



**Loon Lake Property Owners Association**  
3727 Loon Lake Road  
Danbury WI 54830

**ANNUAL FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**September 3, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Brett Bauer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at Crossroads Christian Church.

The LLPOA Board present was introduced: President Brett Bauer, Vice-President Jerry Surprenant, Secretary Chris Moeller, Treasurer John LeMay, Craig Campbell, Mark Nagel, and Ex Officio Board President Larry Peterson (absent: Laura Jacobson, Paul Orman).

All attending members (24 total) were then invited to introduce themselves.

**SPEAKER**

Emily Moore, Water Resources Specialist/Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator of the Burnett County Land Services Department, was invited but unavailable to speak at the meeting. Her document, 'Burnett County Updates on Aquatic Invasive Species and other Water Related Themes' identifying several items our lake association can consider, was made available at the meeting (see attached).

President Brett Bauer briefly reviewed and highlighted each section:

- Messages for Lake Associations
- Aquatic Invasive Species Efforts in 2022
- Water Quality Plans
- Requested Topic – Water Levels
- Requested Topic – Big Motors, Shallow Lakes

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

- **Acceptance of Minutes:** Minutes from the May 28<sup>th</sup> LLPOA Annual Spring Membership Meeting were available for review and approval. Secretary Chris Moeller requested a motion to approve the minutes, which was made by Jerry Surprenant and seconded by Craig Campbell. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

- **Financial Update:** Treasurer John LeMay distributed copies of the August 31<sup>st</sup> Treasurer's Report detailing receipts and disbursements since May 29<sup>th</sup> with an ending balance of \$9,991.29.

- **Membership Report:** Paid memberships are presently 47 vs. 55 same time 2021. The current membership roster was circulated for any updates.
- **Acceptance of Treasurer's Report:** John LeMay made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report which was seconded by Mark Nagel. Motion carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Water Quality/Lake Survey Update:** Jerry Surprenant reported that the latest secchi disc reading for water clarity was only 7 feet – one of four measurements taken each season; all data is submitted for the year-end annual report which will be reviewed at the spring 2023 membership meeting. Voyager Village's new committee to monitor/address water quality on their lakes completed training and initial measures on Cadotte Lake.
- **Loon Watch:** LLPOA's Loon Ranger Jim Bjork is now serving his 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> year as part of the state's loon watch program. On Loon Lake black flies again caused the loon pair to abandon their nest; two new eggs were laid later and hatched two days apart but the younger chick did not survive. A new nest location was attempted unsuccessfully in Cadotte's south bay; no chicks were observed for this loon pair.
- **Invasive Species Update/Boat Ramp Monitoring:** Craig Campbell provided an AIS update.
  - Yellow iris has been observed on Loon Lake; if in spring you encounter it, wear gloves and cut it below the water surface or, if on land, dig it out.
  - Zebra mussel monitoring plates are again in place near the three Loon/Cadotte boat landings; all are asked to check for grainy, rough surfaces on boats/docks when removed which is the beginning stage of their infestation. (Of note, some docks on Big MacKenzie Lake, which experienced the first zebra mussels about four years ago, are now covered with several inches of mussels.)
  - Monitoring teams at the Loon/Cadotte boat landings would be very helpful for prevention especially on holiday weekends; if interested in volunteering, please contact Craig.
  - Canoes/Kayaks should also be sprayed down if taken on any other body of water.
- **Boat Count Information:** Laura Jacobson initially observed, followed by a separate count by Larry Peterson, a total of 145 watercraft on Loon/Cadotte Lakes – 107 on Loon with 38 boat slips on Cadotte.
- **Lake Topographic Map:** Brett Bauer presented copies of combined 'Loon/Cadotte – Colored Topographic Maps' which had been created by Don Lund. These maps visually show the various water depths on each lake, something everyone should keep in mind as noted in Emily Moore's 'Big Motors/Shallow Lakes' document discussion.

## OLD BUSINESS

- **SirenTel Update:** Jerry Surprenant and Mark Nagel updated the membership regarding the fiberoptic internet service presentation made by SirenTel at the spring meeting.

- Jerry stated that although many members signed a petition at the May 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, each person must complete an individual application either online or printed and submitted (via mail or taken to the SirenTel office). Enough interest must be documented to justify an installation around Loon Lake and allow SirenTel to pursue financial funding/grant(s).
- Mark distributed an online application example stating only basic information is being required at this time; this form indicates your interest level but is not a commitment. Please encourage neighbors to also apply.
- **Status of Voyager Village (VV) Boat Slip Expansion:** Larry Peterson, who has been leading this effort for LLPOA, distributed copies of the most recent VV slip expansion proposal draft and provided the following details:
  - The original VV plan outlined the addition of 32 boat slips on Cadotte Lake; now, with negotiation, this figure has been reduced to 14.
  - The original VV plan stated that no approval was required by the DNR or county; now, with negotiation, VV does acknowledge the need to obtain Burnett County approval.
  - LLPOA Board members have met with Jason Towne, Burnett County Land Use Committee Administrator, who confirmed that VV had also met with him and that VV will need to first present their plan to this Committee prior to the Burnett County Board for approval.
  - LLPOA Board members plan to meet with Town of Jackson representative, Burnett County Board Supervisor, and Land Use Committee Vice-President Craig Conroy plus other Committee members regarding this latest VV plan draft before it is formally presented.
  - The LLPOA Board has submitted a written response to this latest VV draft proposal regarding several concerns, including current non-compliances; proposed water quality/security measures; no future additional slip expansion plans on Loon/Cadotte. The 2002 VV PUD plan stated ‘no more’ slips; there have been no relative changes to the Loon/Cadotte Lakes since that time, so what warrants this new boat slip expansion plan?
  - An initial consideration for six additional boat slips was included in the LLPOA Board response, pending further input from this LLPOA membership meeting.
  - It is expected that VV will discuss this situation further with LLPOA before submitting their final plan for county approval.
  - Mike Hussey, most recent VV representative working on this initiative, offered to attend this LLPOA membership meeting; the LLPOA Board preferred to first present and discuss the VV plan internally with our members, so therefore his offer was declined at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Fourth of July Parade Winners:** President Brett Bauer recognized and posted photos of the top three July 3<sup>rd</sup> boat parade winners.
- **History of Loon Lake Initiative:** As Brett begins his 3-year tenure as Board President he would like to build the historical story of Loon Lake to be shared on our website. Please contact him with your background to include.

- **Spotlight on Loon Lake Stewardship:** Ex Officio Board President Larry Peterson was recognized for his excellent leadership over the past four years with our thanks and an official LLPOA sweatshirt. A biannual recognition for Loon Lake stewardship was proposed to begin in 2023.

**CALL TO ADJOURN**

A motion for meeting adjournment was made by Bruce Carlson and seconded by Mark Nagel. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Moeller, Secretary