

**GENEVA LAKE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY (GLEA)
WILLIAMS BAY, WISCONSIN**
**The monthly business meeting of the GLEA will be held in
Room 108 in Lowrey Hall, on the campus of George Williams College.
Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 6:30 pm.**

Minutes

Members/ Staff Present: P. Kenny (Village of Fontana), M.J. Fesenmaier (City of Lake Geneva), L. Lundberg (Village of Williams Bay), J. Schmidt (Director), A. Townsend (Admin. Asst.).

Guest Present: D. Malmin, K. Leith.

Members Absent: R. Pappas (Village of Fontana), T. O'Neill (City of Lake Geneva), J. Weiss & B. Whiting (Town of Linn), J. Lovell (Town of Walworth), R. Umans (Village of Williams Bay), D. Rasmussen (Attorney), T. Peters (Consultant), A. Wisnionski (Lake Manager Asst./Intern).

GLEA Board of Directors Meeting Called to order By Chairman P. Kenny at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call

General Business:

Public discussed pier extensions.

1. **Motion by M.J. Fesenmaier to approve the August 18, 2022, minutes. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.**
2. Monthly Review Items:
 - a. **Motion to approve August 2022 Income Statement by M.J. Fesenmaier. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.**
 - b. **Motion to approve August 2022 Balance Sheet by M.J. Fesenmaier. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.**
 - c. Bookkeeper's August 2022 Disbursement Report was made available for review.
 - d. Bookkeeper's ongoing Donation Report was made available for review.
 - e. Action on Staff Report:
 - **Motion to approve Director's report for August- September 2022 by M.J. Fesenmaier. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU**

Possible action on the following business.

1. Whole Lake PI Survey

Contractors are starting to book for 2023. GLEA will start getting another RFP ready for 2023. This will be how the GLEA will continue to monitor SSW populations in the lake. Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resource LLC found SSW throughout the Lagoon at Trinke Estates.

2. Grants

a) Wisconsin Lake Association-Stop SSW Grant

The stop SSW grant was not selected to move forward. GLEA submitted a pre-application for the WI DNR surface water grant for five outpost units.

3. Clean Boats Clean Waters Grant.

a) Cost Share

GLEA will apply for a CBCW grant. Waiting to hear back if the inspectors can be on the local municipality's payroll.

4. Water Quality / AIS

a) CD3 Machine

The plug wrench that was stripped on the CD3 Unit, J. Schmidt did this repair, the GLC cut the cord as the GLEA does not own the unit and did not want to be liable for any damage to the unit.

b) Water Alliance

Their next meeting is scheduled for September 28, at Barret Memorial Library in Williams Bay.

c) Local AIS Ordinances Chapter 30

Still being worked on with the attorney. We will also have another attorney take a look at it.

d) **Reverse Ordinance**

Pictures of an example sign were looked at.

e) **Beach Testing Protocols**

At the August Board Meeting, it was suggested that we increase the number of samples we take at certain locations. We have been grandfathered into a federal beach testing program through the DNR and adding more samples could possibly get us excluded from this grant. **Motion by M.J. Fesenmaier to keep the long-standing beach sampling protocols tied to the federal beach testing program. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.**

Gage Marine: Riviera Beach sampling. When the boats are emptied, the hoses, which do have a PVC check valve, are put in the water. It has been suggested that we do trace testing on the E.coli. There would be two tests, running \$500.00 each. **Motion by M.J. Fesenmaier to take two samples at LG3 outside of the grant. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.**

f) **Walworth County AIS**

Two new AIS have been found in Walworth County. The Asian Clam has been found in Booth Lake. The New Zealand Mud Snails have been found in Turtle Creek.

5. **Projects/Equipment**

a) **USGS Stream Gage**

The GLEA will be setting up a Zoom meeting for discussion on the USGS Stream Gage once we get dates. The GLEA will be funding this move and it is estimated to cost about \$9,500. This will be added to our budget for next year.

b) **City of Lake Geneva Lagoon (Geneva Lake Outlet)**

The GLLC is going to have some work done on the dam next year.

c) **2022 Boat Count**

We are still waiting on numbers from Gage, Jerry's, Gordy's, Yacht Club, Fontana Paddle Co., and the Boathouse.

6. **Marketing / Fundraising / Events**

a) **Website**

Intern and Admin. Asst. keeping up the website.

b) **Social Media**

A. Wisnionski is still posting, and Director will be adding posts as well.

c) **Materials**

Director will be trying to do more tables with pamphlets, hats, and information.

d) **Friends Hackmatack Event**

110 people showed up for the event. It was great publicity for the GLEA and a successful event.

e) **Walworth County Lakes Association Meeting**

The GLEA is hosting the Walworth County Lakes Association Meeting on October 15, at George Williams College.

f) **In Search of Eagles**

US Fish and Wildlife Service is doing an event, Winter in Search of Eagles. They have asked if the GLEA would like to staff a location in the area. There is no cost, just time. Possible location, Conference Point in Williams Bay, or Fontana.

7. **Conferences**

a) **WI Lakes Leaders call for Crew 14 – Seminar III**

The seminar is October 13-14 in Wisconsin Dells.

8. **GLEA Discussion**

a) **Partnerships**

Kettle Marine Land Trust (KMLT) would like the GLEA to partner with them for an educational program in 2023.

Motion by M.J. Fesenmaier to do one educational program with KMLT to broaden our exposure. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU.

9. **Technology**

a) **Copier**

There has been no interest in our old copier has been listed for sale on Craigslist and Facebook. Will look into a few more places to donate the copier.

b) Phones

Our current phone provider is no longer going to be servicing the phones we have. They have changed to Ring Central, and we would have to get new phones. Phones are about \$180 each for refurbished ones. We would need 3 phones and an additional line. **Motion by M.J. Fesenmaier to update phone system and get three ring central phones.**
Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU

10. Municipalities Updates and Reports

WI DNR is looking for a place to keep a boat on Geneva Lake to be permanently docked or moored for the summer to be used by the local Conservation and Recreation Warden. J. Schmidt will Check with Lake Geneva and Williams Bay to see if they have any available slips. The WI DNR Staff will be doing a site visit on October 7 and are in need of a boat for this site visit. DNR Staff includes Heidi Bunk our Lake Biologist and Waterways Permitting team members.

a) City of Lake Geneva

They are missing their watershed sign. The GLC is in charge of the signs.
GLEA submitted a funding request to Lake Geneva for \$35,000.

b) Town of Linn

Nothing

c) Village of Fontana

The triathlon is Saturday. The beach has been sampled and we have not received the result which means the samples were below an advisory.

d) Village of Williams Bay

The money was not raised so the stream is not getting rerouted.
GWC is looking at potentially selling the golf course.

e) Town of Walworth

Nothing

11. Set Next Meeting Date

October 20, 2022

Motion to adjourn at 7:38 pm by M.J. Fesenmaier. Seconded by L. Lundberg. CU

Dated September 15, 2022. Upon approval, posted at the GLEA office and website <https://www.gleawi.org/>.
These minutes were recorded and transcribed by Jacob Schmidt, Director. Aimee Townsend, Admin. Asst.

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