# Loon Lake Watershed Improvement Alliance Minutes Date: 4/13/24

Call to order: Eric Busch 0932

**Board Attendees:** Eric Busch, Dede Ranger, Bridget Quibell, Bob Reynolds, John Hayden, Jean Maess, Alice Publow, Dede Ranger, Joe Carlson, Mark Davidson

Welcome guests: Joanne Bennett, Adam Landis, Mark Richardson, Sharon Mitchell

Quorum: yes

**Approval of minutes:** Motion to accept made by Jean Maess and seconded by Bob Reynolds. All in favor to accept.

**Treasurer's report** Karen Monroe not in attendance

Balances Checking \$

CD \$

Total \$

- Distributions:
- Contributions:

#### **President's Messaging**

Sewer/wastewater project update: Committee Work- Eric Busch and Bob Reynolds The committee is working hard and hopefully by the end of the month, we will know if Wayland is on board to support the WQIP grant.

#### **Old Business**

-Walking path/Trail extension: Alice Publow trail map is in Adobe Illustrator program per family. The map is basic. It can be reproduced on signs. She will have it done by the middle of next week as she is making some changes.

Eric suggested some paper copies to share at the preserve.

-Aeration Study: Joe Carlson nothing new

### **New Business**

-Lake Springs: Eric Busch has two springs that have come back this year after being dry for several years. He believes it is a nod to the improving water table. The creek is running well and there seems to be run off.

Alice states there is water in Devil's Hole near her property.

-Retention Pond Antler's Inn Road: Bob Reynolds Approximately 2014 there was concern about sediment coming across the Vargeson Property. The county and town worked on changing the culvert to two and a retention pond was dug. There has been heavy rain and sediment in Serenity Cove

Bob met with Zach Barnard from county wastewater program to review the area of run off. He is working to set up a review of the stream in May. Eric and Adam will join. Alice advised that she and Andy looked at the road and it is eroding the north side shoulder of Antler's Inn Road. After running down the hill. It then runs into LL upstream from the retention pond culverts.

Committee reports:

-Summer entertainment: Dede Ranger see the calendar she shared via e-mail. It is tentative, She will get it typed up as she finalizes the schedule. She has not gotten confirmation from LLA about \$500. She has also left a message for John Malther to invite to the HAWE concert. She is also seeking approval for funds to go to Perkinsville FD. He has not called back.

The Celebrate the Lake Event ran around \$600. She has \$2000 and her spending is up to \$1850. She is looking for input on hiring a DJ as she might go over her spending. People may email Dede with any input.

Mark Davidson asked about insurance coverage for active programs such as Qi-Gong and Yoga. Bob Reynolds states they have reviewed policy. There is protection for lawsuit. There is a contractor clause as well. Eric thinks that will cover the activities.

-Educational signs: Mark Davidson has heard back from Backer sign folks. He received the 2024 price list last night. He is checking the pricing on the 2 signs approved (Eagles and shoreline) Mark will let us know the price change on these.

-Communications: Bob Reynolds/Jean Maess Jean reports that she and Bob met and reviewed step for communication. They have identified a couple groups online and on Facebook that they will discuss sharing information. They are also trying to get the websites to communicate. They are also looking to update the LLWIA site. Jean has taken the assignment to try to update the site.

Bob reports that he asked Mary Alice to add a link to the LLA website for LLWIA website.

Bob continues the rebook sharing as well. Eric notes there is a QR code on the new welcome signs that takes to the website.

Alice keeps an email group called Loon Lake Learners and she sends a link or copy to the board and to others who she knows are interested. She offers to add others. Jean asks if they should be on Facebook page. -Egg oiling: Adam Landis reports that he is ready to get started. He is looking for nests. Eric reports a nest at McCallister's Point. No other nests found at this time. Eric suggests that everyone take a look around and report to Adam.

-Water testing: Alice Publow has started testing. Water has been noted to be cloudier the year.

## **Preserve Manager report:**

-Welcome signs for preserve: Eric Busch Former board member Hillary Mosher designed the signs and her Father, Chapel Road resident, Mark Richardson donated the signs to welcome all to the preserve. There are six in total and will be placed. The signs are about 24"X18" They will be recognized at the event this summer.

-Preserve Tree tending: Alice Publow reports that no new trees have been ordered. Please let Alice know how the individual groves are and what they are in need of. Alice states that she has ordered fertilizer stakes. She has asked grove stewards to check and straighten tubes., Please clean out the tubes. Alice would like a count on dead trees.

Messaging: See communication

**Future**: 3-6 months pole barn repairs, endowment fund, flood planning 6-12 months LAL and Emo Road Sediment.

Meeting dates: 2024

May 11 0900 Preserve

June 8
July 13
August 10
September 14
October 12
November 9

Adjournment Eric Busch 1037

Respectfully Submitted, Bridget Quibell