

Minutes
Ida Lake Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Ida Township Hall
June 22, 2024

Members Present

President – Lee Gustafson	Vice President –
Treasurer –	Secretary – Jana Berndt
District 1 – Jerry McClure	District 10 –
District 2 –	District 11 – Robert Reed, Dave Murphy
District 3 –	District 12 – Steven Kvam, Mary Saarion
District 4 – Todd Searcy	District 13 –
District 5 –	District 14 –
District 6 –	District 15 – Roger Schultz
District 7 – Tom Duxbury, Dick Sudmeier	District 16 – Kandace Ellis
District 8 – Lee Katzmarek	District 17 –
District 9 – Andy & Dian Lopez, Lynette Dempsey	District 18 – Matt Gunlogson
Past President –	

President Lee Gustafson called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Meeting Agenda Dick Sudmeier moved to approve the agenda. Dave Murphy seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Lee reported that he will not be able to attend the director and annual meeting on August 24. Dave Geddes or Elaine Greer will need to preside both meetings that day.

Secretary's Report 5/25/24 Director meeting and General Meeting were sent out via email to directors. Dian Lopez moved to approve the minutes from both meetings. Roger Schultz seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report as of 5/31/24 was reviewed by group. Total cash assets of \$100,185.00 Membership dues paid so far in 2024: \$6,470. Jana was asked to contact Julie to send out a detailed report by district of the memberships to date.

Walleye Fund was highlighted. \$10,301 cash on hand and \$13,105 due for 2024. With county money and grant, we are good for 2024.

Bills to be paid: None

Jerry McClure moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Robert Reed seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Old Business

General Meeting Recap – No feedback noted.

Walleye Stocking Update- Lee provided the financial status of the fund under the treasurers report.

AIS Report:

Robert Reed provided the report. Cost of the delineation survey by Freshwater Scientific Services was \$2,450. Cost of the herbicide treatment by PLM was \$4,200. Total cost was \$6,470. We received a \$2,250 grant from the DNR, and a \$3,250 grant from Douglas County. Our final cost after receiving the grants is \$970. We receive DNR grants in some years and not in others. We recommend budgeting \$3,750 in 2025 in case we do not receive the DNR grant, and allowing for cost increases.

Water levels

We've had a lot of rain in May and June. Lake level is up to 1,365.50 feet which is typical of high water levels going back to 1988. We are in a good place for the rest of the summer.

Pilgrim Point Update – Lee Gustafson

Park Status – looking good and grass is coming up good. A few trees are popping up that have been planted. Bathrooms are up and running. No other news to report.

County Playground Planning effort – no new report on this.

Lake Water Quality Update – Lee Gustafson

AMA Wetland:

The meeting with county staff went well. Waiting on engineering firm to provide a plan set for county consideration. Tom Anderson, with the County Ditch department will provide letter to the DNR to explain what they will be doing for excavation. Once approved, they can begin the cleaning out process. The expenditure is being paid for by the county or possibly by the grant they received.

Questions raised at the meeting concerning the ditch clean out: Will it fill again? Yes Will it take a while? Yes. Once Tom and the crew get this first clean out done, ongoing

maintenance should be easier. No permit is needed. We can continue to clean out as it grows back.

On-going monitoring will hopefully take place to ensure the water is running down the ditch and not picking up the phosphorous in the wetland.

Ditch 23:

Upstream – plans have been submitted and are being reviewed by the county. Emily from the county has reviewed and indicated they seem acceptable. We are waiting for final county approval to proceed with next step.

A question was raised about the inlet from Miltona. It may be our next focus area since it's a source point for our water in Ida.

Little Ida Drainage Issue:

Engineer report indicated some ideas on how to address Little Ida drainage concern. We have requested an on-site meeting to review the plans and make sure it addresses our questions.

Douglas County Lakes Association Report (DCLA) – Dian Lopez

The stream testing is in the process. Steve Henry is evaluating the test results.

A shoreline guide is available from DCLA for \$5 pre-ordered or \$20 for online access. The guide helps homeowners understand how to care for their lake property. We agreed, the online access will be best.

An idea to send out a welcome email going out to new members of the association. We can talk to our newsletter editor about this concept and how we might incorporate into the newsletter.

President of Lake Osakis Association spoke at the DCLA meeting. It is being suggested that Douglas County may want a Lake Improvement District, similar to Lake Osakis. DCLA discussed and voted. This did not pass.

Fall Clean Up

Fall coordinators – we have 2 volunteers for the fall clean up. Thank you to Catherine Kliewer and Grace Lambert.

We are still needing Spring Coordinators.

New Business

Lake Water Levels are up over 6". The dam is full. At this point, no concerns noted.

Next Directors Board Meeting: Saturday, July 27, 9:00am.

Adjourn: Roger Schultz moved to adjourn the meeting. Dick Sudmeier seconded the motion. Motion passed, meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectively submitted,
Jana Berndt, ILA Secretary