

**Sunset Lake Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**April 26, 2023**

**Board Members present:** President – Pat Quigley, Vice President - Nola Knight, Secretary - Peg Milosevich, Treasurer - Katie Simenson

**Board Members absent:** Kevin Weslaski, Barb O’Brien

**Call to Order:** Pat called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Approve Minutes from last meeting:** The minutes from the February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Board meeting were approved.

**Old Business:**

**2022 Tax Filing** – since we received an Employer Identification Number (EIN) in 2022, we (Katie) filed a 2022 tax return with no income.

**Website Update** – Pat shared a preview of the new Sunset Lake Association website which will be ready soon! It will be the central resource for SLA updates and news. It will also have links to important informational resources. Thank you again to the Image Management team for all their hard work on the website and the logo! Watch for the “official” launch announcement of the website ([www.sunsetlakeportageco.com](http://www.sunsetlakeportageco.com))!

**Milfoil Monday’s** - more to come! Paul List will be graduating and CWES (Tom Quinn) is awaiting approval of an Invasive Species Intern.

**Financial Report:**

Our current balance is \$1,237.06. Pat will forward the monthly US Bank statements to Katie for reference. The Board approved reimbursing Pat for the WI state filing and receipt book purchase.

**New Business:**

**Mission statement** – the Board created and approved the official mission statement of the Sunset Lake Association:

*Our mission is to preserve and protect the health, natural beauty, ecological balance and recreational opportunities of Sunset Lake for current and future generations. We strive to maintain the lake’s water quality, prevent invasive species, promote responsible boating and fishing practices, and foster a sense of shared responsibility among lake users and nearby residents.*

**“Welcome Back to the Lake” June Gathering at CWES** – you are invited to attend a gathering at CWES on Saturday, June 17 at 9:00. Pat will start the meeting with an update of the Sunset Lake Association, followed by a presentation on how to identify and remove milfoil. We are hoping to have someone from Golden Sands Resource Conservation and Development Council do the presentation. There will be time for open discussion, and we will wrap up the meeting with social time. Morning beverages and treats will be provided. We hope you can attend!

**Lake Management Plan** – a meeting was held on April 12, 2023, to review the Lake Management Plan. At that time, the plan was approved by the SLA Board.

Pat then attended the Town of New Hope Board meeting and presented the plan. Timm Raddatz and Todd Knepfel are Board members. Ray Reser, also a Board member and Central Wisconsin Archaeological Consulting Principle Investigator, shared information about three Indian mounds around the lake that are protected by state statutes. The plan was approved with a notation about the protected sites. Portage County and the DNR approvals are next.

**Open Discussion:**

Pat attended the Wisconsin Lakes & Rivers Convention in Stevens Point last week which is “an annual event that brings together people who care about Wisconsin’s waters to share ideas and learn from each other”. The convention is typically held in mid-April. Pat found it very informative, and he encouraged others to consider attending next year.

Officers and Directors insurance – still under consideration.

The meeting ended at 7:55 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

Respectfully submitted,

Peg Purcell Milosevich

