



Lamoka-Waneta Lakes Association

Board of Directors Meeting

August 10, 2024—Tyrone Town Hall

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President, Jay White

The following members were present: Terry Allison, Cartha Conklin, Dennis Fagan, Terry Fisk, Gary Gray, Bill Hassoldt, Gordon Shafer, Ed Sharpe, Sandy Tressler, Steve Tressler, Mary Tucker, Ward Votava, Tom Webb, Beth Woods

Absent: Calvin Barnstead, Jody Christen, Debbie Cooper, Jamie Day, Ron Dixon, Claud Gingrich, Patty Gray, Corinne Julian, Kevin Morris, Patrick O'Shaughnessy, Christine Parulski, BethAn Parulski-Seager, Jaci Riorden, Barb Russell, Jim Russell, John Thatcher, Barbara Walls

Guest(s): None

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Ed Sharpe, second by Cartha Conklin to approve the July 20, 2024 Board of Directors Minutes as presented.

President's Report: No formal report

Vice President/Membership Report: Bill reported that two new members signed up at the Pancake Breakfast, which makes us just shy of 600 members. He did check on the number of members from Sylvan Beach and there are 40% of Sylvan Beach residents that are members of the LWLA.

Treasurer's Report: In Corinne's absence, she sent all Board Members the Treasurer's Report, and highlighted the following transactions for the August Treasurer's Report:

No surprises—Normal Expenses

- Pancake Breakfast had 137 people that brought in \$1,346
- LWLA Merchandise sales totaled, \$1,417
- Main St. Criminal Insurance was canceled and we received \$100 full refund. The insurance was replaced with Traveler's Insurance.

Checking Account Balance: \$7,007.35; Savings Account Balance \$57,681.77

OLD BUSINESS:

NYSEG Report: NYSEG reported that they could not open the gates when requested because they said that Bradford did not have power. Not sure why it was a problem as the dam gates are not electric and open with a crank. NYSEG did eventually arrive and opened the gates.

Update on the Adirondack Research Institute, 2025 Lake Treatment:

Dennis reminded the Board that Early August a survey of the Lakes will be done and the results will determine the 2025 treatment areas. Report should be ready by the Fall Public Meeting.

Boat Gauge: Gary Gray reported the request has been submitted and now is in the hands of Schuyler County—no update.

NYSFOLA 31st Western NY Regional Conference: Will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2024. The following Board Members expressed an interest in attending: Ron Dixon, Terry Fisk, Steve Tressler, Mary Tucker, Jay White.

NEW BUSINESS:

Agenda/Speakers for the Fall Public Meeting, August 24, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m. at the Wayne Fire Hall. The following are suggestions for the Agenda/Speakers:

- Schuyler & Steuben Sheriffs
- Soil & Water Representatives from Schuyler & Steuben
- Town Supervisors
- Waneta Terrace Representative
- Rake Toss Survey—Dennis Fagan
- CSLAP—Patrick O’Shaughnessy
- DO Meter/Aeration Systems—Steve Tressler
- HAB Reports—Bill Hassoldt
- Environmental Impacts—Beaver Cache—Calvin Barnstead
- Election of new members & Officers

Tour DeKeuka bike race traffic—Debbie Cooper, via email, asked that if it was possible to connect with the Tour coordinator to help with the traffic flow. One of the water stops was at the Boy Scout Camp and many people drive over the hill and the bikers were lined up across the road. We will attempt to find a contact person to see what can be done to make the water stop safer.

Committee Reports

- **Clothing:** Tom Webb reported that the sales at the Pancake Breakfast were great and the next sale will be at the Fall Public Meeting on August 24, 2024. Tom is unable to be at the Fall Public Meeting and will need volunteers to help transport clothing from the shed at the Tyrone Fire Dept. to Wayne Fire Dept. Ron Dixon, Christine Parulski and BethAn Parulski-Seager will run the sale in Tom’s absence.
- **CSLAP:** Next August Testing dates are: August 11 and August 25th.. The CSLAP team will begin taking a sample for testing of Fluoroprobe on Lamoka and Waneta Lakes at the same time they collect CSLAP samples.
- **Environmental Impact Chair** –No updated report in Calvin’s absence. He will update his report at the Fall Public Meeting on Saturday, August 24th.
- **Fundraising:** No Report, Jaci Riorden absent.
- **Goose Control:** Gordon reported they treated a possible 90+ eggs in the Spring.

- **HAB Report:** A week ago Lamoka Lake had a huge HAB all around the entire lake and a week later, Waneta had a HAB around their lake. Terry reported that we are not the only lakes experiencing HABs. Terry sited that Cayuta Lake had 3, Chautauqua has had 20, and Canisius has reported 19.
- **Lake Level:** 1098.9 as of this morning, August 10, 2024. Gates were opened up 24” at 1099 and will be closing to 6” hopefully by this afternoon.
- **Lake Management Committee:** Steve who recommended the DO (Dissolved Oxygen Meter) purchase believes that we should have a case and extra “cup” for protection of the equipment. The case is \$440 and the extra “cup” is \$200. **Terry Fisk made a motion to approve the expense of purchasing the case and extra “cup” at no more than \$640 to protect our investment in the meter. Gordon Seconded—MOTION Carried.** Steve explained that if we bring the oxygen level up, and shared Loon Lake’s pilot study on aeration, was selling their aeration lake system for \$2,500. This includes ¾ hp, 6 diffusers that can be placed in 10-16 feet of water. Steve explained that once you aerate you need to treat with bacteria. Similar to a RID system used in Septic Systems. After discussion by the Board, it was decided that the homeowner can purchase ½ horsepower aeration system with 2 diffusers. Consensus, we are not interested in purchasing Loon Lake’s used system.
Steve will reach out to Nancy Mueller from NYSFOLA regarding the other area lakes using the DO meters.
Suggested to also reach out to Adirondack Research Institute that does our rake toss, and Bob Johnson to see if they are aware of other lakes using a DO meter.
- **Pancake Breakfast**—137 people attended, with an income grossed \$1,346.
- **Steuben/Schuyler Water Quality:** Cartha reported that both Steuben and Schuyler will not be meeting until September

OTHER: The following Board Members are up for re-election to their 2 year term and were asked if they would consider serving another 2 years. Terry Allison (yes); Calvin Barnstead (yes); Jamie Day (no); Ron Dixon (yes); Gordon Shafer (no); Ward Votava (yes)

Please note: Gordon is retiring from the Board after 60+ years of loyalty and commitment as a member and past president to the Board of the Lamoka Waneta Lake Association.

Having no further business, a motion (Terry Fisk, second by Ward Votava) to close the LWLA meeting at 11:20 a.m. MOTION carried.

Mary Tucker
Secretary, LWLA