



Board Meeting Minutes Fall Open Business Meeting

Date:	October 8, 2019 @ 7pm – Open Business Meeting
Location:	Gleason Lake Apartments 155 Gleason Lake Road Wayzata MN
Board Members	Jay Anderson (President - officer) Peter Palm (Vice President-officer) Lee Wallace, (Weed Management – Officer) Laura Kalies (Secretary – officer) Darin Norman (Treasurer-officer) Ken Campbell (Board Member - Aeration) Laura Anderson (Board Member) Will Hornseth (Board Member-Watershed & Weed Mgt)
Lead	Agenda Items
Jay Anderson, President	I. Call to Order
Laura Kalies, Secretary	II. Review/Approve Minutes
Darin Norman, Treasurer	III. Treasury Report
Jay	IV. Review Annual Accomplishments
Lee & All	V. Lake Updates a. Boat/Ramp Rules & Egress b. Weed Control Updates c. Aeration Plans
Jay Anderson	VI. Other Business/Q&A
Jay Anderson	Motion to Adjourn

Open Meeting:

Bev Wiper, Suz Galloway, Mary Jo Kukowski, Steven Camp, Fred Wall, Bobbi Mulch-Ude, Vladimir Kelman, Ken Campbell, Jan Campbell, Laura Anderson, Jay Anderson, Lee Wallace, Darin Norman, Peter Palm, Laura Kalies, Will Hornseth, Mario Goessl

Introductions were made and members socialized prior to the start of the meeting.

Governance Items:

- A quorum was noted and the meeting was called to order at 7:17pm.
- Motion made by Lee Wallace to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Peter Palm. Motion approved with unanimous vote.



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- Motion made by Laura Kalies to approve treasury report as written. Motion seconded by Lee Wallace. Motion approved with unanimous vote.
- Motion made by Lee Wallace to nominate the 2020 board of directors listed below for vote at November meeting. Seconded by Peter Palm. Motion approved by unanimous vote.
 - Jay Anderson (President - officer)
 - Peter Palm (Vice President-officer)
 - Lee Wallace, (Weed Management – Officer)
 - Laura Kalies (Secretary – officer)
 - Darin Norman (Treasurer-officer)
 - Ken Campbell (Board Member - Aeration)
 - Laura Anderson (Board Member)
 - Will Hornseth (Board Member-Watershed & Weed Mgt)
- Motion made by Lee Wallace to adjourn. Seconded by Ken Campbell. Meeting adjourned at 8:42pm.
- Next meeting at Palm Residence.

Action Items:

- Jay Anderson continuing to research aqua thruster discounts and allotments, any homeowner interested in an aqua thruster would be responsible for all maintenance individually (e.g. electricity required, may also work for path lighting in addition to the thruster, maintenance, any permits that may be required).

Discussion Notes:

- 90% of dues typically go to lake treatments, lake management, invasives monitoring or treatment. We have about 70 paying members. Donation period is in the Spring. Noted that we maintain donation and operating funds in order as it is standard practice to have 2-3 years operating expense on hand, also for grant matching purposes should we be eligible for a CLP or lake management grant.
 - Suggestion to send donation letter in Spring and Fall – Fall email blast with a blank donation form as a reminder.
- Boat egress November 3rd for those who use the ramp.
 - Request that any boats that enter the lake are dry for two weeks or have a receipt showing that it is clean per DNR standards to avoid invasive



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species (e.g. Eurasian Milfoil, Zebra Mussels). For example, dock or maintenance such as the companies that spray are also certified to be using clean equipment.

- Only expense this month for Xcel Energy \$18. Received three checks totaling \$600 this month.
- Question about height of the dam – noted that several organizations examined the water levels to note the high-water mark and that is how the height of the dam was established when it was built. In 15 years, the water has not gone above the last weir in the weir style dam. Historical reference of long-term board members note that this is the highest the water has been (e.g. one dock in for 47 years and it is almost to the top of their dock).
- Lake Management
 - Midwest Aqua Care is the company that manages our weed programs
 - Association works with Midwest Aqua Care and DNR to establish permit process
 - Annual survey for curly leaf pondweed, lake association treatment targets the curly leaf pondweed (CLP). Survey shows density levels, green, yellow, red and DNR dictates how much we can treat. GLIA typically requests targeting of red and yellow on application (e.g. targeting yellow to avoid red in future year). Survey results are posted on the website.
 - Noted that the weed management and spraying details is on the website. Homeowners may pull the permit form from the website or contact the Board via the website with questions.
 - In 2019, record year of 30 homeowners who applied for and had permits approved for shoreline spraying. Applications must meet DNR requirements based on need such as dock, recreation. DNR will survey prior to permit approval. GLIA covers the permit fees for donating members, so members only pay their shoreline treatment costs. GLIA has advocated for 50x100 foot spraying allotment with DNR, but that can change from year to year per DNR.
 - Concern over lily pad – New form coming out this year. Historically DNR permitted only 15-foot channel, but DNR may approve 50x50 spray area, Midwest Aqua Care will treat submerged vegetation plus 50x50 Lily Pads and Channel out 100 feet with annual shoreline sprayings. Typically, 2 sprays are completed for best results. Noted to call Lee Wallace or Midwest Aqua Care with



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questions on the form. Must specify on form what should be treated (e.g. lily pad treatment and channel to lake).

- Noted that there is a no wake zone between the bridge and just South of the peninsula, important to let any contractors working with/putting boats on so they are aware.
- Review of annual accomplishments:
 - Website updates and membership database
 - Attendance at Fortin Consulting invasive species training AIS Workshop on July 23, 2019 (4 board members attended).
 - Board researched and worked with DNR to brainstorm on various treatment options for vegetation or algae. DNR noted that we are not eligible for any grants at this time. Our lake is not ideal for alum treatments.
 - DNR noted that shallow quality of lake and runoff are biggest concerns. 65% of lakes in MN are shallow. DNR noted that with the holding pond, education, and awareness of runoff to decrease phosphorous are the best things to do. There are many shallow lakes in MN and boating is not an issue on Gleason Lake. DNR noted GLIA has done a great job of improving quality of the lake. Over 40 years moved from low D grade to high C grade, which is significant improvement. DNR grading process and ranking will be updated in future years.
 - DNR noted that nutrients are the biggest concern for Gleason Lake including runoff of soil, fertilizer, pesticides and vegetation debris as well as drainage from roads and storm drains and winter melt. It was noted that we are all part of a watershed and watershed protection. There are several educational resources about how to be a community steward for watershed protection at the MCWD website <https://www.minnehahacreek.org/>
 - Noted that aqua thrusters and moving the water reduce lily pad growth. Aqua thrusters to move water to keep water moving and a clear channel do not require permits, except for wintertime open water which is 1 permit allotment per lake. GLIA continuing to look into potential for volume discounts.
 - Noted that the pros and cons of thrusters be evaluated, for example if at some point we do have an invasive such as Eurasian Milfoil would it have a negative impact and how would that be managed.
 - North bay owner, Vladimir, noted that the channel through the bridge and the NW side that used to be all weeds and now is



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completely clear. Year after year they have seen the lake improve and thanked GLIA for the weed management.

- Aeration utilized in winter as Gleason Lake is a shallow lake. Lakes absorb oxygen only through open surface and depth will not allow gamefish to survive throughout the winter without opening up water during winter months to absorb oxygen. Aeration system is turned on in winter.
 - Aerator diffusers are marked by 5 buoys (perimeter of 4 with one in middle).
 - In January or when ice is deemed safe, GLIA members and volunteers place thin ice signs, drill holes, and turn on the aerators to maintain the open area. The holes are drilled around the buoy perimeter, the diffusers are turned on and then the water opens over time.
 - Permit requires posting in thin ice notice in public papers. Posts are maintained through March 15th per DNR requirement.
 - GLIA volunteers then organize a group to pick up posts after ice out in Spring. Note, if you find a post, let GLIA know. We typically put in 48.
 - Fish in lake include northerns, crappies, sunnies, bass.
- Several homeowners inquired about a permanent ramp solution. Concern over private road maintenance as well as private ramp. Trailers can create problems on road surface in public area of road and some neighbors are concerned. It was noted that boat access has been observed as a positive for property value as well as the quality of the lake.
 - Board noted that research has been conducted regarding a longer-term ramp solution and welcomes additional input and suggestions.
 - Board noted that lake access is needed for the weed treatments and lake survey boats and DNR access as well as recreational boat access, so treatment boat access is important not only to boat owners but to all homeowners.
- It was noted that 2020 nominations are in place for current Board to continue to serve, however, nominations or volunteers for committee work are welcome from those attending the meeting. Hearing none, Peter Palm nominated the following individuals for consideration and vote at the November meeting, all nominations were accepted.
 - Jay Anderson (President - officer)



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