and sorting. Kathy continues to have some health issues but plans to publish the Lake Scene for the 41 st year with our help.

Photo Contest is open see your lake directory for details, deadline is July 15, 2022.

2021 Communications Summary

The committee is supposed to be putting forth education per the executive committee or trustees' recommendations per our association documents. I would like to ask those who have ideas for 2022 to send them to me and our committee will discuss them. For now, I would like to start out with a topic of interest for each Lake Scene volume in 2022. I believe that we may be able to take that topic and get a front and back side insert printed to place in the Lake Scene. I believe the extra advertising revenue could cover the costs. After the year and review of the project we can see what makes sense as far as education.

Printing Services

We requested quotations for printing of the lake association's needs, such as envelopes, copying, printing and layout and publishing for our annual lake directory. The two submitting bids were Paperworx and Clear Choice Printing. The bids were shared with the WBT executive board members and a majority vote to continue with Paperworx was passed.

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

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.

Nominating Committee: Dave Nelson reported that there is nothing to report on nominations this month.

Old Business: Nothing to report or discuss

New Business:

The New Fishery Committee was created and will include John Mahoney, Don Springer, & Dean Christenson

There are new cameras at Garfield Park to keep an eye on the park and the landing at all times.

Tyler will be taking over the Bible Camp sometime in August 2022

The Kayak Club will have their 1st meeting on Monday May 16th @ UW Wanderoos at 9am. There is 30 people already interested.

Sunrise Beach Landing will be reconstructed next year or later this year, for now they will be dredging it so it is clearer to use.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am by Marty Noonan, Brian Stugelmayer made the motion to adjourn & Jim Anderson 2nd it.