

**Pokegama Lake Association
General Membership Meeting
June 17, 2023**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by president Scott Waste.

Board of Directors present: Stacey Bolton, Bobbi Eich, Dwight Evers (via zoom), Todd Grecian, Jim Grisim, John Hoyny, Susan Kubitschek, Scott Waste

Board of Directors absent: Nick Hugo, Luranne McLean

Welcome to new members! Please use the Zoom mics.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Motion to approve the Secretary's report of the May 2023 meeting was made by Marietta Jacobson and seconded by Leo Johnson, passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bobbi Eich presented the May treasurer's report. - See Attached Report -
Jim Grisim moved to approve. Marietta Jacobson seconded, passed.

GAMBLING MANAGER'S REPORT:

Kim Erickson presented the report. - See Attached Report -
Jim Grisim moved and Leo Johnson seconded the report; passed.
Jim Grisim moved and Leo Johnson seconded the \$40,000 request for July expenses; passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Lake Improvement - Jill Jakusz - Have not purchased the flow meter yet, but will once they get the credit card. Ben (DNR) and Al Johnson are working on water quality knowledge so Al can step out of water testing. Ben will get the process documented. Need a second person trained to do monthly water testing - not sure how long it takes - maybe a few hours.

Independent weed treatment - first round this week (59 people). Communication has been an issue so an email has been sent with feedback. Next treatment is set for July. Still waiting to hear back on eurasian milfoil treatment for July. Kathy Nielsen and Jim Grisim met with somebody about where to do the water testing; it is tied to water assessment; should have a map coming saying where testing would be best. They have to write a grant - price to PLA is 25%. Part of long term goal of identifying lake problems. Background - Water Quality Group - to work on improving lake quality. One Watershed/One Plan has disbanded, now working with the county doing a sub water assessment to identify issues. DNR permitting process - very slow, only approved right before weed treatment. Check with Lake Restoration if still want to be involved and ask them.

Gambling Audit Committee - Tom Rice - There has been a large swing from paper pull tabs to electronic. Gambling board requires 30% donations, we are at 42%. We are required to review payroll monthly; still looking for a volunteer to take over for Marge Olson to reconcile payroll.

Donations - Marietta Jacobson -

- \$5,200 request for water quality testing and monitoring, flow equipment - seconded by Marge Olson, approved.

Membership(Communications/Website/Membership) - Stacey Bolton -
Join the PLA facebook group; website is updated.

Education - no report

Social - Connie Stone - We have a donations list, but need someone to chair the Silent Auction.

Tom Rice - reminder that the Freedom Fest is Saturday. Food prep starts the 24th - serve 9 - 12 & 12 - 3; need two more people to help do clean-up at the corn booth on the 19th at 9am - meet with fairgrounds people.

Make \$600 - \$800 every year.

Reserving a spot for the Christmas party (it's not too early).

Corn booth - Scott Jeanson - see the sign-up sheet - shifts are available. Re-did the sign, thanks to Mike Frazier and Scott's neighbor. May raise price to \$4, depending on the price from the farmer. Entertaining the idea of doing Mexican corn on Friday and Saturday, if there is room in the corn booth. New burners have been purchased and we now have two refrigerators. Some booth clean-up has already been done.

OLD BUSINESS -

Clothing for sale - Melody Frazier - pre-ordered t-shirts are here; there are few extras for purchase. Will look into getting sweatshirts.

NEW BUSINESS -

Weed-cutting - Dwight Evers - North Bay has been cut several times, also along west side and down to Jarvis Bay. Started east side of the lake on the south. We are allowed to park cutters on the south side of Tuxedo Point, returning to the north mid-next week. There have been several equipment setbacks.

Volunteer openings this week - will need someone Monday for the barge. The second cutter will not be ready. Have noticed less weeds to start with. Work will be on Jarvis Bay this week. We can cut both bays all season. Another leak to take care of in the weed cutter - Scott will pull it into his shop and expects it to take about 4 hours to fix. Will be prepared to cut all summer in North Bay and in Jarvis Bay. New equipment will help immensely.

Why is the water so low? Lots of factors. Have seen more bogs floating.

Pokegama Township will be dust(oil?)-coating roads this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - please remember to sign in at all meetings

The next Board of Directors will be July 14, 7pm or July 15, 8am (to be determined electronically by BOD members), and the next General Membership meeting will be Saturday July 15th at 9am, with 8:30 social time.

ADJOURNMENT

Gene Olson moved and Mike? seconded to adjourn, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Luranne McLean, Secretary, with gratitude for Stacey Bolton's note taking.