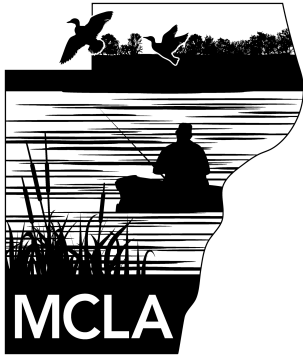




MANITOWOC COUNTY LAKES ASSOCIATION

"The Manitowoc County Lakes Association will protect and enhance the quality of area lakes and watersheds for the benefit of all."

General Membership Meeting

2-27-25 6:30 pm

Room 300, Soil & Water Conservation Building
4219 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI 54245

MEETING MINUTES:

- Called to order by Maria Lynch, Vice President.

Carstens Lake Phosphorus Reduction Project Update

Amy Lentz, LNRP & Sarah Majerus, Stantec.

- Amy Lentz shared a brief history and goal of the project.
- Sarah and Amy shared status of the project.
- Project is in conjunction with UW Stevens Point
- Originally a slag material was to be used. That has changed to Poseidon Pellets from Australia.
- Madson Construction is the excavation contractor and Hill Line Dairy is the property owner.
- Scrape was completed in 2023
- Sediment Basin was completed in 2024
- These expanded the flood plain and collection.
- Maximum depth of 4 foot.
- Many native plants are growing. The planting process is with seeds and plugs.
- Fall 2024 a bypass was installed off of Pine Creek into the sedimentation basin.
- A stop loss structure with fish exclusion screen was installed.
- Media collection point is at the end of the created road.
- Poseidon pellets are in a mesh bag. The size of the bags and when they need to be changed will be determined.
- 2025 will continue vegetation restoration.
- 2025 & 2026 will be the pilot study years.
- 2027 results will be reviewed and decisions will be made on how to proceed.
- Original culvert is for the base water flow. Alternate culvert is for high water events.
- Pellet phosphorus collection occurs during high water events.
- Temperature, flow and nutrients are analyzed.

General Business Meeting

- **Secretary's Report** - Reading of the last meeting minutes waived. They are on the MCLA website. Motion to accept, 2nd and carried.

- **Treasurer's Report**

\$12,382.29	balance in general account
\$9,856.15	balance in grant account

Motion to accept, 2nd and carried.

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2024-2025 Officers:

President: Jerry Corfman

Vice President: Maria Lynch

Treasurer: Marcia Salm

Secretary: Scott Umland

Press Sec: Roger Vander Logt

Past President:
Tom Ward

Lake Directors

Bullhead Lake
Ron Gerrits

Carstens Lake
Brian Robley

Cedar Lake
Cynthia Leitner
Mike Strebe

English Lake
Kim Skattebo

Gass Lake
Richard Blashka

Harpt and Tuma Lakes
Dan Dufek

Hartlaub Lake
Gene Weyer

Horseshoe Lake
vacant

Lake Michigan
John S. Durbrow

Long Lake
Chuck Kiehn

Pigeon Lake
Randy Steinbruecker

Silver Lake
Brett Hubbart

Spring Lake
vacant

Wilke Lake
Fred Ruszkiewicz

- **General discussion:**

- Motion was made by Maria Lynch to donate \$200 to Seven Rivers Soil Cooperative for 2025. Motion to accept, 2nd and carried.
- Motion was made by Maria Lynch for an ongoing annual payment to Manitowoc County Fish and Game. \$50. Per representatives and there are two representatives. \$100. Is the annual ongoing payment. Motion to accept, 2nd and carried.
- Most of the 2/27/25 Hazardous wake size resolution was read aloud:

2/27/2025 Hazardous Wake Size Resolution

DRAFT COPY ONLY

The Manitowoc County Lakes Association propose that the following resolution be adopted to communicate our concern regarding the adverse side effects to Manitowoc County's lakes created by the use of boats creating hazardous wake sizes.

Be it resolved that the Manitowoc County Lakes Association (MCLA) supports at a minimum a "hazardous wake" restriction preventing the intentional generation of hazardous wakes within 500 feet from any shoreline or any other water user on a lake or river and in waters less than 20 feet in depth.

Be it also resolved that although this resolution is intended for Manitowoc County lakes, MCLA recommends that hazardous wakes only be allowed on State of Wisconsin lakes that are 500 acres in size or larger to provide adequate space for the safety of all water users and mitigate any possible environmental impacts created by generation of these hazardous wakes.

For the purpose of this resolution a hazardous wake means a boat wake the height of which is intentionally amplified through the use of added ballast, boat design features or other operational procedures that are used to increase the size of the motorboat's wake. These enhanced wakes are generally created at speeds of 15 miles per hour or less with the boat operating in a continual bow up position.

Note that the intent of this resolution does not prohibit the use of any type of boat on Manitowoc County lakes; it only prohibits the creation of the hazardous wake sizes by said boats via the methods stated above.

Also, because each and every waterbody may have its own unique properties the MCLA resolution recognizes that in order to protect a specific waterbody, local municipalities shall have the right to enact or maintain local ordinances that are more restrictive than any statewide minimum that may be enacted.

Additionally, in order to aid in the prevention of invasive species, boats that move from lake to lake must safely decontaminate or remove residual onboard water prior to entering another waterbody.

Respectfully,

Jerry Corfman

President – Manitowoc County Lakes Association

- It is planned to vote on the resolution at the 4/17/25 MCLA general membership meeting.
- It was brought up that the Town of Schleswig expressed a concern of enforcement.

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- **Update on Lake Representative/Director Responsibilities, Dave Pozorski**

- Membership has grown for the first time in years. New members were all from Cedar Lake.
- Newsletter goes to all members and riparian lake and river owners.
- Lake Director is a better way to communicate with lakes.
- There should be 1 director and 1 alternate.
- Each member lake receives 1 vote.
- The lake director is to provide MCLA a lake report in person or in writing prior to the meeting.
- Lake Director is to report to their represented lake on what occurred at the MCLA meeting.
- Discussion took place that the directors in attendance were unaware of their responsibilities and explanation was very helpful.
- Directors in attendance would like to receive and emailed copy of the general membership meeting minutes. It was discussed that the minutes are also on the MCLA website.

Lake Rep (Director) Responsibilities

Through the years the Manitowoc County Lakes Association board figured out that we need a better way to communicate with our lake residents. At that time, we decided that each lake was in need of a representative and an alternate, giving each lake one vote on decisions being discussed at the meetings, in order for that representative to take meeting information back to their lake residents. Each director has a title as a director and is listed as such on our website.

- A director is an individual, or a designated alternate if the director is unable to attend a meeting, that represents a Manitowoc County Lake for the purpose of providing information to MCLA with respect to that lake's residents.
- Directors or alternates have voting rights on behalf of the associations they represent at our MCLA meetings. If both the director and the designated alternate are in attendance at a meeting, only one vote is allowed on behalf of the lake they represent.
- A director or alternate should be prepared to provide a verbal report on behalf of their represented lake at each meeting with respect to items relevant to their lake such as grants, projects, social events, and lake conditions, to name a few. If neither are able to attend a meeting then a written report should be emailed to the president a week in advance of the meeting
- The representative or alternate that was present at the meetings should report to their lake residents what transpired at MCLA meetings.
- A director is required to provide a short report for our newsletter, consisting of a couple of paragraphs reporting on grants, projects, lake conditions, and other items of interest.

January 27, 2023

- **Future Meetings**

- 4-17-25 at Soil and Water, Room 300. 6-26-25, 8-28-25, 10-11-25 (Annual banquet at Viking Bow & Gun), 11-20-25.

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- **Lake and other reports/open discussion:**

- **Bullhead Lake:** No Report
- **Carsten's Lake:** Oxygen monitoring is OK. It was 4 at a little over 15'. The aerator hasn't run for 4 years. Boat cleaning station has been good.
- **Cedar Lake:** Participating in clean boat, clean water work. Training is provided on this. Hopefully all weekends are covered with volunteers. Grant is received to help cover expenses. Fish stick program is underway. There may be some changes to the fishing regulations coming for Cedar Lake.
- **English Lake:** No Report
- **Gass Lake:** No Report
- **Harpt Lake:** No Report
- **Hartlaub Lake:** No Report
- **Horseshoe Lake:** No Report
- **Kasbaum Lake:** No Report
- **Lake Michigan:** No Report
- **Long Lake:** Brush has been cleaned up in areas. Volunteers are very hard to get. Long Lake had the largest boat landing receipts.
- **Pigeon Lake:** 400 pounds of milfoil was removed in 2024
- **Little Pigeon:** Low phosphorous levels.
- **Shoe Lake:** No Report
- **Silver Lake:** Eurasian Milfoil was found. They have very good water clarity. Silver Lake may have changes to the fishing regulations in the future. Boat washing station items get stolen. Over bagging of fish has been observed.
- **Spring Lake:** No Report
- **Sy Lake:** No Report
- **Tuma Lake:** No Report
- **Twin Lake:** No Report
- **Weyers Lake:** No Report
- **Wilke Lake:** Fish sticks were put on the ice in front of the DNR property a few days ago. 2025 will be the second year with revised fishing regulation and size limits.
- **Soil and Water:** There is discussion on sediment basin at the Cedar Lake boat landing. New plantings possibly in fall of 2025. They met at Pigeon Lake and helped update data and documented water levels for outlet structure, shoreline erosion and more. Benchmarks were reestablished.
- **Manitowoc County Fish & Game: No Report**

Motion to adjourn made, 2nd and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Umland,
MCLA Secretary