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| **Attendees:**  Phil Bowman  Bart Halling  Sheri Wallace  Erin Wombacher  **Absent:** Jane Anderson  **Location:** Zoom  <https://zoom.us/j/5094532775?pwd=SVBSYWZ3YkJXa1FCdTlxQkVtaGVuZz09&omn=99585213467>  Meeting ID: 509 453 2775  Passcode: 836494 | **Agenda:**   * Approve Minutes from January 15 * Approve Financials, will have summary for meeting * Review Action Items from previous meeting * Bow Fishing Update (LMCD) - Jane * Carp Fest Update - Bart   + entertainers? * Oktoberfest Survey Results * Monthly Community Event * Not so Frozen Funday - Bart please bring update from Kari * Update on Rain Barrels |
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### Document Links

[Last Board Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/file/d/1d0_F_0noUnNNrEF9cjzSbB-VAngLvGfF/edit?usp=docslist_api&filetype=msword)

**Action Items Update January Meeting**

* Carp Fest - **June 15th** - The Abider ($400), Sweet Briar ($200) - need more investigation on their music.
  + Bart will talk to Karl/Julie about possible bands and Erin will pursue connections with Rolling Stoners.
    - Bart doing dinner with Karl & Julie on 1/21
    - Erin still pursuing alternative band option pricing and availability
  + Hometown Heros Bow Fishing Night Tournament is **June 15th (per Jane, not completely locked in).**
* Sheri - share the results from Painter’s Creek research and aging research - share with Board
  + Will be shared in February
* Follow-up with the LMCD to get approval for open night time bow fishing and put some ideas for Bowfishing event - Jane & Bart
  + Ben is investigating why bowfishing was banned and if we can lift the ban for our 3 bays.
  + Idea is to do bowfishing 16 times, twice a week for 8 weeks this spring
* Erin - Signing up for Spirit of the Lakes Parade for 2024
* Jane - to speak with 2 Mikes Fertilizer regarding orders and fulfillment.
* Sheri & Bart - Oktoberfest Survey - Board approved the survey based on the questions/content email on 12/12 & 12/13. Bart will submit email content and work with Sheri on the execution.
* Group - Is Bag event still planned? If so, has a permit application been submitted?
* Group - has the results from the scientific study regarding the impact of wake boats been completed?
* Sheri/Jane - are we using our event signs for the blood drive on 2/22?

### Goals for 2024

The goal is to have more fun and less stress regarding fundraising events. These included:

1. A member had suggested having a corn-hole tournament (Or community Event)
2. Community tie up in the bay (Or Community Event) - Monthly Happy Hr & Game night?
3. Carpfest - moving it to June 15
4. Educational event for the Rain Garden (May 18, 2024) on Apple Lane
5. Advocacy for Cardinal Lane
6. Rain Barrel education, sale, and distribution (144 rain barrels)
7. July 4th Boat Parade
8. Planned Happy Hours
9. Bow Fishing event (June 15)
10. LMCD Open Bow Fishing

### Approved Budget for 2024 (12.11.2023)

| Category | 2024 Budget Amount | 2023 Actual | Notes |
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| Administration (Includes tech & insurance | 1,200 | 1,150 |  |
| Communication  (Printed Education Materials) | 2,000 | 2,078 | May Newsletter was $785 |
| Fundraising  (incl digital fees & event) | 2,500 | 1,763 |  |
| Carp \* dependent on long term strategy - gathering data | 10,000 | 1,835 | We raised 3597 in revenue, additional 8300 for PIT (3) antenna grants in P.C. |
| Soak it Up (H2OQ) | 3,000 | 2,126 | We raised 2,098 in revenue |
| AIS | 15,000 | 10,118 |  |
| Community (includes welcome bags, events & volunteer appreciation | 2,500 | 332 |  |
| Advocacy/Education Membership | 150 | 150 | MN Rivers & Lakes Membership |
| **Total** | **36,350** | **19,552** |  |

### Meeting Notes

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Approved minutes from the January 15 meeting - motion made and seconded. Motion carried.

Approved financials - motion made and seconded. Motion carried.

Membership in 2024 - Bart volunteered to draft an email reminding members to renew their membership for 2024.

Carpfest - Julie and Karl gave recommendations for talent for Carpfest 2024, which included Sweetbriar. They also recommended to grow the event gradually, and appreciate what it is - a celebration of our community. Sheri also mentioned Benny James could be another act we could introduce. Estimated rate would be $150 - $200. A tentative plan for Benny James to be an opening act, Sweetbriar as a warm up for Julie and Karlos and then the Abiders be the headliner. Should it rain, the event will be moved to June 16. Bart suggested having t-shirts available to purchase. Bart will ask Anna to design a look/logo. Erin connected with a few bigger bands, including Rolling Stoners, however they were either not available or minimum cost would be $3000 - $5000 per band.

Painters Creek - Sheri emailed the migration report to the board and has saved it on the Google Drive under Carp

Bowfishing Nights - Jane is in communication with Ben Brandt. Bart would like to attend the meeting with Ben. We decided to do a zoom. Sheri will organize.

* + Ben is investigating why bowfishing was banned and if we can lift the ban for our 3 bays.
  + Idea is to do bowfishing 16 times, twice a week for 8 weeks this spring

Spirit of the Lakes - parade sign up is not yet open.

2 Mikes - Jane reached out to see when orders may be fulfilled, and is awaiting a reply. Plan is to order some additional fertilizer to be able to sell at events including Carpfest and Oktoberfest. Plan was to order 30 quarts to be stored at Erin Wombacher’s garage.

Oktoberfest Survey - the survey was submitted and there were 13 responses. Agreement that Monday was a good night to have it, the cost to attended was reasonable, live music was not important but would pay more if there was live music. Majority responded that they were either satisfied or extremely satisfied with the event, the organization of the event, the silent auction items, and the online bidding. Mostly neutral on the games. Comments included - “food was awesome”, “need more volunteers”, “wine draw a big hit”. Erin has volunteered to head up the Oktoberfest event for 2024.

Monthly event - Sheri proposed that each month someone volunteers to host an event as a way to continue to get to know your neighbor and unit the community. This could include a float, a bonfire, game of bags, etc. Can be something very simplistic. At this time, the 3rd Sunday of each month has been put on the calendar. Sheri is taking May. Erin will take July. Bart will take September. Phil will take October.

Frozen Funday - February 25 - Noon to 6 pm at Back Channel for Harrisons Bay Association

Water Quality Updates

* The H2OQ committee will be meeting on February 29th to plan for the spring events

Rain Barrels - Sales start March 1. There will be two different sites - 1 for Harrisons Bay and 1 for Minnetrista. We will be giving 1 barrel away at Carp Fest. Distribution will be on May 4. Phil, Bart and Bill will assist with the distribution of the rain barrels.

Apple Lane Rain Garden Planting event will be on May 18. Details will be shared at the next Board Meeting.