

LAUDERDALE LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Directors Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2022

Meeting called to order:

President Rich Siok called the meeting to order (via ZOOM) at 9:05 am.

Roll Call:

The following Directors and Officers were present:

Mike Barrett	Don Henderson	Nila Siok
Amber Bixler	Sue Markus	Rich Siok
Oscar Cantu	Sara Nason	Pete Spaulding
Jim Corcoran	Elisabeth Partyka	Dave Stang
Mark Curcio	Lynette Rullmann	Gary Storandt
Jim Dion	Herb Sharpless	Jeff Vogt

Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2022 Directors Meeting (Rich Siok), seconded (Don Henderson) and approved by the Directors.

Agenda:

A motion was made to approve today's agenda (Don Henderson), seconded (Jim Dion) and approved by the Directors.

Treasurer's Report: Herb Sharpless reported:

- The LLIA has done well financially in 2022. A small loss was originally projected but we are expected to finish the year in the black due to generous donations.
- Membership has reached 712.
- A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report (Don Henderson), seconded (Elisabeth Partyka) and approved by the Directors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fish: Jim "Corky" Corcoran reported:

- The 2023 Hardwater Heroes ice fishing event will be held on January 28 to support veterans and first responders.
- Fishapalooza—now in the early planning stages—is scheduled to be held February 11, 2023. Corky announced that he is now talking to a possible candidate to replace him as the organizer of Fishapalooza.

Water Quality: Mark Curcio reported for Dave DeAngelis:

- Mark reported that the last samples for the season were collected in late August.

- At least one new meter (testing device) will likely need to be purchased in the near future. Corky Corcoran volunteered that he may be in a position to donate used meters to the Water Quality committee, assuming that the devices are in good working condition. Herb Sharpless invited Mark to add the expense to his budget if necessary.

Communications & Membership: Gary Storandt reported:

- The Fall/Winter issue of ShoreLines is just getting underway and will likely mail in mid-December. Directors were encouraged to contribute pictures, recipes, etc. to the Members Post section of the newsletter.
- To be more timely, we will now post ShoreLines for online readership as soon as available, rather than wait for the printed version to mail.

Website: No report.

History: No report.

Nominating: Jim Dion reported:

- Jim is recruiting a director for District #4 to replace retiring Pete Spaulding.
- He is also seeking director candidates for District #2.

Planning & Zoning: Don Henderson reported:

- New lakeside address signs for La Grange Township have all been distributed. Signs for Sugar Creek residents will arrive in the spring.
- The Town election will be held next year. Anyone choosing to run must apply by January 4, 2023.
- The new Deakin Isle bridge is coming along nicely. It should be partially operable by mid-December and will be paved by late May 2023.

Water Safety: No report.

Property: No report.

Unfinished Business

- Sue Markus announced that The DNR Healthy Lakes & Rivers Grant Program now has its first 2 projects approved—one in Bubbling Springs and the other on Deakin Isle. Amber Bixler added that the application process went more smoothly than expected. Herb Sharpless suggested that this news be included in the next issue of Shorelines. Sue—at Rich Siok's suggestion—provided Directors with a brief program overview.
- Herb Sharpless provided an update on last season's Purple Loosestrife eradication efforts which were considered successful. Herb noted that he was very grateful for the help of two volunteer assistants.

- Rich announced that he will engage the Executive Committee in a discussion on finding new project for the Lake Preservation Fund to support. Corky Corcoran suggested that if the WDNR continues to delay providing us with a proper survey of our fishery we might consider using the Fund to engage a private contractor to conduct the survey next fall. Corky will touch base with the DNR and obtain pricing from private resources.

New Business

- **Proposed Budget:** Herb Sharpless presented the proposed 2023 budget. Our financial position is strong. While a slight deficit is projected, as in past years, we fully expect to finish in the black. Herb noted that the healthy balance in the Lake Preservation Fund provides us with an opportunity to support new projects. Both Herb and Rich Siok thanked Debbie and Joe Ferrari for donating their time to helping us complete the new LLIA tax return that is required due to our increased income.

A motion was made (Gary Storandt) to approve the proposed 2023 budget as presented, seconded (Don Henderson) and approved by the Directors.

- Rich Siok reiterated that Debbie Ferrari still needs volunteers to help with the next Directory issue. Further, Corky Corcoran is looking for volunteers to help plan and execute the next Fishapalooza on February 11, 2023.
- Rich Siok invited one or two LLIA volunteers to attend the upcoming DNR Wisconsin Lakes seminar in Steven's point (expenses paid by the LLIA). Sue Markus, Amber Bixler and Elisabeth Paryka to discuss and advise.
- Peter Spaulding noted that the maintenance of Flag Island (now Nick's Island) will henceforth be assumed by the new owners, the Dominic Sergi family.

LLLMD Update: No report.

KMLT Update: No report.

Walworth County Lake Association: No report.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting (Gary Storandt), seconded (Jim Dion) and approved by the Directors.

Next Meeting: Saturday, February 18, 2023, 9:00 a.m. via ZOOM

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Storandt, Secretary

