

Agenda/ Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 25May2023

Topic: Lake Wisconsin Alliance Monthly Meeting

Meeting Attendees:

Forrest, Deanna	NP	Kidd, Sarah	X		
Gleason, Mike	X	Murray, Andrea	X		
Herbert, Brandon	NP	Neander, Steve	X		
Hunt, Bob	NP	Zumm, Jenny	X		
Kell, David	X	Zumm, Rob	X		

Agenda/Meeting Discussion:

1&2. Meeting Administration

- David called the meeting to order.
- The meeting minutes of 27April2023 should be updated to reflect that Mike Gleason will be responsible to investigate alternative email services. With this change, the meeting minutes are approved.

3. Treasurer's Financial Report

- Discussion was held on investing some of the LWA account balance into a CD. Brandon had communicated that the bank currently holding LWA funds had a 7-month CD with a rate of 4.75%.
- The board approved a motion to invest \$40K in this CD.
- The board would also like to set up a savings account when a debit card is provided for the checking account. And we agreed to keep the majority of funds in the savings or other investment account (e.g., another CD). These accounts would be transferrable to the checking account but not linked (providing added security in the event the debit card is lost or stolen).

4. Communications

- The LWA mailer has been mailed to area boat owners.
- Mike is working with Clayton on access issues with the website.
- Board agreed to take LWA brochures and place at area businesses to expand visibility of the organization.

5. Membership

- Current status: 413 members; 20 are businesses
- No business have yet expressed interest in having a presence at the annual meeting.
- For the email invitation to the annual meeting email, there is a limit of 500 emails if using our current email services. Investigating other services that allow > 500 email

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address, Constant Contact is the only email service not recognized as spam mail. The subscription service is \$30/month.

- The board approved a subscription for this service for up to 1 year.

6. Education

- A donation still needs to be sent to the Crane Foundation for the planned presentation at the annual meeting. Jenny will follow-up with the foundation to see when they are expecting to receive the donation.
- Jenny attended the Stevens Point Convention and got several informative posters that can be put up at the annual meeting.

New Business

7. Sponsorship of Conservation Observation Day on Schoepp Farm June 23rd

- The announcement is out for Conservation Observation Day.
- Jenny will put an announcement for the event on the LWA Facebook page.
- LWA give-away materials for Observation Day will be the brochures and the floater key chains
 - Order more keychains for use at this meeting and others (Jenny will place order).

8. Railroad work near Merrimac. If anyone can find info, give to Jenny to put an update on FB.

9. Update brochure reprint: There are currently 500 extra brochures.

10. Book discussions for, "Ripple Effects: How We're Loving our Lakes to Death". By Ted J. Rulseh Presentations at our June meeting.

- Chapters picked so far
 - 5 – Sarah
 - 6 – Jenny
 - 9 – Rob
 - 10 – Dede
 - 15 – David
- We agreed that we would do 2 chapters per meeting. Chapters 5 & 6 will be discussed at the June meeting.

11. Okee Bay Association

- Andrea provided an update at the April meeting. The LWA should explore opportunities to support this association.

Old Business

12. Fish sticks update: Mike's DNR contact offered to show him fish stick placements on a lake near Madison. The DNR contact recommended placements be done in winter. Mike also went back

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to his Alliant contact and has received no response. Once we have Alliant approval, we would go to DNR.

13. Stump removal update: Alliant approves to remove stumps. However, the DNR has concerns with stump removal. At this point it is suggested we contact Arthur Watkinson for guidance.
14. Conserve Sauk County Film Festival update (Mike) Update in June
15. Follow-up on interest for the LWA to become a member of local Chamber of Commerce
 - i. Lodi Lake Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce – Jenny & Rob.
 - ii. Sauk Prairie County Chamber of Commerce – Mike

Post meeting note: Mike contacted Sauk Prairie Chamber of Commerce and membership is \$200 per year for non-profit organizations. The summer special is if we join this summer, we get the rest of this year free and are actually paying for 2024.

Benefits we get a week of our logo info on their electronic marquee. We can advertise on their marquee. We can list events on their calendar. We can put our literature in their lobby, etc.

They cover Sauk City, Prairie du Sac, Merrimac, Roxbury, and all the other surrounding small communities in this area of Sauk County.

16. Board Vacancy from Jon Plummer
 - Recommend getting a local business owner – Ray Kauhane
17. Lake Wisconsin Watershed
 - Suggest LWA host a Meet & Greet for organizations in the Lake Wisconsin watershed sometime next year. Mostly Sauk & Columbia counties. Could Arthur Watkinson be the point person for such a meeting?
18. Miscellaneous
 - Next meeting: June 22
 - Annual meeting will be August 26, 2023.

Action Items

No	Item	Responsible	Status
1	Revise April 27 meeting minutes as described in the minutes	Sarah	COMPLETED
2	Set up CD for LWA funds and follow-up on additional banking items as described in #3 above	Brandon	
3	Work with Clayton Hedgepath on access issues	Mike	
4	Subscribe to new email service, Constant Contact	Andrea	

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5	Follow-up with the Crane Foundation to find out when the donation is expected in relation to the annual meeting	Jenny	
6	Post announcement on Facebook for the Schoepp Conservation Observation Day	Jenny	
7	Order LWA "floater" keychains	Jenny	
8	Contact Arthur Watkinson to discuss stump removal issue	Mike	
9	Contact local chamber of commerce groups for Lodi and Sauk County	Mike, Jenny & Rob	
10	Explore LWA hosting a Meet & Greet for the Lake Wisconsin watershed	David	Continue to follow
11	Investigate requirements for placement & cost of fish sticks.	Mike	Continue to follow
12	Transfer Paypal management to Brandon		Continue to follow

**Lake Wisconsin Alliance
Treasurer's Report**

**Board of Directors Meeting
May 25, 2023**

Hometown Bank Checking Account

Balance as of 5/24/23 - \$53,435.63

Activity - April 26, 2023 - May 24, 2023

Deposits

\$5,077.97 - 4/27 - Deposit from DNR for RBF Grant Reimbursement #1
\$1,495.00 - 5/1 - PO Box
\$188.10 - 5/2 - PayPal
\$510 - 5/8 - PO Box
\$1,370 - 5/15 - Lucky's Raffle Proceeds
\$150.48 - 5/17 - PayPal
\$495 - 5/18 - PO Box
\$19.52 - 5/19 - Venmo - Cash Membership Andrea received.

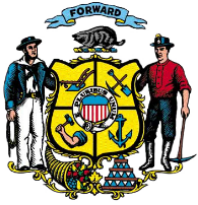
Withdrawals

\$1,186.38 - 5/4 - Check to Brandon. Reimbursement for 134 buoy lights purchase
\$1,500 - 5/12 - Check for Conservation Observance Day (Shoepf Farm) Sponsorship
\$3,335.76 - 5/16 - Check to Econoprint for Boat Owners Mailer
\$50 - 5/17 - PayPal Reimbursement to Joe Wajnert
\$1,606.04 - 5/18 - Zelle to Grade Boat Club. Reimbursement

Net Change 4/26/23 - 5/24/23 = \$1,627.89

Notes:

- Have not acquired a debit card yet as discussed at the last meeting. Still need to make it into a Bank First location during business hours.
- Still need to add David to the account. This will go along with a visit during business hours.
- Removing Kirk proved too difficult. Will open a new PayPal account, potentially as a business this time, to avoid the "personal" account issues with switching contact information. Will move over subscription information if I can.
- Second mailer to boat owners went out. Cost \$3,335.76.
- DNR Rec. Boating Facilities Grant has approved the second reimbursement for \$1,465.19. This should be deposited to our account any day now.
 - o Settled up with GBC for their 25%. This resulted in LWA sending GBC \$1,606.04. They split the initial buoys cost with LWA this was more than 25% of total cost.
 - o Only had \$8 left of grant value. Basically maxed out our free money from DNR.
- Lucky's held the drawing for the Busch Light. Proceeds for LWA was \$1,370. I picked up the check and it has been deposited. Lucky's is doing another round of this into the summer and plans to continue as long as demand is there.
- State of WI Annual Filing Complete. This keeps us active as an entity with the State.
- IRS Annual 990N E-Postcard (Tax Exempt <\$50,000 receipts) filing complete.



State of Wisconsin

Payment Advice

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RBF Grant Reimbursement #2

To:

Supplier Name: Lake Wisconsin Alliance

Supplier Address: PO Box 172

Poynette WI, 53955-0172
USA

Reference Information

Pay Cycle: DLYACH

Pay Cycle Seq Number: 2034

Supplier Number: 0000038198

Payment Information

Payment Reference: 0000849306

Payment Date: 05/25/2023

Payment Method: Automated Clearing House

Bank ID	Bank Name	Branch ID	Branch Name
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Bank To Information: Bank of Poynette

Bank To Account: ***479

QUESTIONS? Contact wivendors@wi.gov or 608-264-6600 with ref# and amt

AP Unit	Voucher ID	Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Gross Amount	Discount Amount	Paid Amt
DNR	00658003	CF RBF 1848 F	05/22/2023	1,465.19	0.00	1,465.19
				Grant# RBF 1848 Lake Wis. Alliance Nav Aids - Final payment		
Total:				1,465.19	0.00	1,465.19 USD

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

for Tax-Exempt Organization not Required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ

2022

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2022 Calendar year, or tax year beginning 2022-01-01 and ending 2022-12-31

B Check if available

 Terminated for Business Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or lessC Name of Organization: LAKE WISCONSIN ALLIANCEPO BOX 172, POYNETTE, WI,
US, 53955

D Employee Identification

Number 47-1435171

E Website:

F Name of Principal Officer: Brandon Herbert1605 Wimbledon Way,
Waunakee, WI, US, 53597

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CONSERVATION OBSERVANCE DAY

WITH THE SCHOEPP FAMILY



FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2023

9 AM - 3 PM

SCHOEPP FARM LLC

N2007 E. HARMON ROAD, LODI, WI 53555

Schoepp Farm LLC Was Awarded the 2023 Conservation Farm Family of the Year Award by WI Land & Water! Help Us Celebrate by Joining Us for a Day on the Farm. This Event is Free and Open to the Public! Enjoy Speaker Presentations, Lunch, and Tours. CEU Credits Available.

RSVP BY FRIDAY JUNE 12, 2023

(FOR ADA ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT US)

Columbia County Land & Water Conservation Department
(608) 742-9670 or Land.Conservation@ColumbiaCountyWi.gov

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(0.5 CEU CREDITS AVAILABLE PER EACH DEMONSTRATION TOUR)

9:00AM Registration & Refreshments

9:30AM Introduction & Welcome

10:00AM - 11:50AM Morning Tours (Choose 2 Tours)

- **Cover Crops & Planting Green**, Kevin Shelly, UW-Madison, NPM Program & Lake WI Farmer Watershed Council
 - Tour the Schoepp Farm cover crops and no-till practices.
- **Soil Pit Demonstration**, Jamie Patton, NRCS
 - Will highlight the living soils on the Schoepp Farm.
- **Rainfall Simulator**, Chris Miller & Doug Gass, NRCS
 - This tour will demonstrate the beneficial effects of conservation practices such as no-till farming, cover crops, and rotational grazing that improve soil health and water cycling on agricultural land.
- **Rotational Grazing**, Laura Paine & Grassland 2.0 Staff
 - This tour will showcase Schoepp's practice of containing and moving animals through pasture to improve soil, plant, and animal health.
- **Weather Resiliency Conservation Practices**, Adam Abel & Tyler Maass, NRCS
 - This tour will showcase heavy use protection, vegetation treatment areas, overwintering grazing practices, and animal trails.

12:00PM Lunch Program

- **Speakers:** Columbia County Land & Water Conservation Dept, DATCP, DNR, WI Land & Water

1:00PM - 2:50PM Afternoon Tours Repeat (Choose 2 Tours)

OR

1:00PM Bus Tour to Sauk Pastures

- Brian Pilsbury, retired State Grazing Specialist, NRCS & Dan Schaefer, UW-Dept of Animal & Dairy Sciences
- Watch as the cattle are moved through a grazing system
- The Bus Tour limited to 50 people. Will require proper walking attire. Please sign up for bus tour at registration.

3:00PM Open Discussions & Adjourn

PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 12, 2023

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For assistance related to a disability, please contact us prior to the event. Please note that for the afternoon tour to the Sauk Pastures, due to the challenging conditions of the field, we are unable to provide accommodations for assistance.

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