



# 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."

## General Membership Meeting

8/29/2024 6:30pm

Room 300, Soil & Water Conservation Building  
4219 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI 54245

### MEETING MINUTES:

- Called to order by Jerry Corfman, President.

#### There was a quick review of housekeeping rules.

Reviewed that there is one vote per organizational membership and one vote per individual membership.

#### Program by: Michael Slattery, Executive Director of Seven Rivers Soil Coop

- Started in 2024
- Watershed Conservation Group founded by 10 farmers and 6 corporate members.
- They are addressing phosphate concerns.
- In 9 months they now have 16 members and over 22,000 acres working to control phosphate concerns.
- Seven Rivers is looking for support of their group and working to help lakes and rivers.
- Around 1,500 lakes in Wisconsin are considered impaired.
- Manitowoc County Soil and Water has committed around 20 hours per month to work with Seven Rivers.
- One goal is to get farmers better educated on conservation practices.
- 3 objectives are: Soil Health and Improve Soil, Deter or Reduce amount of Impact on Water, and Reduce Greenhouse Footprint.
- Planting of cover crops have the possibility of having financial support.
- Annual Membership is: \$100 or \$250 depending on size.

#### Program by: Jake Utrie, CD3 Systems a Waterless Cleaning System for Boat Landings

- [Jake@CD3systems.com](mailto:Jake@CD3systems.com), [www.CD3systems.com](http://www.CD3systems.com) 262-327-1312
- They are from the West Bend, WI area and have cleaning stations in 30 states.
- Jake explained briefly invasive species and how they are spreading.
- Approximately invasive species cost the US economy around 146 Billion dollars per year.
- Watercrafts need to: Clean, Drain, Dry.
- Cleaning Stations should be at boat landings.
- Jake explained how their cleaning stations work. No power or water is needed to install.
- 3 models to choose from and their stations could last up to 10 years.
- Software is available to monitor the usage.
- They have check in and check out programs and ideas on how to get more people to clean their boats.
- They have a free check in and check out program available to show how to clean watercrafts along with signage for boat landings.

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#### 2023-2024 Officers:

**President:** Jerry Corfman

**Vice President:** Maria Lynch

**Treasurer:** Marcia Salm

**Secretary:** Scott Umland

**Press Sec:** Roger Vander Logt

#### Past President:

Tom Ward

#### Lake Directors

##### Bullhead Lake

Ron Gerrits

##### Carstens Lake

Brian Robley

##### Cedar Lake

Cynthia Leitner

Mike Strebe

##### English Lake

Kim Skattebo

##### Gass Lake

Richard Blashka

##### Harpt and Tuma Lakes

Dan Dufek

##### Hartlaub Lake

Gene Weyer

##### Horseshoe Lake

vacant

##### Lake Michigan

John S. Durbrow

##### Long Lake

Chuck Kiehn

##### Pigeon Lake

Jerry Gospodarek

##### Silver Lake

Brett Hubbart

##### Spring Lake

vacant

##### Wilke Lake

Fred Ruszkiewicz

**Program by: Valerie O'Connor from Glacierland RC&D**

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- Valerie explained what they have been accomplishing.
- Clean Boats, Clean Water efforts.
- 1 inspector covered Manitowoc Maria and 228 boats, Long Lake and 174 boats.
- They are possibly looking for more lakes.
- They have 438 hours in education.
- 7/17/24 they were at Cedar Lake for an early detection program.
- 9/14/24 they will be at Paddle Palazzo in Two Rivers to help educate.
- They are handling Phragmites treatments.
- They can help with grant coordination.
- Cedar Lake has around 250 hours in the clean boat clean water program.

**General Business Meeting**

- **Secretary's Report** - Reading of the last meeting minutes waived. They are on the MCLA website. Motion to accept made by Gus Gospadarek and second by Chuck Kiehn, carried.

- **Treasurer's Report**

	\$10,825.53	balance in general account
Expenditures:	-\$125.00	Silver Lake Maintenance Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
	-\$72.00	P.O. Box Fee
	\$650.00	MCLA Newsletter Design and Publication
	\$10,281.15	balance in grant account
Expenditures:	-\$ 1,500.00	Glacierland RC&D 2024 Clean Boats Clean Waters Program Contribution

74 members individual or family units, 13 lakes or donations, 8 other donations and 4 website banner ads.  
Motion to accept made by Vince Miller and second by Dave Pozorski, carried.

- **Enhanced Wake Size Discussion (Not for Voting)**

Cindy Leitner, President of Cedar Lake Advancement has lived on Cedar Lake since 2007. Cindy suggests following the science. The 4 concerns are Safety, Erosion, Water Quality and Invasive Species. There is good information to listen to from Wisconsin Conservation Congress. If an ordinance is made it has to be able to be enforced. She encourages everyone to educate themselves the best they can on the subject. Wake Boarding Industry coming to the pontoon boat manufacturing. Lakes of 51 acres or more allow fast boating.

- **Newsletter** – no report.

- **Future Meetings**

- o Sunday 9/29/24 is the annual meeting. The hosts are Pigeon Lake and English Lake. It will be held at Autumn Ridge Golf Course. Doors open at 4:00 pm for a social, 5:30 Buffet meal with program and meeting to follow. Cost should be \$20 per person and they are looking for door prizes. Gus from Pigeon can be contacted regarding door prizes, Shannon Davis-Foust, aquatic biologist, is the intended speaker.
- o 11/21/24 is the last meeting of the year. Hope to have an additional wake surfing speaker available to speak to us
- o 02/27/25 (In Planning)
- o 04/17/25 (In Planning)

- **Miscellaneous**

Dave Pozorski has the water clarity and impact on value paperwork. Let Dave know if you want a copy of this and Dave will endeavor to bring a copy to the next meeting.

## LAKE and OTHER REPORTS/OPEN DISCUSSION:

- **Bullhead Lake:** No report.
- **Carsten's Lake:** No report.
- **Cedar Lake:** No report.
- **English Lake:** No report.
- **Gass Lake:** No report.
- **Harpt Lake:** No report.
- **Hartlaub Lake:** No report.
- **Horseshoe Lake:** No report.
- **Kasbaum Lake:** No report.
- **Lake Michigan:** No report.
- **Long Lake:** No report.
- **Pigeon Lake:** Pigeon Lake recently removed 400 pounds of milfoil. It cost around \$2,000 to remove the milfoil. The lake was milfoil free for 5 years.
- **Little Pigeon:** No report.
- **Shoe Lake:** No report.
- **Silver Lake:** No report.
- **Spring Lake:** No report.
- **Sy Lake:** No report.
- **Tuma Lake:** No report.
- **Twin Lake:** No report.
- **Weyers Lake:** No report.
- **Wilke Lake:** No report.
- **Soil and Water:** No report.
- **Manitowoc County Fish & Game:** They are updating their website.

Motion was made by Dave Pozorski and seconded by Scott Umland to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Scott Umland, MCLA Secretary