

# Shawano Area Waterways Management Inc.

## Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2022

Four Seasons

6:35 pm

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**Meeting called by:** Todd Dobberstein

**Note taker:** Carla Osborne

**Attendance:** Carla Osborne, Dave Zelinger, Nitta Charnon, Jeff Brunson, Jeff Puissant, Todd Dobberstein, Ron Schumacher, Bill Monfre, John Tjaaland (guest)

**Agenda:** Minutes, Treasurer Report, Committee Updates, New Business, Additional Topics

### *Minutes*

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**Agenda item:** Meeting minutes from September 8, 2022

**Conclusions:**

Motion to accept the minutes by Dave Zelinger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Schumacher, motion carried.

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**Agenda item:** Treasurer report

**Presenter:** Bill Monfre

**Discussion:**

- Every municipality has paid.

**Conclusions:**

Motion to accept the treasurer report by Jeff Puissant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nitta Charnon, motion carried.

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**Agenda item:** Committee Updates

**Presenter:** Committee Chairs

**Discussion:**

- Lake Quality Committee – Bill Monfre/Jeff Puissant
  - Eagle Creek did not receive any concerns from the draft amendment. They are now getting ready to submit the formal amendment to FERC. It will probably be submitted soon instead of at year end. FERC will then open it for a 30-day comment period. We could possibly get the response from FERC soon, but they have until Nov. 15, 2023.
  - Need to communicate to all riparian landowners that a point intercept and Eurasian watermilfoil mapping will be done next year. Eddie has completed grant application and it has been approved by Brenda Nordin. It is a 67% cost sharing.
  - All of the buoys have been pulled out. Only one was damaged.
- Education and Communication Committee – Jeff Brunson
  - Notice to non-members has been sent – need to confirm with Zach.
  - Committee met on 9/15.
    - Todd suggested that we recruit businesses to join SAWM.
    - Chamber would like to meet with SAWM. Jeff is working on setting up a time.
    - Chamber has tools that are available for us to use to communicate to the Shawano Community.
    - Current membership is around 651.

- Would like to have an additional fund-raising event that promotes the lake. Possibly a Poker Run on the lake.
- Would like to make a formal annual report. Green Lake has a good example. Need approval to hire consultant to produce the annual report.
- Motion to approve up to \$2500 to hire a consultant to provide a professional annual report by Todd Dobberstein, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Monfre, motion carried.
- Need to find out if report can be modified.
- Would like to designate specific board members to be liaisons to municipalities and have a consistent format of communication.
- Jeff and Todd met with the City of Shawano.
- Will continue to work with trying to communicate with the county.
- Should also have a tri-fold information sheet available to leave at the Chamber and other businesses.
- Should also communicate more with businesses.
- Fishery and Wildlife Committee – Dave Zelinger
  - Will inventory stream banks at Shady Lane and Merry Lane this winter (Feb/Mar) to try to alleviate runoff. Have sent letters to property owners.
  - Have had meetings about seawalls. Some engineers will look at possibilities on Shawano Lake using specifications from Army Corp of Engineers. There might be some state money available for pilot programs. Might not be feasible. Will have additional meetings with DNR.
  - Will have meeting about keeping the lake clean during ice fishing.
- Bill also reviewed the implementation plan from the Comprehensive Lake Plan. May want to have more board members attend the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention. All other items are going well.

**Conclusions:**

- Motion to approve up to \$2500 to hire a consultant to provide a professional annual report by Todd Dobberstein, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Monfre, motion carried.

**Agenda item:** New Business/Additional items

**Presenter:**

**Discussion:** No items

***Other Information***

**Adjournment:**

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jeff Puissant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Zelinger, motion carried.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.