Silver Lake Association (SLA)

MEETING TYPE: **Regular**
MINUTES TYPE: **Proposed**

June Meeting Minutes

Date: **June 14, 2025**
Time: 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM
Location: Epworth Hall

I. **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Bob Capurso, President

II. **Meeting Attendance**

Roll Call

❖ **Executive Committee**

President – Bob Capurso
1st Vice President – Betsy Kent
Recording Secretary – Brian Kinsman
Communication Secretary – Michelle Hess
Treasurer – Cathy Volk

❖ **Attendance:**

Steve Re, Ron Norton, Karen Norton, Sally Capurso, Bonnie Bright, Frank Bright, Pete Balcom, Dave Boersma, Pete Gross, Mary Sclusa, Robert Stowell, Ed Baum, Jim Musclow, Kathie Musclow, Don Starner, DJ Starner, John Walker, Andrea Catena, M. Hanzly, M Hettler, S Hettler, Wilma Herman, Tim Herman, Leslie Kunze, Jean Trost, Ken Trost, Chuck Kent, Robert Michalski, Sharon Michalski, Aaron McConnell, Judy Baumer, Mary Kay barton, Greg Oakes, Bill Northrup, Owen Northrup, Mike Bellamy

Voting Directors/acting Alt. Dir./Exec. Comm. – 32
Others - 8
Total in attendance – 42

- **Pledge/Prayer**

- **Welcome-Bob C.**

- **What's New Around the Lake? Perry Market, Mac's, etc**
  - Anyone missing a blue kayak check with Jim Musclow he has had it for over a month
  - Perry market – Tops is buying it but it wont be a Tops branded market due to its size
  - Two pontoon boats have been able to go under Walker Rd Bridge

- **Approval of May Minutes – Thanks Brian**
  - Motion**:** Don Starner
  - Second: Pete Balcom

- **Treasurer's Report – Cathy Volk – Approval**
  - See attached report
  - Motion**:** Chuck Kent
    Second: Dave Boersma

- **Directories, Yellow Pages/Stickers /Placards – Betsy/Bob**
  - We have a new stock of placards available at the end of today's meeting
  - Had a hard time selling ads this year which made directories more expensive
    - Ad revenue usually hopes to cover directories but does not cover sales tax, yellow pages, etc.
    - Possible to reconsider how we approach directories in the future look to form a committee to work together on a plan for directories

- **Membership Packets – Bob C.**
  - With Betsy and available for pick up – include member listing
  - If you need changes made let Bob C know

- **Flares/Tins – Bob C. – Available today - $3.00 per flare. Last pick up is today.**
  - Remainder of flares and tins are available today
  - If you have extras before July 4th let us know

- **Boat Parade – Sally -July 4th Cartoon Creations**
  - We currently don't have any entrants – but can be normal leading up to the event lots of time entrants come when the school year is up
  - Prize is Give Perry gift certificate (good anywhere in Perry); proposes motion to purchase these gift cards for all entrants ($10/participant)
    - Motion**:** Don Starner
      Second: Bill Northrup

- **Veterans Launch and Lunch – Sally**
  - Scheduled for Friday August 1st
  - Flyers have gone out with additional information to veterans

- **Water Quality – Frank Bright /Kelly Paganelli**
  - See attached report
  - Approval to spray knotweed on the Silver Lake Country Club
    - Quote from A Tip – going to spray along Pvt Dr 1 and then all along Luther Road – permissions in place from all land owners thanks to Michelle Hess
    - Clean paying 1/3, Wyo Co to pay 1/3, SLA to pay 1/3 ($400)
    - Motion: Cathy Volk
      Second: Pete Balcom
    - Knotweed in SLI meadow Jill Knitter was made aware and has quote in hand to be dealt with – it is more than $1200 – how much would SLI contribute, how much from soil and water, how much from CLEAN, and SLA
      - The concern about a year ago was the expenditures on tree removal in the institute so the budget was minimal for additional projects
  - Golf Tournament has sold out
    - We need raffle baskets for the raffles
    - Please try to get one from each tract – the baskets generate about 25% of total revenue from the tournament
  - Question about weeds along Prentice tract – easiest way is to do the benthic mat less is more in terms of size here and rotate
    - A-Tip has permits to spray on the lake – no guarantee how long the spray would last or how effective it would be
    - Aquacide product is illegal – can only use that on a body of water completely contained on your property that has no outlet or inlet
    - Get quotes and bring about a partnership with SLA, CLEAN, soil and water
    - Weed harvesting machines unable to set up
    - DO not want to chop and drop because plant has nutrients so
    - Technically need DEC permit for weed mat – contact Director of DEC region 9
  - LWRP mtg 5/21 recap: a plan where there is representatives from SLA and CLEAN among others to improve the “lake” (access, quality, etc.)
    - Personal focus of SLA is to improve access through state park
    - LWRP is expanding area of improvements has gone into outlet and other areas look at QR code to view the lake areas they are focusing on
    - Final resting place of sediment from dredged material is the hold up in dredging completion – dewatering site is available but need final resting place

- **Facebook/Website – Michelle Hess**
  - All surveys from LWRP are available on CLEAN website
  - Continue to submit content for facebook or website

- Link for water level camera seems to have been dropped off of SLA website will check it out to make sure it is there and working

- **Homeowner of Distinction – Leslie Kunze**
  - Looking for people to nominate neighbors, friends, etc. It can be anyone that is within the Silver Lake Watershed
    - Please contact Leslie with any nominations

- **Old Business –**
  a. Still in need of Members for the Nominating Committee – have several positions to fill Cathy has stepped up for this but need another
  b. Need a small Ad Hoc committee to evaluate and update SLA By Laws – looking for committee members to volunteer to do this, getting minutes out in timely manner, other small items, etc.
  c. In need of Member to fill immediate position of Second Vice President. Up for nomination in August are Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Second Vice President (open) and President. – would like someone into Second VP role by August – this position is a support effort
     i. All positions are 2 year terms need to fill positions to continue SLA to be a relevant organization
  d. SLM Spring Open House June 21st – Not Participating – Capurso's are busy that day and no one able to man a table at this event
  e. Boater Safety Course – Had 25 participants pass the course. Much thanks to the Silver Lake Marine for hosting, Epworth Hall for providing chairs, and The Club at Silver Lake for providing tables.

- **New Business**
  - Next month Epworth Hall will be under construction just please don't go into basement and come in normal door
  - June 22nd memorial service for Ruth Lavin

- **Next Meeting – July 12 th 9:00 AM Epworth Hall**

- **Fun Theme – Boat or Sailing apparel**