

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes Association, Inc  
Board Meeting Minutes  
January 3, 2022  
Dayton Town Hall, Waupaca, WI

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Peterson at 9:06 a.m.

Present: Board Members Present - Jan Behnke (Webex), Susan Gaastra, Barry Gill, John Miller, Carl Nelson, Phil Peterson (Webex) Sharon Peterson (Webex), Rose Spaar, and Bob Underberg.

Executive Secretary Peggy Jesion

Absent: John Hebring and Lindsey Lewitzke.

Guest(s) in Attendance: Fred Silloway, Lake District Board, and Association members Ted McCartney, Beth Bax and Pete Meiklejohn

Approve or Amend the Agenda: Motion made by Bob Underberg to approve; seconded by John Miller. Motion carried.

Approve or Amend the Minutes of the August 4, 2021 Board Meeting: Motion made by Bob Underberg and seconded by Carl Nelson to approve minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Susan Gaastra reported that the Association had received \$3090.00 in renewals and donations since the last report. She stated there were total disbursements of \$6,937.00 leaving total funds available of \$51,089.13 on December 31, 2021. Ms. Gaastra said the Association went slightly over budget due to a late invoice and purchase of QuickBooks but due to the return of the scholarship, this will not affect the overall budget and it continues to be in great shape. Ms. Gaastra said that the net association funds available as of December 31, 2021 were \$33,529.13.

Executive Secretary's Report: Peggy Jesion reported that the transfer of duties and information from the former executive secretary has been completed, including archived records. She said that there are 650 current members of the Association. Ms. Jesion reported that she has some articles ready for the upcoming newsletters and is working with others on submission of the remainder. She said that the Association had received a notice from the Wisconsin Lakes Association that they are resuming their in-person meetings and would be hosting the Wisconsin Rivers and Lakes conference in Stevens Point on April 6-8, 2022. Ms. Jesion said she responded to two new inquiries about membership. Mr. Meiklejohn presented his newsletter article and provided the information to Ms. Jesion.

Lake District Report: An email was received from Bob Ellis indicating that he had no updates. Fred Silloway said that the report regarding the fall survey from the Wisconsin Pond and Lakes Resources (WPLR) has been received although not yet approved by the Board or the DNR. He said that the results appear to be very encouraging and the treatment using Procellicore seems to be highly effective on eurasian milfoil and the curly pond leaf. Mr. Silloway stated that WPLR is recommending that areas that had not been part of the treatment plan now be included so it is likely that the treatment areas will be greater and more diverse. He reported that the next Lakes District Board meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at Farmington Town Hall.

Nomination of Directors: Terms for Susan Gaastra, John Miller and Phil Peterson will be completed on May 31, 2022. As chair of the nominating committee, Sharon Peterson stated that all three individuals are willing to serve another term. Bob Underberg motioned to recommend all for election at the annual meeting and John Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Newsletter Contributions: Sharon Peterson said that she had asked Pete Meiklejohn, Beth Bax and Pat Meighan to prepare an article on the building of the ski ramp as this year will mark the Chain Skiers 50th anniversary. Barry Gill stated that he would prepare an article on outlining some goals for fish management for the Chain 'O Lakes. Carl Nelson said he would prepare an article on Boating Safety. John Miller said he would put together a short article on Dayton no longer funding the water patrol.

New Business:

Creation of a Fishery Sustainability Subcommittee: Barry Gill said that he wants the Association to be involved in helping the fish population to rebound on the Chain O'Lakes. He said the DNR has identified the yellow perch population as very low and also recommended stocking walleyes this spring. Bob Underberg motioned to create this subcommittee and was seconded by Rose Spaar. Motion carried. There will be an initial cost for stocking which will be carried by outside donations. Susan Gaastra motioned to allow Barry Gill to have signing approval up to \$2500 to start the process which was seconded by Carl Nelson. Motion was approved and carried.

Email Blast - Peggy Jesion said that an email blast will be going out shortly to address winter safety issues on the Chain.

Member Input: Jan Behnke reported that the DNR indicated they are interested in the proliferation of permanent dock cover structures occurring throughout the state and would be conducting a review. Jan Behnke and John Miller said that they would get more information on Chamber of Commerce membership and will present it at the next meeting. Fred Silloway said that the Friends of Hartman Creek State Park will be sponsoring a Candlelit Ski, Snowshoe and Hike on February 26, 2022.

Set Meeting Dates for 2022:

- a. Proposal for 2022 board meeting dates: Wednesday, April 6; Saturday, May 21; Saturday, June 25; Wednesday, August 3; and Wednesday, October 5.
- b. Proposal for Neighborhood Chairpersons meeting on Saturday, May 21.
- c. Proposal for annual membership meeting on Saturday, June 25.

Bob Underwood motioned to approve and Barry Gill seconded. Motion approved and carried.

Bob Underberg moved and Carl Nelson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:37 a.m. Motion carried.

Rose Spaar  
Secretary