

Shawano Area Waterways Management Inc.

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2022

Four Seasons

6:30 pm

Meeting called by: Todd Dobberstein

Note taker: Carla Osborne

Attendance: Todd Dobberstein, Carla Osborne, Karen Monfre, Bill Monfre, Jeff Knope, Bart DeFere, Jeff Puissant, Dave Zelinger, Ron Schumacher, Jeff Brunson, Randy Baxster (guest), Jesse Bahr (guest)

Agenda: Minutes, Treasurer Report, Committee Updates, New Business, Additional Topics
Motion to accept the agenda by Jeff Brunson, 2nd by Bart DeFere, motion carried.

Minutes

Agenda item: Meeting minutes from April 14, 2022

Conclusions:

Motion to accept the minutes by Karen Monfre, 2nd by Jeff Brunson, motion carried.

Agenda item: Treasurer report

Presenter: Karen Monfre

Discussion:

- Annual newsletter mailing is out. Delayed this year due to using a new printer. Should start earlier next year and have the printer print the postage.
- A few dues and donations have come in.
- \$1500 donation from Thrivent (Dave Passehl, Scott Parson). Karen will send thank you.
- Town of Wescott donation is in.
- Grant for buoy expense reimbursement is almost ready to be filed.
- Grant for Lake Studies almost ready to be filed.
- Office supplies increase due to new laptop.
- The Bamboo Bar donated their boat launch revenue (\$590) to SAWM.

Conclusions:

Motion to accept the Treasurer report by Dave Zelinger, 2nd by Bart DeFere, motion carried.

Agenda item: Committee Updates

Presenter: Committee Chairs

Discussion:

- Lake Quality Committee – Bill Monfre

- Water Level update (Jeff Puissant): No new update.
- Equipment update (Jeff Knope): Diesel engine has been repaired. Repairs made on all four units.
- SAWM phone number has been placed on weed cutting equipment.
- Will use dump truck for another year for hauling weeds.
- Cutting permits are on all harvesters. Bill made new harvest reports and had them approved by DNR.
- Bill presented weed cutting survey results.
- Recommendation from Lake Quality Committee is to continue weed cutting.
- Motion to continue weed cutting by Jeff Brunson, 2nd by Dave Zelinger, motion carried.
- Buoys will be placed on 5/13.
- Bill will meet with Eddie to review the comprehensive plan for compliance and priorities/activities.
- City of Shawano has a grant that some will be used for Huckleberry harbor. Will try to get 50% from City of Shawano and 50% from DNR for new harvester. Will also check to see if money is available from county.
- Education and Communication Committee – Jeff Brunson
 - Annual newsletter is late due to mailing issues. Will try to get out sooner next year.
 - Carla will work on updating website.
 - Bill will provide contact information for resources that can be put on website.
 - Committee will work on creating an annual report (Green Lake is a good example).
 - Committee is looking for additional fund raising activities.
 - Jeff is getting results of Shawano Lake financial impact.
 - May be able to do something with the Fly-in.
 - Committee is looking into sending out a welcome packet (Green Lake example).
 - Suggestion to add township board members to email list.
 - Carla will rearrange email to display better on phones.
- Fishery and Wildlife Committee – Dave Zelinger
 - Will have a meeting with DNR Fishery biologist (Aaron O’Connel) to see what can/cannot be done with committee suggestions.
 - Will start planning for next winter’s cleanup and plans to prevent litter left on lake.
- Bylaws Committee – Karen Monfre
 - Bylaws are on website.
 - Membership notified by newsletter and email that they are available for review on website and will be voted on at annual meeting.
 - Bylaws will be presented and voted on at the annual meeting.

Conclusions:

Motion to continue weed cutting by Jeff Brunson, 2nd by Dave Zelinger, motion carried

Agenda item:

New Business/Additional items

Presenter:

Discussion:

- Annual meeting – June 4th at 9am at Smalley Park
 - Business side: Approve last year’s minutes, approve financial report, approve board members and officers, open to floor for any nominations, vote on bylaws
 - Informational side: Water level, DNR, Sheriff Dept., Fishing Club (Walleyes for Tomorrow?), Weed cutting and spraying, Q & A
 - Allow Sherriff Dept. and DNR to speak first.
 - Have a prayer/moment of silence for Gary.
 - Insert from Shawano Leader – Todd will check, Dave will see if Walleyes for Tomorrow will include anything.
 - Jeff and Todd will get audio equipment.
- Net under Airport Rd. bridge
 - Todd will get more info and try to get net pulled up higher/tighter.
 - Carla will put notice in email.

Conclusions:

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

Other Information

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Bill Monfre, 2nd by Jeff Brunson, motion carried.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.