



MANITOWOC COUNTY LAKES ASSOCIATION

“The Manitowoc County Lakes Association will protect and enhance the quality of area lakes and watersheds for the benefit of all.”

MCLA Meeting of January 28, 2016

The agenda from the meeting is attached.

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First up was a presentation by Cory Zickert with Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resources. Specifically on lake aeration. Discussed the Objective, Why Aeration, Why Not Aeration, Aeration Systems, Considerations and Steps to Aeration. Contact information for Mr. Zickert is on the website.

Lake Reports.

Note: There are changes to panfish limits for Bullhead, English, Long, Harp and Pigeon this year. Part of DNR plan to study fish growth throughout the state.

Wilke – first ice was 12/29. Seemed typical for many lakes reporting.

Silver – Omni did consulting on 11/8 for stream diversion. Estimate is \$300K to resolve. Looking for grants to support.

Pigeon – ice golf on 2/6. Was posted on website.

Long – had fund raiser in November. Have in application for the fish pier at the county park with the DNR. Have in application to DNR for handicap pier – no status. Had 30 shanties for fishing at one time. Heavy fishing. Have a narrow area on the lake and want a no-wake zone in this area. DNR won't allow it.

Harp – Have new fishing pier approved by Manitowoc County. Getting grant to install.

Cedar – have grant application for plant study, and another for weed harvesting. Have zebra mussels. Have had temperature information collected from April to November – no data back yet.

Carstens – lots of fishing. O2 in good shape. Purchased a new O2 meter. Old one owned by MCLA. Silver Lake to use for their O2 study.

Harp – are interested in purchase of O2 meter as well.

Bullhead – Algae problem. Bought weed harvester las summer. Fishing is reported to be bad on the lake.

2.0 As of the meeting, there are 44 individual members and one organizations as member.

Planning on sending out membership notice the week of Feb 1. Membership is fiscal year Nov to Oct. Current balance as of the meeting is \$1,302.50. No outstanding checks.

Invoices are \$4,608.50, insurance bill of \$215. Grant in submission are \$36,000 with a \$9,000 match from the MCLA. It is important for all volunteers to submit hours of volunteer work to assist in the match. Need 266 hours of matching. Send time to Tom Ward. Need by June 1, 2016.

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3.0 For communications Steve H. is on the website. Contact for CLMN –Citizen Lake Monitoring Network Coordinators. Citizen Lake Monitoring Network Coordinators will be hosting a CLMN Refresher Class at the Lakes Convention in Stevens Point on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 from 11:00am until 1:00pm. The Refresher Class will be held in the Harvest Room at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center in Stevens Point.

This year the Lakes Convention is March 30 until April 1

<http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr-ap/UWEXLakes/Pages/programs/convention/default.aspx>

If you plan to attend the CLMN refresher in Stevens Point or have any questions, please contact Sandy Wickman at [715-365-8951](tel:715-365-8951) or by email at sandra.wickman@wisconsin.gov

4.0 AIS – Were shown examples of spring water flea, zebra mussel and stony wart (in Sheboygan County) at the meeting. Are collecting monitoring hours now.

Working with 30 – 40 landowners in Manitowoc County to treat phragmites. Not all OK with allowing treatment. County working with LLNRP for grant.

Water Quality – please read Assembly Bill 600 on website. Contact John Durbrow for additional information. Bill contains items that have a negative impact on lakes.

Manitowoc Planning and Zoning Department will attend the next meeting to discuss shoreline guidelines/rules.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 24.

Bill Braam

Secretary

March 1, 2016