

GENERAL INFORMATION			
<b>Monthly Meeting</b> <b>Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee</b> <b>Aquatic Invasive Species</b>	<b>Date:</b>	May 10, 2022	
	<b>Time:</b>	7:07 pm	
	<b>Location</b>	Zoom Meeting and Community Center	
	<b>Next Meeting Date/Time:</b>	June 14, 2022	
<b>Conducted by:</b>	Nick Williams		
<b>Recorded by:</b>	Jorja Burke, Alternate Secretary		
ATTENDEE INFORMATION			
Attended	Name	Lake	Attended via
	Behr, Fritz	Lynx Lake	
	Benn, Eric	Armour	
<b>X</b>	Burke, Jeff	Van Vliet	Community Center (CC)
<b>X</b>	Burke, Jorja	Van Vliet	CC
	Casey, Susan	Armour	
	Cerny, William	Lynx	
	Czarny, Mike	Van Vliet	
	Drum, Sue	Horsehead	
	Duke, Jim	Wildcat	
<b>x</b>	Gawriluk, Susie	Katinka	Zoom
	Gorrilla, Larry	Crab	
	Gorrilla, Colleen	Crab	
	Gruca, Gary	Lynx	
	Higley, Catherine*	Vilas C. Invas.Spec.Co	
	Horswill, Bob	Armour	
<b>X</b>	Jacobsen, Ronie	Van Vliet	CC
	Lewandoski, June	Rosalind/Papoose	
<b>X</b>	Lewandoski, Paul	Rosalind/Papoose	Zoom
<b>X</b>	John MacLean	Town Board Liaison	CC
<b>X</b>	Mawicke, Ann	Natural Lakes	CC
	Novak, Linda	Oxbow	
<b>X</b>	Novak, Otto	Oxbow	Zoom
<b>X</b>	Phillips, Carol	Wildcat	Zoom

x	Phillips, Richard	Wildcat	Zoom
x	Plouff, Gary	Frontier Lakes	Zoom
x	Preston, Tom	Katinka	Zoom
x	Ruch, Bob	Carlin	Zoom
x	Ruch, Judy	Carlin	Zoom
x	Sisbach, Sarah	Presque Isle	CC
	Speer, Gail	Katinka	
	Strauss, Lynn	Horsehead	
	Suffron, John	Annabelle	
	Suffron, Kay	Annabelle	
x	Vogt, Dave	Annabelle	Zoom
	Walters, Lorine	Horsehead/Town Clerk	
	Watkins, Mary	Carlin	
	Weber, Cathy Logan	Annabelle/Town Supv.	
	Wiegand, Tom	Horsehead	
x	Wierzba, Tom	Big	CC
x	Williams, Nick	<u>Crab</u>	Zoom

<b>MEETING MINUTES</b>	
<b>Topic/Subject</b>	<b>Discussion Items</b>
Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7 :07PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred.
Secretaries' Minutes	Accepted as written with no corrections.
Changes/additions to agenda	None
Intro of new members/guests	Dave Bogan/Natural Lakes, Attended @ CC.
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Balance is \$3883.63, no transactions during April 2022.
Correspondence	1.Email to town board from Nick re grant payments and expenditures 2.

<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>Lake Study Grants for 2018/2019 (see accounting attachments):</b> Nick explained the figures. Waiting for the DNR to finish reviewing. \$28,077.11 is town share of 13 lakes studied. Donation from Whitewater: \$9,532.00. Kevin Gauthier has acknowledged receipt of paperwork from Whitewater. Nick expects full payment from the DNR by year-end 2022.</li><li>b. <b>Shoreland study – Carlin Lake:</b> In progress. No new information to date.</li><li>c. <b>Hazardous Wake Ordinance:</b> Judge’s ruling under appeal. Appeal has been filed.</li><li>d. <b>Wisconsin Conservation Congress Results:</b> 2 Dane Cty motions passed by 94%; Vilas Cty motions passed by 80%.</li><li>e. <b>Maintenance - Dissolved oxygen meter:</b> Fritz B &amp; Paul L said \$320.00 is cost for maintenance and cleaning supplies for the 2022 season. Nick got charges from Fritz &amp; asked Lorine to send him a check. The meter will soon be ready for wide use. Calibration has been done for conductivity. Replaced a sensor. Sarah Sisbach wants to use it on PI Lake and will call Paul.</li><li>f. <b>Other – None</b></li></ul>
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**New Business**

**a. All Town Presentation Comments (see attachments):**

An History of Grants was reviewed by Nick. In 2021, 8 lake studies were sent to DNR for review. Nick's comments are attached. \$13,000/year average annual budget for the grants. John stated he thinks too much money has been spent over the years on monitoring our lakes and that 3 tests per lake (testing began in the early 2000's) is too many. Discussion followed re the importance of each individual lake's histories.

Sarah said it's the DNR's decision as to what is a grant to be funded. It's valuable to us right now because of the current wake boat issue. Our data is good. Dave Bogan pointed out that the DNR decides how much and where grant awards are made and that is out of the purview of this town/committee. PI is the only township in Vilas Cty that does not have any aquatic invasives species (other than rusty crayfish and yellow iris). The potential of having lakes become infected is ever present and we need to be ready should this occur. Dave V advises John that almost every lake is different from others. The intent is to track trends. One study – one point; second study – up/down/what?; third study – drops possible. Now there's some idea and we can guess the trend...more data, more knowledge of the trend. You need historical data to see what's happening in the lake. Otto N reflects that the DNR thinks studies go stale after 5 or 6 years and fresh studies are needed. Nick would like to see our data consolidated by someone who can interpret our data to show trends. Tom Wierzba says Big Lake embraces these studies because they feel it creates a good base to follow and is money well-spent. Tom went out with Quita Sheehan/VC today; she mentioned putting Whitewater data to good use in helping them with the erosion study and establishing criteria with Rice Creek Watershed Project.

**b. Big Lake, Van Vliet Lake and PI Lake CB/CW Grant:**

This grant is shared. Tom W explained that the DNR won't allow a grant for less than 200 hours. Big L. put in for 300 hours. Ronie wanted more support for VVL but it only shows up under Big L., not PI L. and VVL. Ronie has spoken with Discovery Center and the largest amount the DNR will reimburse is 75% of cost up to \$4,000. Sarah spoke to only one of the boat landings being monitored and that the PI Lake Board wants monitors at the 2<sup>nd</sup> landing, as well. She said a wash station on PI Lake would be nice, they'll be discussing it further. Sarah opined that boaters on PI Lake are well-educated and accept the rules, demonstrating that CB/CW projects work.

**c. An award: Congratulations to Ann Mawicke, who recently received the Invader Crusader Award. She was congratulated by Nick and PITLC members!**

**d. Reflection on today's meeting:** Attendees by Zoom, 11 and attendees in person at the CC, 8. Judy stated she appreciates the Zoom, glad she can attend from Iowa.

	<p>Ann will continue monitoring PITLC meetings by Zoom and wishes Nick to be safe at home</p> <p><b>e. Other:</b> Curious about the lake levels on other lakes, John M commented Crab Lake depth is below average. Others: Big is high, Natural Lakes is high, Rosalind is high. Discovery Ctr. Lake depth gauges are going to be installed in about 2 weeks per Paul.</p> <p>Discussion continued re Nick's wishes to see PITLC's data consolidated by someone who can interpret that data to show trends over the years. Several possible contacts were mentioned: Notre Dame (worked on the north shore of Tenderfoot Lake); Ron Sharka; and UW Limnology/Susan Knight. Jeff will make contact with these people and relay information to Nick. Dairyman's uses MI Tech for forestry and maybe they use MI Tech on the lakes.</p>
<b>Adjourn</b>	<b>Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams at 8:15pm.</b>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>June 14, 2022: Zoom or at the PI Community Center.</b>

Unapproved minutes.