



WATERVILLE LAKES ASSOCIATION B.O.D Meeting
Waterville Event Center
Saturday April 30th
At 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to order, Pledge, Roll 9:05am

Roll Call: Eric, Del, Bernie, Scott, Jeanne, Andrea, Dallas, Cory

Absent: Chrissy, Tim

2. Approval of minutes of last B.O.D. meeting. Approved by Scott seconded by Bernie

3. Treasurer's Report. No current report.

4. Old business.

A. Updates: watercraft inspections.

- 10,000 grant money is available to pay for watercraft inspection at boat landing City of Waterville
- Looking to hire more inspectors- call City hall for details

B. Curly Leaf spraying

- BOD approved spraying 58.75 acres motion Bernie/ seconded Scott
- Cory Cubert- will be spraying next week

C. Comedy night results

- Profit \$1800.00 after expenditure were paid

D. Bingo- volunteers & flyers to distribute to campgrounds & business

- BOD approved fliers Motion made Scott/ seconded Bernie
- Jeanne & Andrea are working a public flier summer happening
- Volunteers are need to help distribute

E. Facebook

- WLA is up and running 770 people visited site and 28 LIKES

F. Website New web address

- <http://watervillelakes.mnlakesandrivers.org/>

G. Membership letters & plan for 2023

- Jeanne, Don, Joel & Andrea worked hard on getting dues letter sent 2022.
- Membership due are coming in, we are looking forward to reporting on the increase in dues collection.

H. No-wake notification plan

- Austin Bachman Le Sueur Co. Water Patrol deputy- communication plan to contact WLA, so we are able to update our website and FB page. Le Sueur Co. The Sheriff FB page is a good resource also.

5. New business

A. Lake steward program?

- Guest Speaker from MN Lakes and Rivers
- Stewardship Quiz sent by WLA email, for the public to consider becoming a Lake Stewart, and information What a Lake Stewart consist of.

B. Pontoberfest

- Saturday August 27th 2022
- Looking into a new location, public beach
- Andrea will check into location option
- No silent action
- Del- will do food
- "Good Will Donation" Fundraiser

Side note-New pavilion is going up at Public Beach this summer

C. Next B.O.D. meeting. Saturday August 13 2022 9:00AM Events

D Boat Ramp Signs and Lake Map Sign- possible DNR grant

- Jeanne and Andrea checking into grant option and signage for boat landing

E. Fishing Opener 5/14/22 and 3 Fishing Tournaments in 2022

- BOD approve handing out water bottles at fishing tournaments to promote WLA
- Volunteers needed

F. New Chamber of Commerce brochures- boat landing & inspections

- Jeanne- will reach out to Chamber for flier support

Other new business?

Andrea asked permission from the BOD to support the purchase of a Aqua Weed Stick and Station to help boaters remove weeds from under boats and trailers with retractor. DNR approved signs can be customized to show the WLS support in fighting AIS. This station will be added to the City of Waterville Boat landing.

- BOD approved Aqua Weed Stick and Signage station Motion Scott/ seconded Del Scott, brought the major concern with the increasing number of Cormorant birds on our lakes.
- Cormorants are federally protected, no natural predators, lifespan 11 years, fish diet
- US Fish and Wildlife- contact to get permission to help control population
- Potentially get organized with Mn Lakes & River to have a voice to fight the over population

Bernie asked about where the water clarity devices are? Who might have them?

6. Adjourn 9:50am motion Scott, seconded Del

Minutes taken by Secretary Andrea Berg

PUBLIC WATERVILLE LAKES ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING

Event Center

Saturday April 30 2022

Call to Order, pledge 10:05am

50 people attended

Previous Minute approved motion Joe/ seconded Roy

Guest Speaker:

Austin Bachman Le Sueur Co Water Patrol Deputy

- Covers 63 lakes
- Asked public to be the eyes and ears
- Buoys are all out on lakes, as of last week
- Staff gages lake levels/ check into who regulates guidelines, where can the public get this information?
- No Wake- no ticket can be issue for breaking the NO Wake regulation (Public encourage to contact local official, to change this law)
- NoWake- goes into effect when lake level is over 2 feet

- Wake Boats, boats & personal watercraft can be enforced when boats are 150 feet from shoreline.

Contact Information for deputy:

Austin Bachman Water Patrol

Office 507-357-4440

Guest Speaker

Jeff Forester From Mn Lakes & Rivers Advocate

Statistic

- 37 years is the average amount of time a cabin stay in a family
- Mn has 500 Lake Association across the state
- Volunteer hours are the gears that drives Lake Association

LAKE STEWARD PROGRAM

Jeff explained what a Lake Steward is and how the program works.

Adding lakeshore buffers help filter phosphorus before it enters lakes.

1. Reducing phosphorus/ nitrogen in lakes

(phosphorus shut off nitrogen and grows algae bloom and fish kills)

- Run off pollution
- Farm tiling
- Not fertilizing lakeshore properties with phosphorus based fertilizer
- Adding shoreline buffers, with native plants
- No dump fire ashes in lake, ash contains phosphorus
- Culvert not draining directly into lakes
- Updated septic systems

A lake can handle recycling .02 lbs of phosphorus but, runoff contributes up to 2 lbs of phosphorus

What can you do? Take the Lake Steward Quiz and answer a few questions

<https://mnlakesandrivers.org/lake-associations/lake-association-programs/lake-steward/#:~:text=contact%20Minnesota%20Lakes>

Del- Commented on Comedy Night, Chamber of Commerce, Bullhead Days June, Hot Summer Nights

BINGO- super easy Click link below

We are looking for people to help sell BINGO Cards on Wednesday evenings at Corner Bar. CLICK on LINK

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B45AEA92AA7FC1-2022>

to sign up. Starting in May-Sept. We have plenty of opportunities for you to help.

The BINGO night profit helps the WLA earn thousands of dollars to help fight Invasive Weed in our lakes. A couple hours of your time will go a long way.

Contact Tim Smith 612-201-7978

Dallas- notes we were given a Memorial Donation from Gene Schwake Family
Andrea will send a thank you card.

Phil asked about hiring the Royal Harvester and business card to hand out to promote WLA
-WLA encourage public to hire harvester for private property shoreline owners
-Fliers are in the works to promote Waterville Lake Association

Adjourn: Motion made by Joe seconded Bernie 11:18Am

Meeting minute Respectfully Submitted by:
Secretary Andrea Berg

VOLUNTEERS	
✓	Date
	BINGO Click link Sign up Genius
	Julie Meister
	Mark & Christa Wolner
	Don & Diane Munson
	Don & Jeanne Tomlinson
	Todd & Joanne Brackey
	Joel & Andrea Berg
	Greg & Dee Ryan

Larry & Judy Heimer

Doug & Jewell Ebling

Phil Langerd

COMEDY NIGHT March

Julie Meister

Roy & Dallas McIntyre

Eric & Diana Lomen

Don & Jeanne Tomlinson

Clay & Sharon Miller

Greg & Dee Ryan

Joel & Andrea Berg

PONTOBER FEST Sat. Aug 27 2022

Tim & Sandy Labs

Mark & Christa Wolner

Neal & Cindy Cronin

Sue Mariska

Mary Jane Patchin

Paul & Connie Link

Eric & Diana Lomen

Don & Jeanne Tomlinson

Clay & Sharon Miller

Joel & Andrea Berg

Scott & Wendy Hudson

Greg & Dee Ryan
