



# MANITOWOC COUNTY LAKES ASSOCIATION

"The Manitowoc County Lakes Association will protect and enhance the quality of area lakes

Minutes of the MCLA member's meeting  
Thursday December 6th, 2018  
7:30 PM - 8:15 PM  
Manitowoc County Office building

## AGENDA:

1. Correspondence: Letter of support for AIS grant application.

### AIS Project Proposal

- **Project Area** would be Manitowoc, Sheboygan and Ozaukee Counties. 2 year grant to be submitted by Monday December 10th. This is a two year grant. The three year grant for Sheboygan County just ended.
- **Grant Sponsor:** Glacierland RC&D (Resource Conservation and Development); they are a non-profit organization and cover the whole State. They sponsored our boat inspectors in the past and run AIS projects in many areas of the State. LNRP Lake Shore Natural Resource Partnership will assist with some of the activities.

Glacier Land will meet with, and inform, those concerned.

- **Glacierland will conduct** a project of Education with local groups, AIS monitoring, mapping and Boat inspections. They also plan to conduct AIS monitoring on the river systems.
- **Glacierland will hire** a full-time coordinator who will work out of the Sheboygan County Planning Department.

Tom Ward will help coordinate the work with the various groups.

- **Boat inspectors will be hired for: 200 hrs in Manitowoc County: 200 hrs Sheboygan County and 100 hours in Ozaukee.**

Lakes in our County with most need for inspectors are: Cedar, Long and Wilke. Secondary lakes are: English, Pigeon, Bullhead, Horseshoe and Harpts. Occasional would be Carstens, Spring, Hartlaub and Silver.

- **Match:** for 200 hours would be about \$900. It can be cash or in-kind hours, but we also know how hard it is to get volunteers. Monitor match will be eligible.

Volunteers are needed between Memorial Day and mid-August. MCLA is looking for donations. Suggested is that the three Lakes with most needs pay \$150 each, secondary lakes pay 75 each and those that have occasional needs pay 25 each. Letters of support by lakes associations, to express in-kind or cash support, are needed by Monday, December 10th.

## 2. Calendar for 2019 meetings:

Moving the meetings to the 4th Thursday in February 28, April 25th, June 27, August 22, October 24th, and December 5th. We want to avoid conflicts with town meetings and Lake Association meetings.

### 2018–2019 Officers:

**President:** Tom Ward

**Vice President:** Dave Pozorski

**Treasurer:** Marcia Salm

**Secretary:** Hanna Edelglass

#### **Past Presidents:**

Gene Weyer, John S. Durbrow

#### Lake Directors

##### **Bullhead Lake**

Ron Gerrits

##### **Carstens Lake**

Brian Robley

##### **Cedar Lake**

Cindy Leitner

*alts: Phil Knauf, Richard Jens*

##### **English Lake**

Steve Bosiacki

##### **Gass Lake**

Richard Blashka

##### **Harpts and Tuma Lakes**

Dan Dufek

##### **Hartlaub Lake**

Gene Weyer

##### **Horseshoe Lake**

Robert Christian

##### **Lake Michigan**

John S. Durbrow

##### **Long Lake**

Chuck Kiehn

##### **Pigeon Lake**

Jerry Gospodarek

##### **Silver Lake**

Jaret Paltzer

##### **Spring Lake**

Bill Braam

##### **Wilke Lake**

Tom Payne

### 3. **Slate of Officer Candidate:**

Lake Representative need to start looking for potential Board candidates for the end of 2019. Start asking yourself or someone sitting next to you if they are willing to become an officer.

The Lake representatives are the ones to nominate committees also.

Wilke Lake volunteered to host the banquet.

### 4. **Lake reports:**

**Carstens:** The design is moving forward for the sediment basin, match will need from Soil & Water conservation Dept. for the grant project.

**Wilke:** ice at 2" to 4", not safe and geese are keeping a portion of the lake open.

**Silver:** almost froze over, for some reason the geese have not been using the lake in late season.

**Gass:** a meeting was held in November with Carry Webb from DNR, County Soil and Water and Fish and Wildlife Service to move the project forward of restoring the channel route to prevent water from entering the lake. Soil and Water will apply for the DNR permit and Fish & Wildlife will reconstruct the channel in the original route. This project should reduce the watershed size significantly and reduce phosphorus sources.

**English:** geese are keeping this lake open, ice not safe.

**Cedar:** A grant has been submitted for a 3 year DASH project which involves using a vacuum barge to suck up Eurasian Water Milfoil. Ice is thin and recent rains have reduced ice thickness. Water temperature units are being placed in the lake to provide scheduled water temperature reading with a phone App. The goal is to develop a better understanding of water temperature throughout the year and link them to weather or algae events. This is something to report on next Fall from Cedar Lake.

**Long Lake:** commented that an alum treatment for Long was not practical do to potential destruction by motorized boating and large shallow water zone. However Bullhead is a no wake lake so this would not be a problem.

**Bullhead:** The lake management plan is nearing final draft and the possibility of an Alum treatment will be discussed due to adequate control of phosphorus entering the lake. The study found that there is very significant release of phosphorus into the lake from the sediment. The lake had been treated with Alum twice in the past 50 years. Previous treatments and technology at the time resulted in treatments that were under applied and as a result did not have the life expectancy as anticipated. The cost of Alum treatment would be 60K to 180 K, according to the DNR.

**Michigan:** Lake levels are currently 1 1/2 feet lower than in the all-time high of 1987.

**Tuma:** new pier and reconstruction of the boat launch has been completed at Tuma. The new pier will be installed in the spring and will remain in year long. The old pier will be going to Cedar lake. A donation tube and Boat Cleaning Station will be needed next year.

**Weyers:** Tom Ward and John Durbrow shut down two of the three aerator head locations this fall and only the farthest NW location will be on for the winter. This will reduce the risk of weak ice near the boat launch where ice fisherman walk out.

No reports for Spring, Horseshoe and Pigeon lakes.

Hanna Edelglass  
Secretary MCLA