

Town of St. Germain Lakes Committee

Town Lakes Committee Voting Members			
Lake Organization	Member #1	Member #2	Alternate member
Big St. Germain Area	Joe Koschnik	Don Baumann	Roy Seidl
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Found Lake Property	Bob Schell	Kay Schultz	Donna Rollman
Owners Association	rsschell@msn.com	gks.found@gmail.com	donnar1928@gmail.com
Committee chairman: Ted Ritter ted.ritter@stg.town			

Meeting minutes, 07/21/2022

- 1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Ritter at 10:03AM
- 2. Confirm meeting posting: Agenda was posted in accordance with Town Board procedures on 07/14/2022
- **3. Verify a quorum in attendance:** Meeting was conducted by Ritter in Room 4 of the St. Germain Community Center with a virtual option. Committee members physically present in Room 4: Koschnik, Baumann, Seidl, Steinhilber, Lord, Zielinski, Waisbrot, Eade, Schell, Rollman, Ritter. No members attended virtually. Approximately 5 non-committee members were also in attendance in Room 4.

4. Discussion/action topics:

- **a. Approve minutes of June 16, 2022, meeting:** Motion Eade, second Steinhilber to approve as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- b. Review Lakes Committee goals and actions of lake management plans adopted in 2021: Ritter conducted a brief review with committee members' input. No actions taken. Ritter encouraged members to do a similar review with their lake organization officers to assure that all lakes are aware of their obligations with these management plan actions.
- c. Fisheries management plan status: Waisbrot informed that active communications are ongoing with WDNR Vilas County Fisheries Biologist Eric Wegleitner. Ritter shared with the committee an email message of June 20, 2022, from Wegleitner to Eade which was causing Ritter to question if there truly is a commitment from the WDNR to implement a Town comprehensive fisheries management plan of which fish stocking is a critical component but not the entirety of the plan. Some members responded to Ritter's concerns as being a misinterpretation of Wegleitner's email and that progress is being made

in ultimately adopting a plan as prescribed in management goal 6, Comprehensive Management Plan Update adopted November 2021 (DNR grants LPL171319 and LPL171019). No actions were taken. Waisbrot will continue to inform the Committee of progress.

- d. Review lake district annual meeting voting procedures: Ritter shared a summary of lake district annual meeting voting procedures/restrictions he had prepared based on the content of Chapter 33, Wisconsin Statutes and People of the Lakes: A Guide for Wisconsin Lake Organizations, 12th Edition 2018. Ritter also provided each district with a current property tax roll and colored paper cards to be given to verified eligible voters at the upcoming lake district annual meetings. Ritter emphasized that neither the Town Lakes Committee nor the Town Board can mandate these materials be used as it is the responsibility of the individual lake districts to conduct their business in a manner consistent with the provisions of Chapter 33. No committee actions taken.
- e. Distribution of bar coasters: Steinhilber to coordinate. No committee actions taken.
- **f. Distribution of Boater Laws flyer:** Lord to coordinate. Motion Lord, second Koschnik to spend up to \$30 to laminate no more than 25 fliers. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- g. Review status of Facebook page / authorize additional page content: Eade reported there are now 120 followers of the Facebook page. He also sought approval to post a link on the page to a presentation about a wave energy study. He had recently seen the presentation at a meeting of the Plum Lake Association in Sayner. Motion Schell, second Steinhilber to post the link. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

h. Approve lakes improvement spending requests:

- 1. Motion Steinhilber, second Schell to approve the Little St. Germain Lake District use of its \$1,051.00 annual lake operation funds for buoy maintenance. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- 2. Motion Koschnik, second Waisbrot to approve the Big St. Germain Lake District use of its \$1,281.00 annual lake operation funds for buoys and dam maintenance. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- 3. Motion Schell, second Baumann to approve the Found Lake Property Owners Association use of its \$883.00 annual lake operation funds for expenses related to the I-Lids camera. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

i. Committee concerns for future meeting agendas:

- 1. Consider approving additional costs for distribution of Boaters Laws flyer.
- 2. Discuss how/if the Town/Committee should support draft legislation to return shoreline zoning control to the counties' Zoning Departments.
- 3. Coordination of aquatic plant point intercept studies performed by UW Limnology, Trout Lake Station with Onterra and St. Germain lake organizations.
- 5. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 11:33AM. Next meeting August 18, 2022.