

Pelican Lake Association Board of Directors Meeting

June 1, 2026 Schoepke Town Hall 6PM

1. Meeting called to order by President Tripp at 6PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Tripp
3. Quorum confirmed
4. Roll Call – Steve Tripp, Ted Nelson, Wayne Morgan, Lud Ludholz, Bob Mott- in person; Pat Schenk, Alex Rossman on Zoom
5. Proof of Notice- Ted stated May 10 on CC and PLA website
6. Approve agenda - Morgan motion; Lud 2nd Passed without objection 7-0
7. Approve minutes of April 27, 2026 BOD meeting; Discussion regarding the confirmation that Cason stated that they would share the lake survey information with only the BOD of the PLA. Alex confirmed that was the case. Let these minutes confirm that finding. Motion Mott; 2nd Nelson Passed without objection
Discussion that the minutes from the September 22, 2025 BOD meeting. Mott cannot find the minutes. The only purpose of the Special Meeting was to appoint two members to the BOD with terms that would last until the June 6, 2026 Annual Meeting. Tripp and Mott put together what was remembered and that information was shared with the rest of the BOD. There were no corrections or additions. Lud Ludholz and Alex Rossman accepted nomination to the BOD and were unanimously confirmed by vote of the BOD 5-0
Kerry suggested that the BOD doesn't have to wait a year to approve the minutes from the Annual meeting. Tripp stated that Roberts Rules of Order says that BOD can't approve the minutes from the Annual Meeting- only membership can do that. A quorum for the Annual meeting would be 10% of membership - 35 people.
8. Treasurer's Report- Morgan
 - a. Assets as of June 1, 2026 \$167,532.16
 - b. Liabilities and Equity \$ 167,532.16
 - c. There was \$ 133,474 at the end of 2025
 - d. Outstanding bill – Onterra \$ 8,000 + for the Annual Fall survey
 - e. Finance Committee which is independent of the BOD found an error. There was a discrepancy between what was reported in the Annual Newsletter and what the accounts showed. Several adjustments and some double entries were found to result in the differences. With the help of the Steiners, the accounts were corrected.
 - f. Suggested- a minimum of quarterly Financial Committee meetings to avoid similar situations in the future. Wayne suggests that responsibilities of Treasurer be split. Maybe Accounts payable; Accounts receivable; and

inputting the financial information. Pointed out that the By-laws say those are all the responsibility of the Treasurer. Suggested that the Treasurer could delegate those (or similar) responsibilities.

- g. Ed will report at the Annual Meeting.
 - h. Discussion regarding estimated large deficit yet coming out with positive cash at end of year. Usually underestimate income and overestimate expenses.
 - i. Discussion: Cash vs Accrual Accounting system
 - j. Approximately \$ 33,000 coming back from the DNR grant – final payment. Not sure if it will come in 2026 or 2027. That will affect the budget. Hard to account for that and also donations.
 - k. Motion Mott; 2nd Lud to accept the Treasurer's report Passed w/o opposition
9. Committee Reports
- a. Fundraising – Schenk – Help needed for Water Ski Show
 - b. Water Committee- Mott –
 - i. Kerry and Mary have been leading the Clean Boats/Clean Waters landing monitoring. All going well
 - ii. Request for Final Reimbursement for last years grant will go in soon
 - iii. Mott sent out requests for Proposals for weed harvesting for 2026. 5-6 companies were contacted. Some did not do that kind of wor. One proposal was received from Aquatic Plant management (APM) of Minoqua. They have done the weed work for the PLA the last several years. Part owner, Nick Johnson, will be the guest speaker at the Annual Meeting.
 - c. Land Use- Mary has been hard at work at the Buffer Zone site at the Schoepke Town Hall. The sign needs replaced. Roxy Sankey and Mary have done great work but more helpers are needed. There is also a need for help with adding to the split rail fence on the trail going down to the lakeshore. Steve's landscaper will continue to cut grass at the State Landing as a way for the PLA to help the manpower shortfall at the DNR.
 - d. Adopt-a-Highway Jim-
 - i. Saturday June 13. Meet at Schoepke Town Hall at 8:30
 - e. Fish/Wildlife – Scott
 - i. Spring spearing – about 500 walleye and 17 muskies. Natives can net to reach full quota- not sure if they will.
 - ii. DNR concerned with the number of musky speared in the winter which does not count against the quota allowed. DNR meeting will be held soon in that regard.

- iii. Some complaining about the 10 panfish limit. Mott pointed out that the change was driven by the PLA because of the small number of bluegills in lake. The 10 limit is meant to drive the size of panfish.
 - iv. Fish biologist will be invited to FunFest for informal discussion.
 - v. Will try to redo the sign at State Landing ;Keelers looks good.
 - vi. Discussion about Pelican Lake survey and how the information that the membership paid for will be shared. A committee led by Alex will investigate.
 - vii. Description on a free use life jackets in case lake users have need for one. Promote as a safety campaign. Question on liability.
- f. Boating Safety- Jim
- i. Buoys are out and 20 have been retired. May try to sell some at the SummerFest. Ideas shared. Price/Raffle/Auction?
 - ii. Adopt-a-Buoy. Cost \$ 175/buoy cost to put in and take out
 - iii. New buoy cost \$ 350/buoy
 - iv. Have enough in fund to put lights on each buoy
 - v. Donations for new buoys- let Steve, Wayne and Suz know so name and address recorded and recognition given.
 - vi. A \$ 4,000 donation from Mr. Miranda helped pay for new buoys.
 - vii. Maybe have graphics added to buoys for a cost
- g. Finance – Steve
- i. Proposed dues increase from \$ 25 to \$ 30. Dues have not been increased for at least 20 years.
 - ii. Lake Protection Raffle – usually raises \$ 8,000/year- same for 2027
 - iii. Water Ski Show \$ 5,000 down to \$ 3,000 for 2027
 - iv. Buoy Operational/Maintenance Fund
 - 1. \$ 10,000 donation (Steve and wife); \$ 10,000 blind raffle (Kerry)
 - 2. Will try to get a total of 3 years in fund to reach around \$ 30,000 to get a cushion. This will be a segregated fund that will allow for excess money in the fund will be allowed a different use.
 - v. \$ 1,000 for marketing- will support relationship with Nicolet College for website and other membership communication methods as well as having PLA name displayed in various business/nonprofit sites.
 - vi. Alex mentioned Google for Nonprofits as an example
 - vii. AIS treatment/ management will be less this year and probably 2027. Costs will be less
 - viii. \$ 8846 was a bill just received from Onterra for Fall 2025 survey

- ix. Winterfest own account- 2026 \$ 9,000 2027 \$ 9500
- x. Steve will buy a screen and projector for PLA
- xi. Projected deficit for 2026 projected \$ 35,932 Projected actual \$ 9,828
With 2027 positive \$ 6,607
- xii. Raffles appeared to be tapped out locally
- xiii. Motion to approve presented 2026 amended budget and 2027 budget
to Membership – Schenk 2nd Morgan Passed without opposition 7-0
- xiv. Alex and Steve will be doing Power Point
- h. Membership - Suz
 - i. Motion to raise dues from \$ 25/member to \$ 30/member Tripp 2nd Mott
Passed without opposition 7-0
 - ii. 195 paid through 2027; 183 paid through June 6, 2026; 61 paid
through June 2025
 - iii. Set up for Annual Meeting 3 pm Friday June 5. Pat will get
speaker/microphone for use at Annual Meeting

10. Old Business

- a. Progress on new website- Nicolet working with Ted and Alex. Good progress
made. New website would be more user friendly; features to allow more
options for volunteers/donations
- b. Jennifer the student worker associated with update would need a phone
number for PLA as well as a physical site for businesses/nonprofits. Agreed
to have Town of Schoepke address. Mott will share with town clerk. Looking
at Google Business
- c. Alex says that the group is looking for a good way to have all areas of the PLA
to be sustainable- so that each time new people take over that information is
readily available.
- d. Scott reported that Nathan of the DNR asked if the new lake survey could be
shared by the PLA. Scott said that how the survey would be shared will be
decided by committee.
- e. Nicolet College is very impressed with the number and variety of activities
engaged in by the PLA
- f. Scott suggests sending a newsletter to every resident/owner once every 5
years whether member or not to show what PLA does.

11. No complaints/changes to Annual Meeting agenda

12. Proxy form are available from Suz when people sign in

13. Kerry thanks BOD for a job well done. Still has concerns with filling open BOD
positions.

14. Motion to adjourn – Mott 2nd Ludholz Passed without opposition 7-0 Adjourned at
8:01

Submitted Bob Mott

Secretary