

**Wapogasset Bear Trap  
Lake Association  
General Meeting Minutes  
August 10, 2024**

Standing in for President George Hauser, Bob Sorenson called the meeting at 8:30am with 41 people in attendance.

Bob welcomed any guests and asked them to introduce themselves.

Bob asked for a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Motion made by Jim Andersen and second by Doug Drake. All in favor.

**Secretaries Report -**

Mary Kupfer presented the July 2024 meeting minutes that were taken by Jim Anderson. Motion was made by Marty Noonan to accept, second by Pat Teiken. All in favor.

**Budget Report -**

Pat Teiken began by asking for a motion to remove the names of Mary Kupfer, Doug Drake, and Marty Noonan from the Westconsin bank account and adding George Hauser's name to the account. Doug Drake motioned to approve, Marty Noonan second. All in favor.

Pat also mentioned the majority of the Lake Association's money is in a money market account, she suggests transferring some to a CD. Doug motioned Pat transfer funds in a manner she sees fit at the time of the rates/length of the CD's. Motion second by Linda Lawrence. All in favor.

**Presidents Report -**

There is no presidents report this month.

**Committee Reports -**

Bob Sorenson is asking for approval on the committee reports, Marty Noonan motioned to accept the committee reports, Jim Andersen second. All in favor.

**400 Club Drawing -**

Linda Lawrence drew the following names: \$100 winners Keri Chumbley, Dave Overman, Joyce Quint, Amy Hanson, Einar Sandom, Marg Jacobson, Julie Krisik, Dale Paulzine, and the \$500 winner...Bob Lawrence!

**Old Business**

**Lake Safety Sub Committee -**

Mark Jacobson has no report at this time.

### **VRBO's on the Lake -**

Jim Anderson presented information he gathered on VRBO's, some VRBO's are grandfathered in before changes were made to ordinances. Complaints should be reported to the Sheriff. Jim and a few others recently attended a Polk Cty mtg, VRBO's were a topic at this meeting. He says there is a checklist as to the expectations of VRBO guests. We estimate we have 14-20 VRBO's on our lake(s). Doug added the Town of Garfield also has ordinances that must be followed.

### **Photo Contest - Jim Andersen**

Honorable mention : Diane Davey Kristin Hanson

1st place, Fred Norenberg

2nd place Gretchen Vrieze

3rd Place -Curtis Graff

### **Bible Camp Shoreline Erosion - Sam Blackford**

Sam reports there are no updates as of last month.

Marty Noonan motioned to reimburse John Perendy \$45 for the fee (gift/sweatshirt) of doing the audit this year. In fact the check had already been sent

Jim Andersen added we now have a 4 digit addition to the zip code. 0441 is the number that should be added to all correspondence. Once our current stationary/envelopes are exhausted, we will order with the new added numbers. Pat Teiken would like higher quality envelopes ordered next time. Jim Andersen will look into it.

Ed made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58am Marty Noonan second the motion, the meeting finally adjourned at 9:02am. All in favor.

**Wapogasset Bear Trap  
Lake Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
August 10, 2024**

Standing in for President George Hauser, Bob Sorenson called the meeting at 9:04am with 41 people in attendance.

**Secretary report - Mary Kupfer**

Mary mentioned the 2023 Annual Meeting minutes were included in the email. There were no questions or comments on the minutes. Doug Drake motioned to accept the minutes, motion second by Jim Andersen. All in favor.

**Treasurer report - Pat Teiken**

Pat along with Jim Andersen presented the Treasurer bylaws. Jim described how the budget is broke down and Pat went over different incomes for the association noting the 400 club is the biggest money maker for the association. Expenses we incur are keeping the lake clean, the CD3 Machine, printing, etc. She estimates we will spend \$4300 maintaining the boat cleaning machine in the coming year. Pat went over the budget report line by line explaining each expense and income. (The budget report was included in the meeting handouts prior to the meeting for review.) Motion made by Ed and second by Doug Drake to approve the budget as presented. All in favor.

The CD3 boat cleaning machine usage came up in discussion. Doug will be monitoring the usage of the machine and report back to the association with his statistics. He says the usage is creeping up. There was some back and forth conversation about what the perfect location would be for the CD3. Technically Garfield Township decided the location of the machine. Jim Andersen mentioned CD3 signage is going in soon. The 3 employees working at Garfield Park Boat Launch are working out well. Saturdays and Sundays are monitored.

**Proposed Bylaw Changes - Jim Andersen**

Jim sent proposed Bylaw changes to the Executive Committee and had copies on hand at the meeting. Jim went over the proposed Bylaw changes. (The Bylaw changes are in red on the document). Motion made by Doug Drake to change the 21 day meeting notice to 14 days, motion second by Martha Funke. All in favor.

**New Business Comments/Concerns**

Dan Raether read the email he sent to the association regarding the noise level from the Bible Camp. Jim Andersen read the reply from the Bible Camp representative to the group. Nothing has changed at the camp as far as their amplification system. The Bible Camp staff will be conscientious with their microphone usage to the best of their ability.

Bill Mahre's weed issue was read next. Bob Sorenson commented we all benefit from the weed harvesting however there seems to be a lot of floating weeds after the cutter goes by. Doug Drake commented that Denny and the operators of the SS Kurley Kutter are aware of the problem and are trying to come up with solutions. Jim added the weed load has been very high this year. Another comment was that we are not capturing all the weeds the cutter is "knocking down" in addition to the cut weeds from the blades. A positive was a trustee mentioned her weeds have been under control in front of her place because of the Kurly Kutter.

The third and final comment was read by Bob from John O'Neil. (also included in the email/handouts). The map and boating regulations we provide are on the path to better boating safety and responsibility. High use lakes are patrolled on the weekends and smaller lakes on weekdays. 170 hours of patrol are devoted/divided to lakes in Polk County. Hiring our own lake patrol is not a financial option. Marty volunteered to chair the Lake Safety Committee and Kathy Mortenson would like to have a regular column in the Lake Scene  
Motion to adjourn by Linda Lawrence, and Marty Noonan second the motion, all in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05am.

Respectfully submitted  
Mary Kupfer