

TLIPA Fall 'Buoy' Meeting - October 5, 2024

Time: 11:00am

Location: Turtle Lake Tap & Grill

Agenda

I. Call meeting to order at 11:02am

Present: Cade, Scott, Donnie, Tom, Linda, & Lauren

Excused: Tracy, John, Jim

II. Welcome

Informational Meeting, no voting. Appreciate everyone's comments.

III. Treasurer's Report

Highlights of Budget presented by Donnie.

IV. Fish Stocking

9/24 Fish Stocking

Large Fingerlings

1400 walleye

400 small mouth bass

200 catfish

\$5,280 paid

Jim has spearheaded this committee. Thank you, Jim, for your efforts!

Travis & Jim work together to determine what fish to add each year.

Need permits to add fish into lake.

V. Aquatic Management Plan

At annual meeting mentioned this upcoming expense

1) Lake Management Plan

Completing phase 1 of plan by Spring 2026 for \$3300

To be completed every 5 years. 2015 was last report.

TLIPA did not pay for the 2015 report. DNR covered the cost.

Annually DNR has completed a free survey so able to bypass need for report.

Milfoil & Curly leaf pond weed are the 2 main invasive plants.

In 2024, no longer receiving free visit and need to update plan.

SWERPC to complete plan. Cost is \$3300.

Why do we need the plan? Need the plan to get a valid permits for dash, fish management, etc.

- Goal is to represent the lake community and work within mission statement
- Educational tool to help current & future boards
- SWERPC meet with the board in August.

What is the plan?

- Present the status of our aquatic plant community.
- Need a healthy plan for fish, water, and residents.
- Natural plants clean the water and provide food.
- Helps for long term management
- 4 main parts: data/analysis, long term management, fisheries, and communication

Timeline

Goal to complete by Fall 2025, finalized 2026
Reviewed by DNR & TLIPA
Won't pay for the plan until completed.
Signed agreement in 2024 to start report.

Public Comments:

- 1) Jimmy talked to Heidi. Said we don't need the report for permits, we have 13 years of data. Not a qualified lake association and not all can vote resulting in the TLIPA not receiving state grants. Discuss need for bylaw committee to revisit bylaws. Tracy will host a meeting. Peggy would like to be involved. Member commented that 10% involvement should be from full time residents.
- 2) Why aren't we applying for a grant to pay for the \$3300?

VI. Storm Management Plan

Board met with George Lawrence.
Have 2 gauges to measure water at Abla's & Beth Auer's pier.
Previously in a draught for a number of years.
In July, board established we need a better plan.
Wanting to clarify when to call a no wake.
What is a safe water level? Creating a committee.
Is a visible structure installed? Digital?
How to communicate with members?
Looking to have indicator at boat launch. Marker on north shore to help indicate.
Give the why and help explain. Understand it's an inconvenience.
Post water levels sign with information. Markers at launch like ski hill.
TLIPA president communicates with Richmond township on no wake.
Tree fell into lake in the channel. Homeowner responsibility to remove.
Located near the public boat launch.

VII. Public Comment

- Meeting was not sent out with 30 day notice.
- Haven't hosted public meetings since June. Held 2 board meetings without public.
- No newsletter communication to membership. All volunteers on the board & Linda will take responsibility. Apologies on not having better communication.
- More knowledge about wake boat laws and the effects on the lake.
 - Board has talked about it.
 - State of Wisconsin has it on committee. Waiting for state of WI and seeing what they are going to do.
 - 1 wakeboat plus a visitor at turtle lake
 - Not opposed to having wake board boats. All desired to enjoy lake.
 - Home lake for each boat to be declared. Concerned other boats will come to our peaceful lake.
 - Need more information.

- Will it damage the spring or shoreline?
 - Seek to understand small lakes & large lakes effect of wakeboarding boats
 - Need to educate members more on situation
- Boat Launch
 - 1 public boat launch managed by Richmond Township
 - 1 private boat launch for Crystal Bowl Subdivision
 - Should the association take over maintenance of the private launch?
 - TLIPA not associated with private launch
 - Homeowners to donate for improvements
- Print (\$20) & Stickers (\$3)
 - Created by member for fundraiser.
 - For sale at end of meeting.
- Bouy Take out
 - Thank you for all helpers!
- Education
 - Any interest in hosting a class to learn how to operator a boat?
 - Whitewater does a class
- Lauderdale is hosting a wakeboarding boat informational meeting

VIII. Adjourned meeting at 12:25pm