Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lake Washington Improvement Association

Tuesday, 06/16/2026

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Washington Improvement Association was held at the Lake Washington Park community center. The following board members were present: Chad Fowlds (Area 1), Karen Wright (at-Large-Area 2), Joel Prybylla (Area 3), Jim Folden – Secretary (Area 1), Chuck Brandel – Pres (Area 4), Greg Germscheid (Area 5), Harlan Mehlhop (At-Large), Kent Reeves (At-Large), Dan Connor (Area 5). Charlie Dumdei (Area 7) Also guest Becky Beyer

President Brandel called the meeting to order at 6:05m.

A motion to approve the agenda with was made by KW and seconded by JP and unanimously approved.

Minutes from the May 19th meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve was made by JP and seconded by HM and unanimously approved.

Kent Reeves presented the Gambling Report: Net gain for the month from the 4 sites was $19437.89. LWIA's share of the net gain was $8393.49. Cash over/short amounts were reported and inventories on hand were reported. Cash on hand in the gambling checking account at month's end is $126511.98, and vouchers for the month totaled $48786.17.

1) The gambling funds need pre-approval for all checks on LG1004
2) Vouchers numbered 8536 thru 8560 were presented for approval
3) Approval of two lawful purpose expenditures: LWIA for $15,000, and MN senior Men's Amateur Baseball Ass'n-$1500

The Westwood had an exceptional month, which benefits us greatly as we get a 90% of the funds raised. The shortage at South Street has been dealt with. One game was short and it was due to a counting error. Kent has made it up out of pocket, as it was a Gambling Manager responsibility. All supporting documentation was present for the review of the Board. A motion was made by Jim Folden to approve the 3 items and the gambling report as presented, and seconded by Joel Prybylla, and unanimously approved. (Kent Reeves abstained)

Further discussion ensued about the upcoming Gambling Manager change. Becky needs to be a member of the Association in order to be the gambling manager. Kent has agreed to take an open seat on area 2, and Becky agreed to take the "at-large"Har position that is now open. A motion was made by Jim Folden, and seconded by Harlan Mehlhop to have Kent Reeves take the open Area 2 slot. This was unanimously approved. Another motion was made by Chad Fowlds and seconded by Kent Reeves to seat Becky Beyer in the open "at-large" seat. This was unanimously approved.

General Business: Committee Reports

Gambling Committee: Did not meet.

Treasurer's Report/Investment & Finance Chuck presented in Spenser's absence. No questions, JF made a motion to approve the expenditures and the report, this was seconded by JP, and unanimously approved.

Communication/Website/Social Media: Jim presented the recommendations of the communications committee from a recent committee meeting. We will be keeping our existing database, keeping dues at $75, sponsorships will be $250, our gaming sites will have a free ad and acknowledgment, and we will keep the existing URL. The finish date hopefully will be July 30.

Fundraising: No report, but Chuck brought up the fact that we need both a Chairperson and an assistant Chair.

Water Quality-Chuck: Water quality monitoring program has started.

Aquatic Invasive Species-Chuck: Survey by the DNR is done. They basically surveyed everything we had paid to have surveyed. They have sent us a map of where we can harvest, but the DNR rep who can approve it is on vacation. It is hoped he will give final approval soon, as we are running out of time. Also Chuck requested people try to get pics of the harvesting for promotional reasons.

Lake Improvement District (LID)-Chuck: There was a long discussion. A handout was reviewed; and it was decided that a straw poll will be held at the annual meeting (Steve Kaitz will be presenting information).

Membership: No report.

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Old Business- All Directors are now paid in full for 2026. The on line email vote was reviewed. A motion to send a letter in support of LeSueur County's responsibility to uphold and consistently apply the standards established within the LeSueur County Ordinance to maintain appropriate development density and consistent land use decisions with respect to a proposal for a duplex on Baker Bay Road had been made, seconded and unanimously approved.

New Business: Annual meeting was discussed. The date will be Tuesday August 18th. Same time as usual, doors open at 5:30, dinner at 6. Johnny B's for 100 plates. Barb and Jim for the check in table. Chuck will verify with Camp Patterson; Harlan will reach out to Scott Mackenthun, DNR for speaking. A motion was made and seconded and unanimously approved for the date and the caterer. (JF/KW)

New board members needed: One is now replaced, the other will be brought up at the annual meeting.

Jim brought up the donations approved last month from LWIA and gambling partners to Camp Patterson (501c3) and LeSueur County Parks Dept. Both of these groups allow us to use their facilities at no charge. A motion had been made and seconded (CB/Jason F) and 9 approved, and one nay vote; to donate \$300 to the county park, and \$500 to Camp Patterson. Kent will work on this.

Meeting Wrap-up: Next meeting is July 21, 2026

Meeting was made to adjourn at 7:25. KR/JF, and unanimously approved.

"The purpose of the Association shall be to create and/or maintain a Lake Washington environment to the advantage of Association members, lake residents, and users of the lake through advocacy, education and stewardship."