



The Watkins Lakefront Owners Association, Inc.

Website: www.watkinslakeassociation.com

WLOA Meeting Draft Minutes Sep 20, 2022

I. Call to Order (Steve Miller)

The Meeting was called to order at 7:02

II. Secretary's Minutes Review and Approval (John Casey)

Minutes were approved.

III. Treasurer's Report (Ken Harrison)

Expenditures were in line with the budget and the Ford Money Market Account was closed and moved as planned. No unusual items were discussed.

IV. Standing Committee Reports

A. Communications Report-Website (Michael Hauswirth)

561 People used the website last month. If people want content on the site, they need to send it to Mike for posting. The riparian's need to create the content and Mike will post to keep the site current. This is not a interactive site, it is a information sharing web site – not tied to social media and similar systems. The Web Site has some cool capabilities like "E Mail Blasts" work – like the Cat in the Hat toy.

B. Lake Board Report

The lake quality is fine and there is no need to meet until 2023.

C. Lake Quality Reports (Mike Hauswirth)

a. Harvesting & Claudia Park Report

Stopped cutting on August 31 and immediately afterward a "Water Celery" started to appear. It is uncertain to the cause of the Water Celery. A follow up clean up was launched. For 2023, the harvesting team needs some younger and Mechanical people are being sought. Cleaning the canal is difficult due to width limitations and it was not cleaned as much as desired due to mechanical and weather issues. This will be a 2023 priority. Some cash will be needed to maintain the harvester, truck and the conveyor. Mike will do the estimating and submit it for the 2023 budget. One option was discussed for the canal clean up to have a smaller machine brought in. This option will be considered.

b. Storm Drain Project Update – No Report

D. Water Quality Report (Dave Hansz)

The water quality is within county recommended limits. This year the water is slightly less clear than in past years

E. Activities Committee Report (Lindsey Broadwell) – No Report

F. Boat and Park Committee Report (Kelly Lynch)

August 31 was the start of the personal code system. It is working well with minimal issues during the start up phase.

V. President's Report /Comments (Steve Miller)

May need to update the By Laws to reflect the evolution of changes that have occurred – Like Gate Codes etc. Budget items are needed for consideration in the 2023 budget, like repairs to the Boat Ramp and Dock. \$11, 500 will be proposed for a Lake water quality assessment most recently performed in 2015. The report is useful to identify actions people can take to improve the quality of the lake.

VI. Old Business

The standard draw down will occur on October 15. The more aggressive draw down will be considered in future years.

VII. New Business

- A. 2023 Meeting dates and Conference Room request
- B. We will be learning how to effectively deal with the new personalized lake access. We will learn through the experiences that surface.
- C. Dave Shaw recommended the creation of a committee on invasive species. There is a need for communication and riparian education. The Web site will be investigated as a place for this information. Dave will reach out to the DNA on their recommendations.
- D. Coyotes have been seen near Watkins Lake Road and Covert.

VIII. Adjournment occurred at 7:55

2022 Meeting Dates: January 18, 2022, March 22nd, May 17th, July 19th, September 20th, November 15th

2023 Planned Meeting Dates (3rd Tuesday – Odd numbered Months): January 17, 2023, March 21, May 16, July 18, Sep 19, Nov 7 (Note: 1st Tuesday due to Deer Hunting Season)

