

Moose Lake News

By Jim Onarheim

Moose Lake Improvement Association Board Minutes September 4th, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President Cary McDonald at 9:00am at Y-Pines bar and restaurant. Board Members absent: Brown, Gilkey, Hostetler, Koehler (McDonald had proxy for Koehler & Hostetler).

A Special Welcome to our two new members, Jen Seifriz and Bill Nielsen. Guests: Mike Feldner, Doc Grayson, Joel Miller, Jim Onarheim. Adoption of agenda with flexibility, Kuchta moved to accept as written, seconded from the floor motion passed.

Approval of June 5th, 2025, minutes. Linahon moved to accept as written, seconded by Kuchta, motion passed. Approval of the July 15th minutes, Jeff Williams moved to accept as written, seconded by Kuchta, passed. Treasurer's Report: Kuchta walked us through the account activity and explained a minor discrepancy with our bank that will be cleared up by next meeting.

Membership: Kuchta reported that he sent out 250 notices, currently there are 198 paid memberships. He suggested that we clean up the mailing list by taking all those names that have not responded to our mailings as of the end of 2023 drive, and going forward having a one-year cushion, this would affect twenty-four individuals. The board liked that idea and encouraged that action.

Old Business: Mike Dombeck's presentation: Cary McDonald thanked Y-Pines for hosting the follow-up presentation, and for Mike Dombeck being flexible and giving his annual meeting presentation at the later date to a packed house at Y-Pines on Saturday August 30 at 9 AM.

Mike has been a Moose Lake native and a resident for many years. Mike gave a 20–30-minute overview of the Chequamegon National Forest and upcoming projects for our area. Mike covered the following items during his presentation.

- What is going to happen to our forest in the future?
- Why these changes are being made.
- How you can get involved in managing our National Forest.

Mike's talk, "The Moose-Two Axe Project Plans: What's Happening in the National Forest in Our Backyard," provided us with valuable, practical information for anyone who cares about the future of our forest. We know everyone enjoyed the information that he provided to the audience. If you were in attendance, please share the information that you received with other people in our area. This is so everyone is updated on what is happening with our National Forest!

Moose Lake Buoy Update:

Doc reported they are ready to remove the buoys when the time comes but would sure like warmer weather. Doc Grayson announced that he will be involved in the organizational aspects of the buoys but is stepping back from actual pickup and deployment of the floats. Joel Miller will continue with our help with our buoys. Thank You Doc for all your years of service!

DNR Warm Water Committee: Ted Eisenbacher reported that the committee does not meet until September 13th. He will report to our Board of Directors after Their meeting.

Trash pickup from Folsom Island and Little Moose River: Cary McDonald asked for thoughts on how we wanted to cover this. He will discuss this more at our next meeting.

New Business: By-laws: McDonald brought two policy questions he would like the board to discuss at our next meeting. What should our protocol be if we have to cancel a meeting and how do we replace someone on board if we need to?

Directory: Doug Kuchta asked all members present that all directory advertisers should have their artwork and payment in by October 1st, Are there any comments about this? Also are there any ideas for a better system to collect the money?

Wolf Island boat landing dock: Tom Koehler will be sharing a budget and plan to complete this fall. Boat Landing information board: Cary McDonald questioned if we would need such a board at each Moose Lake boat landings. This will be discussed at our October meeting.

Other Ideas: Discussion on upgrading the Welcome to Moose Lake signs. AED training sessions for members. We now have Automatic External Defibrillators at all three of our bar / restaurants in the Moose Lake area.

Additional Items: Library Book Boxes: Ideas to be discussed at the October meeting.

Town of Round Lake: Feldner reported for Jim Strandlund that work to be done on Moose Lake Road is still in place but only from F.R. 319 to CTH A. CTH S to 319 is still in question. There will be more on this as it becomes available.

Town of Round Lake Fire Department: Mike Feldner reported that the Fire calls have been down for a month. There have been more EMS calls than normal. They did assist Stone Lake Fire Department on a fire.

The Fire Festival was a success; final numbers will be announced in the near future. Doug Kuchta moved to adjourn, seconded by Jeff Williams @ 10:03am. Our next meeting will be on October 2nd, 2025 @ Louie's Landing. Ted Eisenbacher Sec.

On this week's Pod Cast episode of John Myhre's Northland Bass'in #9 John Myhre interviewed Fishing Guide Jarrett McCarthy at Hayward Bait and Bottle. He also interviewed Bass Tournament angler Ken Miender about fall fishing and also fall bass fishing. Tune in for some valuable fishing information. Go to wnoradio.com or go to northlandbassin.podbean.com.

Birthday wishes this week would go out to Tom Rudolph on the 4th of September, Lise Holguin on the 5th, Lynn Egge on the 6th, Bob Zaborsky, and longtime past resident Ethel Richter on the 8th of September. On Sept. 9th Laura Berlage and Fred Taylor both have birthdays. Tom Thiergartner on the 10th, Jerome Johnson the 12th, Ann Berlage the 13th, Nancy Frisbee the 14th, Ryan Ross the 15th, Donna Siroczynski on the 20th, Mike Dombeck on the 21st, Sue Niemann and Bob Steinmetz on the 22nd. Our final two birthdays in these two weeks are Dan Rozanski and Larry Briggs both have their birthday on the 23rd of September. Happy birthday to all of you.

Anniversaries greetings in these two weeks are extended to Doug and Brianne Sanders on the 8th of September, Tom and Mary Steinmetz on the ninth, Rich, and Lori Good on the 16th, Eric & Kristy Licciardi and Jeff and Jodi Hotvet both couples have their anniversary on the 18th of September.

Stay safe everyone and enjoy your week with beautiful weather, wonderful comfortable temperatures, and possibly some moisture in the forecast. Please send your items of interest to my new e-mail address 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 site is <https://www.townofroundlakewi.org> and the Round Lake Fire Department website is <https://townofroundlakefire-rescue.org> JO.