



# 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."

Minutes of the MCLA member's meeting  
Thursday April 25, 2019  
Manitowoc County Office building

## MEETING SUMMARY:

### 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

**1. Newly hired AIS Coordinator** for Manitowoc and Sheboygan County, Samantha Lammers (Olsen), was introduced by Tom W to meet our Lake Representatives. She will be hiring boat inspectors for Manitowoc and Sheboygan Counties conducting Aquatic Invasive Species education, and training with AIS monitors. Her role will be to resume the AIS programming in Manitowoc County.

Samantha (Sam) was working as a Natural Resource Specialist with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources as a Deputy Conservation Warden. She has extensive experience in aquatic invasive species programming, and leading the Wisconsin Water Guard Team that oversaw education and enforcement of invasive species in the State. She trained and supported 12 Water Guards (Wardens) across the State and DNR Wardens on invasive species identification. She has a Bachelor's Degree in 'Environmental Policy and Planning' from the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, as well as Associates Degrees in Applied Science - Criminal Justice from Lakeshore Technical College, completing a 520 hour Police Academy from Lakeshore Technical College.

Let her know what you can do and what you need. Call her with any questions. Keep a calendar so monitors' working hours can be counted for match time. Volunteers are needed for boat inspections and water clarity/AIS. 100 monitors are trained, and she will train more.  
Lake representatives: please invite Sam to your annual meetings.

**2. Joe Salm plaque** memorial will be placed at Carstens Lake. His, and Joe Ginther's, will both be displayed at the boat landing as a reminder to the service lake volunteers and stewards do to protect and enhance our area lakes.

**3. Elections for next fall** regarding the executive board vacancies 2020-2021: we need to get nominations by our next meeting, June 27th, 2019. Tom Ward is willing to stay on as Vice President. Please form nominating committees for board members. Hanna is willing to continue publicity work.

**4. Status on AIS Grant** - Tom W,  
A seven thousand dollar match for DNR grant, for one year was needed. Tom sent out letters to all Lake representatives and monitors, boat cleaning stations: to keep sheets documenting the time spent to meet the match requirements. One more paid boat inspector is needed for this summer, for about 20 hours a week. Sam will help with training them.

**5. Membership drive** - Dave P will send out emails, and first class mailings. We have 55 paid memberships now, they are slowly trickling in. (We had 107 members in 2018)

## 6. Treasurer's report by Marcia S

Grant account: \$9734.40. General checking account, (dues, donations): \$5290.08. We paid for Wisc. State Tax exemption, \$10. Insurance, \$700, New checks, \$22.87.  
The budget was unanimously approved.

## 7. Lake Reports

- **Lake Michigan:** Water levels high, more algae free last few years, more eagles this past year.
- **Cedar Lake:** starting on paving parking lot, initiating a program to monitor the culvert for contaminants. The weed cutter operator completed 50 years of running the Districts weed harvest machine. He use to live on the lake but continued to operate the machine after he and his wife moved off the lake. His wife has also contributed 49 years as Treasurer for the Sanitary District. 6 new sites of EWM were discovered this winter and spring. The sites will be spot treated this summer now that the grant was not selected for the vacuum removal system.
- **Hartlaub:** Ice out sampling is completed, we will not know which lakes took their samples for at least 6 weeks to get sample results. Fish & Game Assn. is planning to stock walleyes this year.
- **Weyers Lake:** Was sampled however no one is picking up the cost of about \$45 per sample or \$110 for the summer. It was suggested to contact the Manitowoc Unit and Association as they own the land around the lake to pick up the annual cost of sampling.
- **Horseshoe:** Phos samples taken, waiting for results.
- **Long:** A new shelter is up in the park, maybe new restrooms this summer.
- **Carstens:** Had a lot of algae recently. The aerator was turned on in March.
- **Silver Lake:** The bridges were in danger of floating away from an ice jam that occurred in April from the ice melt. Flooding occurred and flowed over the fish structure, spillway and boat launch. The good news the water was clear and not carrying silt.
- **English:** Level ok, checking for Milfoil
- **Bullhead:** Got grant for checking water quality data, next year put in grant for alum treatment. The study that shows reduction in property values should be an incentive to form a Lake district to assess the cost of the the alum treatment to improve water clarity. Bullhead had an alum treatment in '78 and '88, clarity improved by 10'. Want 15 to 20 year improvement after treatment.
- **Wilke:** Fish stocking in progress, Walleye stocking in Fall not the best: less food available then, and fish are not familiar with the lake to know where food is.

## 8. Next meeting: June 27th, 2019

Hanna Edelglass  
Secretary MCLA