

Shawano Area Waterways Management Inc.

Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2024

Shawano Airport

6:30 pm

Meeting called by: Todd Dobberstein

Note taker: Carla Osborne

Attendance: Todd Dobberstein, Paul Seidenstricker,
Ron Schumacher, Jeff Knope, Bart
DeFere, Jeff Puissant, Dave Zelinger,
Zach Pedersen, Carla Osborne
Guest: Mike Powalish

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

Minutes

Agenda Item: There was a quorum of 9 of 15 board members present.
Todd called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Agenda item: Meeting minutes from March 14, 2024 and April 11, 2024

Conclusions: Motion to accept the minutes by Jeff Puissant, 2nd by Paul Seidenstricker, motion carried.

Agenda item: Treasurer report

Presenter: Zach Pedersen

Discussion:

- Checks sent out for new equipment and money transferred from reserve account to cover checks.
- Towns of Washington and Wescott paid their 2024 contribution.
- \$4000 in DNR account is from Clean Boats/Clean Water grant.
- Chemicals were purchased and expense will show up in May.

Conclusions:

- Motion to accept the treasurer report by Jeff Puissant, 2nd by Bart DeFere, motion carried.

Agenda item: Committee Updates

Presenter: Committee Chairs

Discussion:

- Lake Quality Committee – Todd Dobberstein
 - New barge is here and looks good.
 - New truck has been purchased.
 - New harvester should be here within the next couple of weeks.
 - Todd is working with DotCom printing for new member and weed cutting signs.
 - Member signs will be available at annual meeting for anyone who wants one (at no cost) and everyone who purchases weed cutting will get a new cutting sign. Can easily order more if there is a demand.
 - Weed cutting team will place signs.

- Will order 96 weed cutting signs and 96 member signs to start with.
- Bart will try to use new barge for spraying.
- Channel buoys and slow/no wake buoys are in. Lake buoys and bridge lights will be placed on 5/10.
- Signs for new bridge are complete and will be installed before Memorial weekend.
- Education and Communication Committee – Paul Seidenstricker
 - Walleyes for Tomorrow article was in the last newsletter.
 - Annual report, dues invoice, and golf outing flyer has been sent.
 - Todd contacted Bolin's Speedy T's about merchandise. Need to pick about 20 items to choose from. Will try to have before annual meeting.
 - Paul is working on getting flags to purchase.
 - A website review meeting has been set for 5/15 at 2:30 pm.
 - People have been identified for the municipality updates.
 - 9 weekly articles for newsletters have been scheduled.
 - Will send a mid-summer mailing/reminder to non-member/non-donators.
- Fishery and Wildlife Committee – Dave Zelinger
 - Walleyes for Tomorrow hatchery went well. 5.5 million fry were released which should yield 25,000-30,000 breeding age fish in a few years.

Conclusions:

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Agenda item: New Business/Additional items

Presenter: Paul Seidenstricker, Dave Zelinger

Discussion:

- Paul and Dave gave update on the WI Lakes and Rivers convention.
- Bart had a suggestion to have a way to recruit members who use the lake but are not property owners. Could ask members (via newsletter) to share info, take out an ad in the Messenger or Visitors' Guide, put flyers in bars and at County Park.

Conclusions:

Other Information

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by Ron Schumacher, 2nd by Bart DeFere, motion carried.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.