



September 16, 2025

**Call to Order and Welcome: President, Mark Fouts**

Present ✓

President Mark Fouts ✓	Director Wayne Breitenfeldt ✓
Vice President John Kurhajec	Director Cheryl Breitenfeldt.
Treasurer Lori Hubers ✓	Director Joe Hubers
. Secretary Patti Hooser ✓	Director Larry Duffee ✓
. Webmaster Mike Wallner ✓	Director Jeff Rappold ✓
Welcome Committee Deb Fouts ✓	

**Call to Order 9:00AM**

- **Approval of Minutes** from July 8, 2025 Board meeting Motion made and approved.

**Approval of Treasurer's Report:**

Savings amount to date: \$3,197.61

Balance in money market account is \$77,739.50

Lake Improvement Fund amount is \$12,237.94

Checking account balance is \$4,769.59

Motion was made and seconded to approve treasurer's report

**EWM and Future Plans:** Plants are marked, and new plants have been seen sprouting up. Some Board members have pulled plants out by the roots or have treated unofficially, since there is a 10% threshold we have not met. There was a discussion of the musky tournament and how the Chamber could put people at the landings of all 60 lakes to check boats. MLA Board members could attend a Chamber meeting to bring up this idea.

**Committee Reports:**

**Webmaster (Mike Wallner):** many photos have been sent to Mike for the MLA webpage. Question was raised about the best way to store the photos and make them accessible. There is a photos section on the website, or photos could be in albums on Facebook, or they could be placed on Google Drive(permission would be needed for access). Mike will look into this further.

**Boat Landing (John Kurhajec):** The blacktop signage was repainted on 8/12/25 - thanks, Deb! Jeff's camera was removed by Parks and Rec from the "You're on Camera" sign post, so a suggestion was made to place visible trail cameras on Fouts property facing the boat landing with signage in order to help persuade boaters to check and clean their boats while they are on camera.

**Social Committee (Bonnie Adam):** The annual meeting had 59 attendees. Barbara K. won the coveted Muskellunge Lake mug. The winter social was discussed. A possible date is 1/31/2026. Bonnie will schedule and reserve with the VFW Resource Center.

**Aerator Report (Joe Hubers):** New rope has been approved. Lori will place the rope order this week. Mark Fouts, Larry Duffee and Mark Dane will address securing the aerator pipe from the pump house to the lake in early October.

**Water Quality (Jeff Rappold):** EWM - Continue search patrol. Notify BOD of where EWM is seen so investigating and monitoring can continue on new sites.

**Fishery (Wayne Breitenfeldt):** The DNR checked walleye population by electroshock fishing on 9/16. The DNR will be stocking Musky in fall of 2025.

**Welcome Committee (Deb Fouts):** Two new property owners received a welcome packet: 8/13 James & Stephanie Cavandeas on Balsam Lane, lot #471.01, 9/12. Joe & Eileen McHughs at 2335 Balsam Lane.

**Membership & Dues:** The Lake Improvement Fund request will remain the same for 2026. Members will be asked to pay \$50.

**Old Business:** Healthy Lakes and Rivers applications: We are paid members of this organization. On the site, drop down to choose Lake, then select Vilas County Lakes and Rivers.

**New Business:** In the past, the lake association was more of a social means to connect neighbors and a way to share work towards a common cause. As time moved on, we needed to become more science based. Collaboration has moved to one-way E- messages and postings. Individuals participating in things to help the lake is becoming more rare. An example is our appeal to all owners to monitor at the boat landing for CBCW compliance during the musky tournament only yielded one volunteer. We need more members to get involved, as over time the lake will need your help. Recommendations were made of ways to increase participation in meetings and in getting input. Agendas for meetings can be sent out ahead.

Mark requested all committees provide annual committee reports with 1-2 paragraphs stating a summary of yearly business.

Adjourned 10:45 AM

Respectfully submitted

Patti Hooser

MLA Secretary