

WOODBECK CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting
Wendi & Norm Davidson's House
February 26, 2024 at 6:30 PM

In attendance: Mike Liden, Chris Decker, Kim Covell, Norm Davidson, Deb Eaton, Ed Armbruster, Kevin Bird, Phil Sliva, Angie Peterman, Kevin Martin, Marilyn Klemm, Kris Ferguson, Bruce Veldman, Wendi Davidson, Don Hoogerhyde, Tom Reynhout, Marty Scheel, Robin Scheel

Absent: Tom Meyer, Nan Holmes, Tom VanPortFleet, Jake Dayringer, Bob Darvill, Aaron Antcliff, Candi Ritsema

Called to order at 6:30 pm by Wendi who welcomed everyone.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Secretary- Minutes were emailed to the board. One correction, corrected writer of Winter Plants article to Marilyn Klemm. Bruce motioned to accept minutes, Phill seconded, motion passed.

President's Report- Wendi attended the social dinner, communicated with PLM and Bob Darvill.

Treasurer- Bruce reviewed the treasurers report. He reported that we had 71 paid members. We paid \$2,500 for the survey fee to PLM. GMAS is now \$25 a month, previously was \$19. Angie said that we're switching platforms anyway. Bruce sent advertising invoices for a year. Kris motioned to accept the treasurer's report, Wendi seconded, motion passed.

Fish Plant- Don will decide on fish plant when he is back. Taking down fence tomorrow. Don said he or Ed will send a new code once the fence is down. He thinks Tom Meyer is storing the fence. Camp Concordia can't have people on property until the state approves. Affects our boat launch. There's a new Director. Craig is there until this year then will be turned over to the new Activities Director. Approval is needed annually from the state to operate the camp, not the boat launch, but Craig included it.

Lake Quality & Sustainability- Wendi reported for Bob. She emailed this year's PLM contract to Chris, Kevin, and Tom R. Tom asked if we had previous contracts, which Wendi didn't have those available, but said that he could contact Jayme at PLM or the township. Bob said last years higher cost was due to no freeze. Chris Decker is looking at invoices and cost. Tom sent an email with concerns. He noticed PLM didn't finish the last treatment due to funds. Schedule of lake treatment will come out in spring. Chris, Tom, and Kevin to continue the review. From 2002 to 2011 Chris did weed control, they worked through a five-year contract. Didn't know when association stopped being the one to communicate with PLM. The Treasurer of Oakfield Township, Larry Parker, used to set the rate and amount divided by number of plots. It looks like we are in a year to year now. Bruce said that when it was a five-year, we had to get all houses to sign off and there were lawyer fees. 2002 expected annual cost was \$40,000. Believe we paid about \$43,000 last year. Chris noted big difference in price between systematically vs identified.

Wendi wants to put Chris Decker, Kevin Bird, and Tom R on a Sustainability Committee with closer communication with PLM, Bruce agreed. Norm asked if PLM has competition. Tom said there's other lake management companies and we should be getting quotes. Bruce said we did a five-year term last time. Greg Dean signs the contract. Norm suggested that we provide a contract to competitor. Set up time to meet with Jayme from PLM and competitor prior to season. It was asked why don't we see the invoices? Do we need to let the Township know? Bruce said that WCLA had to get Township on board to set up the program. Wendi to follow up with committee in a few weeks. Mike Liden to also be part of the committee. Bruce made a motion to make a Sustainability Committee, Kim Covell seconded, motion passed.

Mapping- Wendi received paper copies. She said the samples showed more information that isn't shown on our copies. She doesn't think that we got everything that we paid for. She let Bob know.

Welcome Committee- Phil, nothing new to report.

Social- Wendi reported there will be a Ladies Wine & Charcuterie night at Katherine Wolthuis's home on Thursday, March 14 at 6:00pm. It will be \$15ea person to go toward the wine. Wendi requested \$40 for the charcuterie. Kris made a motion to approve the \$40, Kim seconded, motion passed.

Elvis is Saturday, July 6 (not a WCLA event). If anyone hears when fireworks will be happening, please let Wendi know. Boat parade will be on Sunday, July 7 - if anyone has fun ideas let her know. The end of March is the next social dinner.

Annual Meeting- Annual meeting must be at the end of August. August 31st is the only day available, so far it's tentative.

Pancake Breakfast- Wendi reported that it will be June 1st. We no longer have Caroline. We'll either need volunteers or hire someone. Decided to book camp because it was being looked at for that date and may not be available if we wait. Nan may ask Caroline to cook.

Meal Train- Wendi reported that deaths were added to meal train. Mara had sent Wendi a draft meal train letter for deaths. Wendi read it and proposed that we accept it, Phil seconded, motion passed.

Golf Outing- Kevin meeting with Candlestone this week.

Kayak Event- Ed and Kevin reported that Kayak Poker event will be Saturday, August 3rd. Ed to let the association know what is needed from them. Might have to do four lakes instead of three because it gets done so quickly. Two cards would be given out on Banks. Looking for volunteers. Bruce said that he can do Woodbeck. We need volunteers for Banks, Thomas, and Half Mile. Kayak will start about 1:00pm, band starts at 3:00pm.

Waterline- Bruce report that the next Waterline edition is in May. Bruce to coordinate with advertisers.

Communications- Angie reported that the package deal with MailChimp with texting and email will be \$33 a month for both. She will send an email with how to sign up for text messaging. Also, can send more emails at a time whereas GMAS limits daily emails.

New Business-

Board Positions- Candie Ritsema is the new Social Director, Nan to help her. Potentially have a replacement for Bruce, Jayme Skinner is interested. Wendi to put her in contact with Bruce and she would need to be a Board Member.

Old Business-

Lake Directory- Phil has eight contributors so far. He's looking for Lakeside pics. Once he has a few more will have Angie do a blast.

Code- Kris F reminded everyone to check the list before giving out the code, including for Board Members. Cannot say the code in meetings unless everyone has paid their dues.

PLM Testing- Chris D said the testing is supposed to be on the website, he didn't see it. Kris to send it to Angie to post it on website.

Bruce motioned to close the meeting at 7:38, Chris Decker, seconded, motion passed.

Submitted by: Kris Ferguson, WCLA Secretary

Meetings and Events:

- Pancake Breakfast – Saturday, June 1, 2024
- Poker Kayaking Event– Saturday, August 3, 2024
- Golf Event – Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Candlestone
- Annual Meeting – *Tentative* for Saturday, August 31, 2024
- Camp Greenwood Workaday –
- Halloween Party –
- Cornhole & Chili Cookoff-
- Christmas Party –
- Cookie Exchange –
- Sledding Event –
- **Board Meetings:**
- Monday, May 13, 2024, 6:30pm, location TBD
- Monday, July 8, 2024, 6:30pm, location TBD
- Annual Meeting – August 2024, date, and location TBD
- Monday, September 9, 2025, location TBD
- Monday, November 11, 2025, location TBD