



General Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday September 19, 2026

President: Scott Smith
VP: Matt Lordier
Treasurer: Russ Smith
Secretary: Linda Snider

The meeting was called to order on Saturday September 19th at 9:02am, by Scott Smith, President. Location-Sylvan Cellars. There were 31 people present, including all officers.

Shoreline Representatives:

East Side: Tyler Knox West Side: Jerry & Dorene Stahl

South Side: Gloria Combs North Side: Troy & Katie Lindley (**Absent**)

I. Old Business:

- a. Reading of the Minutes. A motion was made by Ty Knox to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded, and carried, by Mike VanWassenhove.
- b. Treasurer's Report. Russ Smith reported these balances as of 9/1/26:
 1. Checking Account \$11,153.75
 2. Savings Account \$29,401.87
 3. Checking Account for NCD \$8,321.61
- c. A motion was made by Mimi Paulus and seconded by Brian Snider to accept the report. Approved unanimously.

II. New Business

- a. Trash Pick Up
 - i. GFL (Green for Life) is our new county trash disposal company. Service will continue without interruption.
 - ii. Noble County Disposal had a rate increase set for 2027, but Russ reported that costs will not raise for now as the new company takes over.
- b. Membership Dollars
 - i. Matt brought up a concern that membership dues are never enough to cover weed spray in the case we are denied the LARE Grant money.
 - ii. Ideas include adding a DONTATION option on the membership form. Oliver & Pretty Lake already have this in place and report they bring in quite a bit of money doing this.
 - iii. Other ideas are bigger fundraiser opportunities: Lake wide garage sale, BINGO nights, etc.
- c. Lake Updates
 - i. Stocking of Walleye - Scott ordered 850 for fall 2026 stocking. The permit is ready to go. As of today, we are still waiting on a response from DNR. Scott has contacted them several times for a date to stock.
 - ii. Shoreline spray will increase to \$2.75 a foot.
 1. Several members are upset that flags are not posted in a timely manner, or at all, on days of the spraying.
 2. Mike Gigli asked for a map of who is getting shoreline spray, so we can make sure of accuracy.
 3. Scott Banfield stated that he would reach out to the DNR (Eric Fisher) about these concerns.



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- iii. Scott requests a motion to set aside \$10,000 to fund spraying (about 20% of what LARE Grant does not cover).
 - 1. Motion made by Tyler Knox, second by Matt Lordier – only 1 No vote, motion passes.
- iv. Speed Limit on 700S - Matt brought up concerns about residents on 700s who have out buildings on both sides of the road.
 - 1. Speeding is evident and dangerous for residents crossing road
 - 2. Matt will procure a flashing speed limit sign, for free, from the sheriff's office. We will give it a 2 month time to see its' effectiveness.
- d. Fundraisers
 - i. Raised \$1,605.62 this year on Pulled Pork and Merchandise Sales
 - ii. We will continue to look for better ways to fundraise.
- e. Lake Activities/Social Events
 - i. Goose Round Up – was successful, Bontrager Feedstore loaned us the trailer.
 - ii. 4th of July Boat Flotilla – a huge success, over 15 boats decorated with large crowds in the water watching. Pictures on website and Facebook
 - iii. Light Up the Lake – rescheduled on 9/5 due to weather. Pictures on website and Facebook
 - iv. NEW Events: Social on October 13th and December 15th at Sylvan Cellars. Details are on website and will be posted on Facebook
- f. Lake Quality/Weed Treatment- Presentation by Scott Banfield Aquatic Enhancements
 - i. Purpose of weed spray is to maintain the integrity of our lake and suppress invasive species.
 - ii. Current results of what is in our lake:
 - 1. Our main invasive species is Eurasian Milfoil. Scott found about 16 acres of this species this year – it was treated late spring.
 - 2. Curly Pond Leaf is our second species, but on 3 acres were found this year. This was not treated because it drops out after early July
 - 3. Our new invasive species this year is Starry Stone Wart. Probably brought in from a boat trailer/prop from another lake. Scott measured only 1 acre early this summer, then after a late summer survey it increased in size by 9%
 - 4. Illinois Pond weed (native perennial) was up this year causing trouble for boat traffic. However, we have 11 species of native plants that cannot be sprayed- we must file a petition with the



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- DNR and show just cause for any spraying of native plants. Very hard to get approval
- iii. Water clarity was improved this year
- iv. Final report of all sampling points on our lake will be finalized and given to us by the DNR by late November.

g. Communication

i. President Position Open

1. Scott Smith's second term is up and he is not renewing.
2. Nominations will be accepted at Spring Meeting with a vote to follow.

III. **Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn was made at 10:15 by Deb Trigg with a second by Mike Vanwassenhove.

Minutes submitted for approval by Linda Snider, Secretary

Next meeting, May 22, 2027 at 9:00-10:30
am. Location Sylvan Cellars.

