

LAUDERDALE LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Directors Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2022

Meeting called to order:

President Rich Siok called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.
The meeting was held via ZOOM video conferencing.

Roll Call:

The following Directors and Officers were present:

Jeff Adams	Debbie Ferrari	Elisabeth Partyka
Loretta Auchinleck	Patty Hargrave	Lynette Rullman
Mike Barrett	Don Henderson	Bill Schulte
Scott Csanda	Kevin Henderson	Herb Sharpless
Sue Csanda	Jane Larsen	Nila Siok
Corky Corcoran	Don Lohens	Rich Siok
Mark Curcio	Sue Markus	Peter Spaulding
Jim Dion	Sara Nason	Gary Storandt

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2022 Directors Meeting (Debbie Ferrari), seconded (Don Henderson) and approved by the Directors.

Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda (Gary Storandt), seconded (Don Henderson) and approved by the Directors.

Treasurer's Report: Herb Sharpless reported:

- The current P&L Statement and Balance Sheet remain strong—particularly income, with membership nearing 500 already.
- Because of our growing revenue, we are required by the IRS to file form 990EZ rather than a simpler 990 postcard.
- A motion was made to approve the report (Debbie Ferrari), seconded (Mark Curcio) and approved by the Directors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fish: Jim "Corky" Corcoran reported:

- Fishapalooza was a success. With some 150 anglers attending, the event raised over \$4,000.
- On July 16th, The Kid's Fish Jamboree will be held in our more traditional format.

- Corky asked the Directors to help encourage younger volunteers to participate in crib-building on Wednesday evenings.
- The WDNR has delayed conducting a comprehensive fish survey for our lakes. Corky suspects that the current regulations may need tweaking but we lack the data needed to make informed decisions. We need to encourage anglers to record their catches so that we at least have anecdotal info.
- Corky and Jeff Angst are exploring joining forces with other members of the Walworth County Lakes Association to achieve better discount pricing on fish stocking.

Water Quality: Rich Siok reported for Dave DeAngelis:

- Ice-out occurred on or about March 22.
- The first water-testing activities will begin by early May.
- This will be Dave's last year as Water Quality Chair. Mark Curcio will assume Dave's responsibilities.

Communications & Membership: Debbie Ferrari and Gary Storandt reported:

- The Spring issue of Shorelines is in process and is expected to mail around mid-May.
- A follow-up membership mailing will go out in the next several weeks.

Website: Kevin Henderson reported:

- Currently, the committee is busy reacting to various ongoing content requests (business-as-usual).
- Still looking into the opportunity to accept credit cards for online membership payment.

History: Rich Siok reported for Kathryn Calkins:

- Rich asked the Directors to help Kathryn gather more historical information and photos on Ruby Acres. Those with relevant information should email Kathryn directly.

Nominating: Jim Dion reported:

- Jim expressed the desire to sign up more Directors, particularly in districts 3, 18 and 20. The more Directors, the better.
- To enhance understanding of the Directors role, Mike Barrett suggested that we publish a map (possibly in ShoreLines) geographically delineating the various districts.

Planning & Zoning: Don Henderson reported:

- The Town newsletter went out in March.
- New 25mph signs have been installed. Contact Pat Hoffman if you identify an area which should be posted and is not.
- The Fire Department Steak Fry will be held on Saturday, August 16 at Lauderdale Landing.

- Don announced that there may be a proposal coming before the Town to change the water ski ordinance to allow the omission of a spotter in the tow boat during certain limited time periods (likely early on weekdays only).

Water Safety: Debbie Ferrari reported:

- Debbie reminded the Directors that the Safety Patrol will begin wearing body cams this season.
- Due to staffing shortages, the Safety Patrol will not offer water safety classes this season.

Property:

- No report (November only)

Unfinished Business

- Don Henderson asked the Directors to help distribute new address signs to homeowners when they become available in June. After limited discussion, Don made a motion to formally approve the Director’s involvement, seconded (Jim Dion) and approved by the Directors. It was generally agreed that the LLIA’s role will be strictly limited to distributing the signs.
- Sue Markus provided a brief update on the LLIA receiving approval to act as a local sponsor for the Healthy Lakes & Rivers Initiative. At least two pilot projects will be “tested” this season. More to follow.

New Business

- Rich Siok invited ideas on spending Lake Preservation Fund monies in pursuit of our mission.
 - Jane Larsen and Don Henderson suggested developing an initiative to help clear debris from the lakes.
 - Elisabeth Partyka suggested paying a third party to lighten our role in eradicating/controlling the spread of Purple Loosestrife.
 - Jeff Angst suggested new signage at boat launches to consolidate and “clean up” the myriad of signs that exist at the launches today.
- Kevin Henderson suggested adding the topic of new lakeside address signs and the relevance of the LL numbering system to the agenda at the upcoming annual meeting in June. Debbie volunteered to help Rich Siok develop the agenda.

LLLMD Update: Jane Larsen reported:

- A Municipal Land Planning Committee has been formed to research, evaluate and develop recommendations for a longer range plan for the golf course and all buildings and grounds on the 9 acre parcel.
- Jane reiterated that the water ski ordinance may be challenged to allow omitting having a spotter in the tow boat during specific limited hours.
- New weed harvester will be operational this season.
- The Deakin Island bridge will be rebuilt in the fall.

- Flag Island was sold to the Sergi's and will be renamed Nick's Island. The LLIA's involvement with the island is not expected to change.

KMLT Update: No report.

Walworth County Lake Association: Jim "Corky" Corcoran reported:

- Corky reported on key topics from the last meeting. The primary meeting focus was on watershed issues. Fortunately, virtually none of the problems faced by others had relevance to Lauderdale.
- The attendees continue to share ideas and expertise with each other. For example, we may be able to engage UW—Whitewater students to help with crib-building as we teach them how to construct the cribs.
- It was reported that zebra mussels are starting to reappear in some area lakes.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting (Don Henderson), seconded (Mike Barrett) and approved by the Directors.

Next Meeting: Annual Meeting, Saturday, June 11, 9:00 at Lutherdale

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Storandt, Secretary