

**LOON LAKE – WESCOTT
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
Fall 2015 Meeting Minutes**



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Remember our Courtesy Code at Loon Lake

1. Encourage personal watercraft to stay out 300 feet from shore.
2. Observe state laws to stay 100 feet from docks and boats.
3. End personal fireworks by 10:30 P.M.
 - a. **THE LAW – Fireworks in Wisconsin:** Fireworks that stay put and just smoke or fizzle are OK. This includes sparklers, stationary cones and fountains, snakes, smoke bombs, caps, noisemakers or confetti poppers with less than a quarter grain of explosive mixture.
 - b. **Fireworks that require permits:** Anything that explodes or leaves the ground – from Roman candles, firecrackers, and bottle rockets, to streaming, booming fireworks displays. Permits must be issued by municipalities to groups. Fireworks vendors cannot issue them, and individuals cannot receive them.
4. Use phosphorous-free fertilizer on lawns.
5. **Observe Ordinance 54:** NO WAKE BEFORE 9:00 AM AND AFTER 5:00 PM.

Subject: Biannual Meeting of Loon Lake Management District
Date: Saturday, September 5, 2015
Time: 9:00 a.m.,
Place: Camp Tekawitha

Entire Board present.

Chairman Lloyd Knope called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Lloyd asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2015 meeting. Dave Nusbaum so moved, seconded by John Abendroth. Motion carried.

Larry Philbrick gave the financial report. Expenses since the May meeting totaled \$5,703.63 including \$5,400 for lake treatment, Wisconsin Lakes membership of \$242.50 and miscellaneous expenses of \$61.13. Our checking account balance is \$2,671.93 and the savings account balance is \$121,601.00. We also have money left in a grant totaling \$20,274.50.

Larry presented the 2016 budget. The budget contains two estimates for weed treatment. If we spot treat next spring using Diquat the cost is estimated at \$6,000.00 bringing our total budget to \$12,970.00. If a full lake treatment is required, the cost is estimated at \$83,000.00 bringing the total budget to \$89,970.00. A final determination on which treatment plan we use will occur in early spring. An additional \$2,000.00 has also been included in the budget for a lake study. Property assessment will remain at \$200. Carol Schubert moved that the budget be approved. Bill Lueck seconded. Motion carried.

Damian gave the weed update indicating that there are some areas of concern specifically in front of Lloyd's place and on the backside of the lake that were not treated this year. Information from the DNR survey on July 22nd, a fall weed check scheduled in the next couple of weeks with John Skogerboe & the DNR, plus spring observations will help us determine what type of treatment will be done next May.

Damian also talked about the need to conduct another lake study. He explained that a lake study is different than a weed study as it includes analysis of the entire watershed. This type of study will help us understand what changes have occurred since the last study, providing good information for future planning.

Dave Nusbaum gave an update on the Clean Boat/Clean Waters program. He thanked everyone that participated in the program indicating that the new system, with picking up and dropping off the paperwork at the T-Mart worked out well this year. Dave reported we have a total of 67 volunteer hours this year compared to only 15 hours for the 2014 season. Even though the results this year were encouraging, Dave stressed the importance of improving on the number of hours next year as this work is very important when the association applies for future grants. Dave will work on some improvements over the winter. He plans to bring a sign-up sheet to the spring meeting so bring your calendars.

Damian discussed concerns about the unsafe operation of jet skis on the lake, including operating unregistered jet skis, operators with no life jackets and the attacking of wildlife. He reminded everyone to encourage others to follow the boating regulations highlighting the following:

- Any motorized boat must be registered
- If you were born after 1989 you must have successfully completed a boater safety program to operate a motorized boat.
- A life vest must be worn on jet skis
- Jet skis must maintain a distance of 100 feet from other boaters and 200 feet from shore.

More information about boating regulations can be found on the DNR website.

During the conversation about boat regulations a suggestion was made that we share our lake courtesy code and links to boating regulation information with each property owner. Lloyd also suggested that we encourage the bigger boats to stay out of the highly weeded areas to assist with limiting the spread of the milfoil. Judy Randall volunteered to put something together and distribute to each land owner. That information will also be posted at the boat landing.

Mike Schuler then gave an update on town business. He indicated the town was growing with seven new homes built in 2015 compared to less than that in the last three years combined. The town is also reviewing a change in garbage collection, possibly moving to the system with the roller garbage cans. Mike also brought up the concern about vandalism at the boat landing. The õPorta-Pottyö has been removed from the landing due to the vandalism.

It was mentioned that there are shoreline conservation grants available for land owners giving up to \$2,500 per property (50% of cost). The grants are available for shoreline restoration projects in Shawano County. Contact Scott Frank at the county office for more information.

David Schonke made a motion to adjourn. Carol Schubert seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Claire Lueck, Secretary