

Moose Lake News by

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I would like to apologize to my readers for leaving out this copy of the Moose Lake News over the past few weeks. I was on a two and one half week vacation to Canada visiting my good friend Mike Henry. Mike lost one of his cabins to the major forest fires that occurred in Canada this past summer. Mike suffered a \$350,000.00 loss because of the fire. Mike did have insurance but as we know, insurance does not cover everything. His new replacement cabin is scheduled to be completed by Oct 1st.

Moose Lake Improvement Association Board Meeting Minutes September 3, 2026

Meeting was called to order by President Gilkey at 9:15 at Louie's Landing

Board Members present: Gilkey, Koehler, Kuchta, Hostetler, Mitchell, McDonald, Nelson and Stryker

Guests: Mike Felder, Fred Haak and Joel Miller

Adoption of Agenda with Flexibility: Hostetler moved to accept, seconded by Kuchta. Unanimously approved.

Approval of July 4 Board Meeting Minutes: Koehler mover to accept as written, seconded by McDonald. Unanimously approved.

Treasurers Report: Kuchta presented the Treasurer's report advising that after expenses for June and July that there remains in the account \$9,894.59. There are no anticipated major expenses in the coming months other than for the Directory costs which should be offset by income from the sale of ads.

Membership Report: Kuchta reported that there were 230 members with 190 having paid dues for the upcoming year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Library Box Location and Acknowledgement: Kuchta and Seifriz were commended by the board for their efforts in establishing the free library box at the Fire Station on Pine Point Road. This project will be added to the web site of M.L.I.A. and a blast email will be sent to all members advising them about the completion of this project and use of this free service.

Buoy Update: Gilkey reported that with the lake levels continuing to decline there is a possibility that the buoys might have to be removed early. Miller also informed the Board that this year's removal will most likely have to be done by lighter boats instead of the pontoon boat normally used. Miller also advised that he has been putting out temporary buoys around recently exposed rocks.

Flower Beds: McDonald brought up that the railroad ties on the Pine Point Flower Garden need to be replaced. Kuchta agreed to locate replacements and will get an Ad Hoc group together to repair the flower bed this fall.

MLIA Directory: Stryker agreed to take over the coordination of this yearly project from Hosteter. Individual Board members will follow up with those who have placed ads in the past for any changes or additions and to hopefully find new advertisers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Plaque for Jeff Williams on Folsom Island: Gilkey will coordinate with Mike Williams a tribute to Jeff on Folsom Island: Details to be worked out but all agree it's a great way to say thanks and to carry on his memory here on Moose Lake.

Welcome Committee: Stryker agreed to chair this committee, which had lapsed in recent years. The Board welcomes her experience in this area.

Public Shelter Area on Little Moose River: Koehler agreed to chair a clean-up committee to bring this area up to the standard set at Folsom Island. The project will hopefully start this fall with bush whacking the overgrowth assuming access isn't prevented by low water.

Website Update: Haak will be adding new pictures to the MLIA website of the recent completed projects by the Board. Many thanks to Fred Haak for his continued devotion to maintaining our website.

New Projects: The board was challenged by President Gilkey to come up with new projects for the upcoming year in our quest to continue with improving our lake community.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Town Of Round Lake Liaison (Strandland): No report, Fire Department Liaison (Feldner): Feldner reported that the Fire Department recently took delivery of a Heavy-Duty Recon Truck. Another truck needs to be replaced once funds are available and a vehicle is found. Results of the Fire Fest are not final, but Feldner reported that this year's net income exceeded last year. Congratulations to all involved in making this happen.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 until the next monthly meeting on October 1 at 9:00 at Cristina's Y Pine.

Birthday greetings are extended to Donna Sroczynski on Sept. 20th, Mike Dombeck on the 21st, Sue Niemann & Bob Steinmetz on the 22nd, Dan Rozanski on the 23rd, Tom Kohler on the 26th, Ray Whaley & Ruth Briggs on the 27th, and Kayla Fullington, Megan Steinmetz & Carol Walburg on the 28th. Happy Birthday to you all!

Happy Anniversary to the following couples. Rich & Lori Good on Sept. 16th, Eric & Kristy Licciardi on the 18th, Jeff & Jodi Hotvet also on the 18th, and Chad & Laura Schroeder on the 23rd, Chad and Amanda Iverson on Oct 1st, Mike Fastner and Megan Babb on Oct. 7th. I would

like to wish my wife Barb a happy Anniversary on October 10th. Happy Anniversary to anyone that we may have missed.

Stay safe everyone and enjoy our beautiful weather. Please send your items of interest to my e-mail address at emta984@gmail.com or call my landline at 715-462-4448 or my cell at 715-577-8880. Moose Lake Improvement association website is <http://mliahaywardwi.org> The Town of Round Lake Web