

**Minutes
Ida Lake Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Ida Township Hall
July 22, 2023**

Members Present

President – Lee Gustafson	Vice President – David Geddes
Treasurer –	Secretary –
District 1 – Wes Smith, Jerry McClure	District 10 – Frank Steen
District 2 – Grace Alberg, Janet Vandenriessche	District 11 – Dave Murphy
District 3 – Jeffrey Sorum	District 12 – Mary Saarion
District 4 – Bob Everson	District 13 – Mike McNab
District 5 – Charlie Leonard	District 14 – Jim Conn, Elke Richards
District 6 –	District 15 – Roger Schultz
District 7 – Tom Duxbury	District 16 – John Dahl
District 8 – Mark Nellerhoe	District 17 –
District 9 -	District 18 – Matt Gunlogson
Past President – Elaine Greer	

President Lee Gustafson called the meeting to order.

Meeting Agenda: Lee moved to approve the agenda. Mike S. seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Secretary's Report Mike S. moved to approve the June minutes. Dick Sudmeier seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report as of July 17, 2023.

Update – Julie Speck – The plan is to move ahead slowly and adjust to the new roll. Mike Kleve will coordinate with Julie. They plan to get together and discuss how to move forward. Julie would like to get Quickbooks online and that it will be worth the cost. Helps create better transparency. Plan to have a new line item in the budget to pay for the online version of Quickbooks.

Total assets of \$97,145.

Membership dues paid so far in 2023: \$7,830. 341 paid memberships to date (compared with 372 in 2022)

Lee would like the September 23rd meeting to have a collaborative budget presented by Julie and Mike so we can approve the budget.

Noted – David Geddes provided accounting from the county for AIS. Total cost was around \$6,000 and the county covered \$4,500 of it, so thank you to the county so we only had to pay about \$1,500.

Dian Lopez moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Dick Sudmeier seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Old Business

Fish Survey/Stocking: No news reported at meeting. Mike Kleve noted on the Treasurer's written report that walleye stocking donations are going well. They are on some club meeting agendas to seek a 2023 donation to the fund. We have enough funds to meet our 2023 commitment and if ILA and outside donations stay at current levels, we will have enough funds for 2024 commitment.

AIS Report: Quiet in the AIS world. Still waiting for Mark Ranweiler to come back for a second survey from the DNR. Questions to continuing using the less expensive chemical to treat the curly leaf pondweed.

DCLA: Talk about shorelines and rain gardens. Long discussions about recommending officers for the DCLA board. They need more board members and people to volunteer. Lake Ida needs an alternate. However, the DCLA needs people across many lakes in our area. They are looking for a webmaster, coordinate water quality, open line, communications, watershed efforts, variances, fish stocking, DCWQ Legacy Fund – they have been very good to us here on Lake Ida, to fund projects. We want to be involved so we can continue to receive money for projects.

Important to be involved. The county commissioners attend the meetings as well as Land & Resource management. We have about 40+ lakes in the county that need to be involved. Lee asked Dian to create an email containing the bullet points outlining the importance and guidelines of what they need so we can help communicate that with our members. Will pass along for the next member newsletter.

Pilgrim Point Update: Brad Bonk, Lee Katzmarek and Lee Gustafson met on July 11th. Indication for our concerns for Pilgrim Point and erosion. Brad was appreciative of the involvement and he too has a concern and spoke of what their plans are to reforest the point. Brad is worried about some of the foot traffic and the erosion. Brad suggests the congregation are to the tip of the point they plan to reforest and to try to keep people off that area so the new growth can prosper. Planting could happen as soon as this fall. Brad used "armoring" the point, slabs of hard rock that get set in place with certain fabrics to help protect the point for many years to come. The county has money for the reforesting currently. Now that Brophy is nearly done, they plan to turn their attention to Pilgrim Point. They are asking for help in the coordination of the planning and mostly funding of the Point projects. A meeting is planned to have Lee and Lee, the DNR, Brad Bon, and Jerry Hagenmiller to all coordinate the point development and protection of the erosion on the point.

As of Wednesday this week, Brad promised garbage and recycling bins for the public to use. Brad says there is a master plan made, and if something is not on the plan, then it's probably a rumor.

Fall Annual Meeting

Newsletter Ideas

Pilgrim Point Update

DCLA recruitment info

Need a secretary for ILA

Need articles for the newsletter within the week. Please include content.

Speaker for Fall Meeting – Ditch 23 information – Dick is going to get an update from Jerry Hagenmiller. Board members asking for more information so we can get this taken care of.

New Business

Farm runoff (West side of Little Ida)– Issue has been manure flowing into the lake. Farmer sold cows on December 19, 2022 but the manure was never cleaned out. Recently there are piles of manure piled in the feedlot area. Looks like there are finally steps being taken to help prevent the erosion. Something to be done with planting rooted grasses/plants. Maybe the culvert can have something planted too, to help prevent the erosion. Need to build up the road over by Betsy Ross – several options to try to minimize the erosion. Soil and Water needs to come out and look at the area to see what can be done.

Dick is going to call Danielle (works for Jerry) from Soil and Water to try to set up a meeting to get this area taken care of.

Signs: Need to order a full order of signs. Need to spend about \$360 for a full order of signs with posts. Dick Sudmeier moved to approve the expense. Julie Speck seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next Directors Board Meeting: Saturday August 26, 8:00am, followed by Annual Membership meeting at 9:00am.

Adjourn: Andy Lopez moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed, meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,
Elke Richards – Acting Secretary