

Sand Lake Meeting Minutes

May 24, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

The current balance in the account is \$10,669.19 and we have 21 paid members to date.

We used to contract with Beaver Creek for hiring for Clean Boats and Clean Waters projects, but they no longer want to come this far north. Margarete shared that an option was for the Board to be the employer and that is the route the Board is taking. We would only have to pay FICA and Medicare. We have two candidates, Anna and AJ, who will both share duties. We have more hours available for them now that we are no longer paying Beaver Creek for their services. With the Board becoming the employer, we are seeking volunteers to help with wages and filing taxes. Margaret's daughter, who is a lawyer, is looking into a liability waiver and the differences between an LLC vs Inc. to see what's the best option, now that we are an employer.

We have had six residents take advantage of the Surface Water Grant, which is intended to keep lakes clean by avoiding run off by putting a zone of plants between the lake and lawn. The DNR pays for 75% of the project. The lake association must pay the lake owner first before being reimbursed by the DNR. The Quady's are open to people coming to look at the options available to them if they are considering taking advantage of this grant.

It was brought to our attention by a resident that some owners may be raking leaves into the lake. The county and DNR do not want this or grass clippings from mowing disposed of in the lake. The lake cannot handle this, only what goes into the water naturally.

For our past winter project, the WRA and our volunteers bundled up brush for use this summer. The bundles are being stored Stan L's. Rocks were dropped on top of the brush bundles that were dropped in the summer of 2024. There are currently 12-14 fish cribs on the lake. There was a request for something on the south end also. Tim McCarthy is open to tree drops on his property. Steve Johnson was our Fish Habitat project coordinator and with his sudden passing, we need a new

person to work with the WRA, getting permits, fish cribs, rock and brush drops. Mike Motley has volunteered to take this project over.

There will be two coffees on the docks this summer. Joann Walker will host on June 21st from 9:30-11:00 and the Rogers will host July 12th from 9:30-11:00.

This year's annual meeting will be on August 9th and hosted at the Motley's (between Mary & Judy) N140 Sand Lake Rd. All 4 positions will be up for re-election this year. Al Lechleitner is looking to train or mentor someone for the treasury position.

As always there will be the Fourth of July Parade on the 4th at 12:00 starting on the northside of the lake by the Cook's. We are encouraging everyone with a watercraft to consider entering this year and providing some fierce competition.

Dave Quady attended the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention this past spring that involved anything to do with water in Wisconsin. This was funded by the Board. He gave a presentation on I-lids. There was a lot of new information and conversation on invasive species and grants on how to get them accepted. He felt it was a very good use of his time. There was a lot of information on what types of plants to plant, invasive species updates. It was a good way to stay up to date. It is confirmed that Goose Lake has a dam, but does not need any updates.

The fall meeting will be on August 30th at the Big Bend Townhall

There will be a Celebration of Life for Steve Johnson on July 19th. More details to come.

Motion for the meeting to be adjourned by Dave Quady. Marcia Lechleitner-1st and Steve McCarthy-2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 9:34.