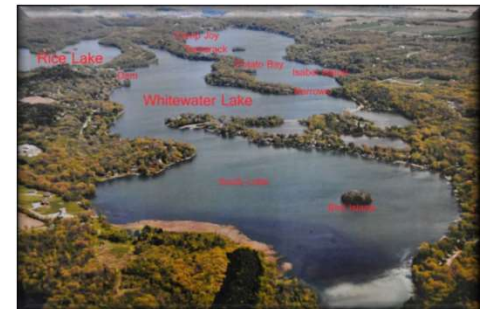


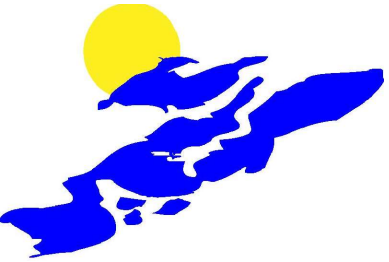
Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District

**2023 Annual Membership Meeting
August 26, 2023**

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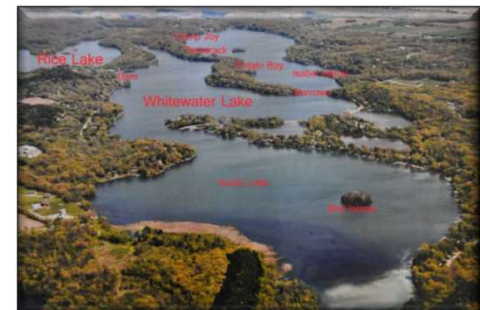
GWLPOA Association Update

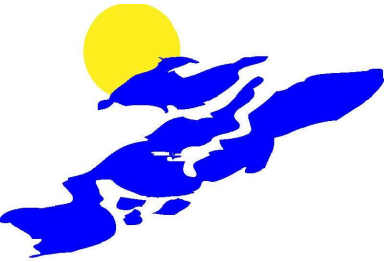




Agenda

- 9:00a Opening remarks – Rich Charts, Chair
 - Call to Order
 - Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes
 - Safety Patrol/Ordinances – Brady/Hintz/Rodgers
With Distinguished Guest Sheriff Dave Gerber
 - 9:25 Review by commissioners:
 - Chemical & Barley Initiative – Mike Lindenmuth
 - Bog Removal - Rich Charts
 - Weed Harvesting – Carol Ducommun
 - Equipment - Chuck Chamberlain
 - Financials – 2023 Actuals - Brad Corson
 - Capital Plan – Chuck Chamberlain
 - 2024 Proposed Budget – Brad Corson
 - Audit Report – Don Olinger Report
 - 10:30 Presentations on Lake Initiatives
 - Wildlife Management – Ernie Roy
 - Fish Management - Tom Potrykus
 - Navigator Survey Update –Ducommun/Rodgers
 - 10:45 GWLPOA Annual Meeting – Nancy Lindenmuth
 - 11:00 Input from Towns of Richmond and Whitewater
 - 11:10 Introduction of candidates followed by voting:
 - Dan Berg
 - Mike Lindenmuth (i)
 - 11:15 Election results
 - 11:15 Open Discussion/Resident Input/Debate Continuations
 - 11:30 Adjournment – Next Meeting August 24, 2024
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- 11:30 Brief Lake District Board Meeting
Election of lake district officers



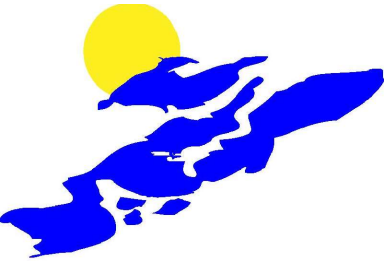


Overview

- New initiatives taking place
- New website
- New crew and harvesting process
- Succession plan in effect
 - Brad Corson retiring after 12 years as Treasurer, 2 years as auditor
 - Carol Ducommun stepping up to Chair
 - Dan Berg and Mike Lindemuth (i) running for 3 year terms
- Lake conditions good
 - Weeds down
 - Algae down
 - Water clarity deeper
 - Improved fish quality

Rich Charts





Safety Team Report

- Bad News

- Limited patrol hours due to staffing shortages
- No expected relief in 2024 season

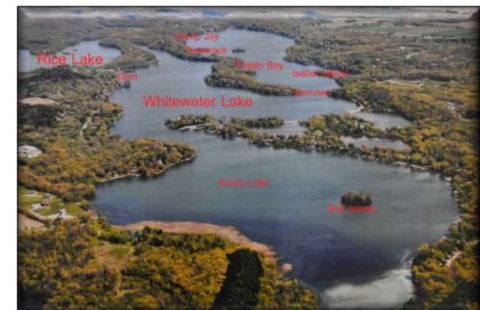
- Good News

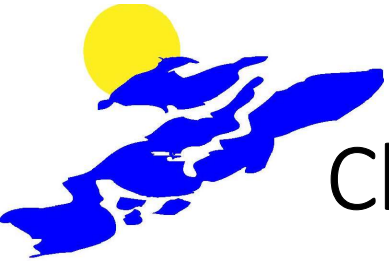
- Relative safe Summer season – one boat rescue – overturned boat
- No fatalities / no near drownings

- Old news

- 44 Students in 2023 boater safety class / 11 from Lake Geneva Safety Patrol
- Boater's Safety certificate needed to rent boats in Wisconsin regardless of age

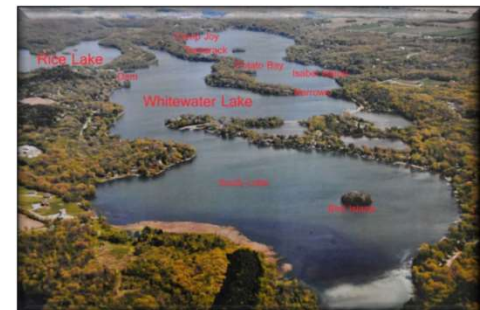
**Larry Brady / Jake Hintz / Amy Rodgers
with Distinguished Guest Sheriff Dave Gerber**





Chemical Treatment & Barley Initiative

- Map of areas treated
- Annual treatment process and timeline
- Barley Straw Project



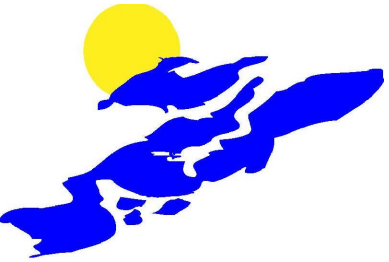


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Map of Areas Treated

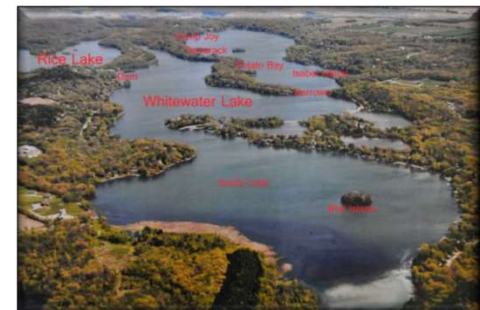
WHITEWATER LAKE, WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN
2023 PROPOSED MAP + STRATEGY + COSTS

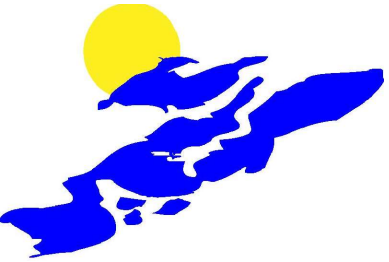




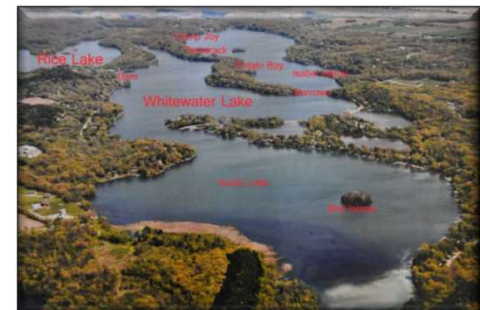
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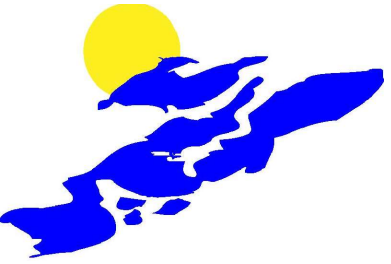
- The program is being implemented with the approval and oversight of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
- As the straw decomposes in its bag, it releases a natural chemical which inhibits algae growth.
- Not known to have toxic effects on rooted aquatic plants, zooplankton, insect larvae or fish.
- It is a cost-effective and environmentally acceptable way to control algae in ponds and lakes.
- Water samples sent to Madison for analysis





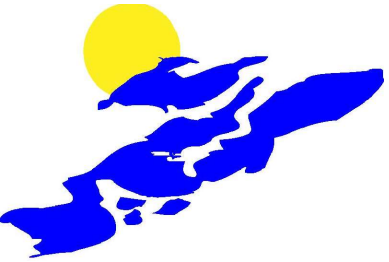
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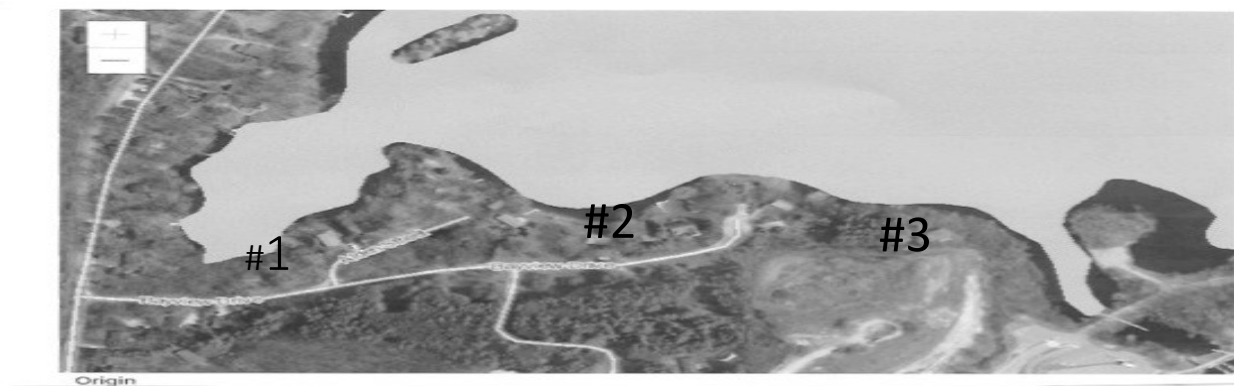


Barley Straw Bags

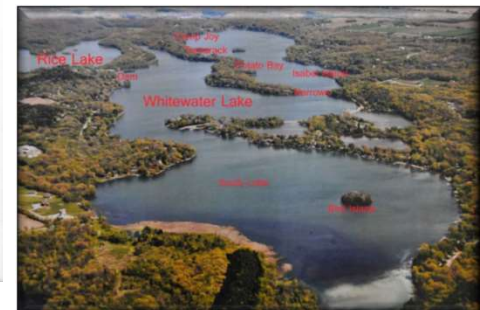


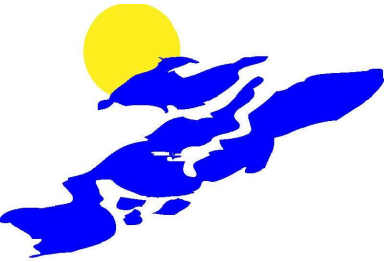


Barley Straw Pilot Placements



#1 and #2 Are Treated Areas
#3 is the Control Area

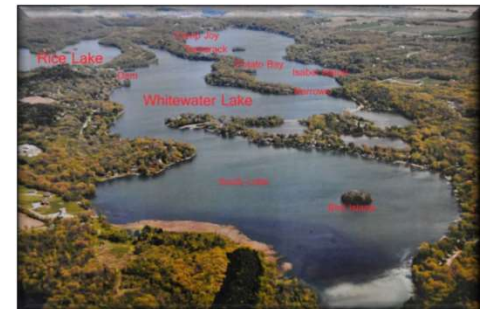


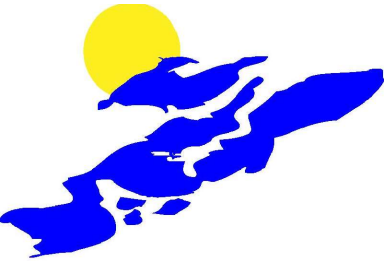


Bog Harvesting

- 1st bog appeared in late June, earliest ever
- Other bogs did not rise until August
- 2nd 10 year permit ends this year
- Brandon Riese applying for future permit and will do our dredging
- Due to new DNR staff and rules September may not be met

Rich Charts

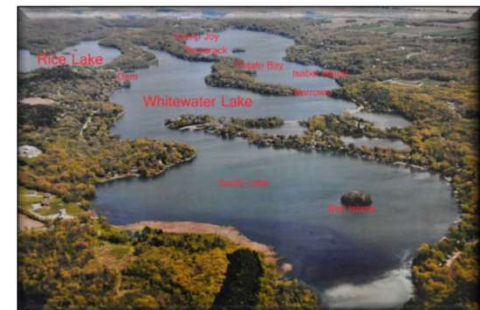


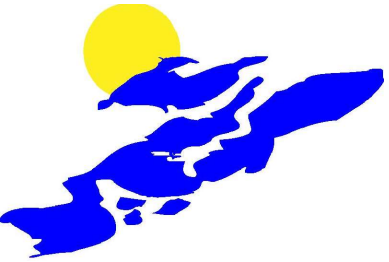


Weed Harvesting

- Hired 'in-house' team: 2 supervisors, 5 operators
 - Aquarius serviced and launched equipment, trained employees
 - Operate Mon. to Thurs., weed pickup Mon.
- DNR granted 5-year harvesting permit (through 2027)
- Light year for weeds, primarily curly leaf pondweed
- Priorities going forward:
 - Retaining crew for next summer
 - Buying land for pole barn (2+ acres)
 - Storing equipment indoors for winter
 - Mechanical harvesting vs. chemical treatment

Carol Ducommun

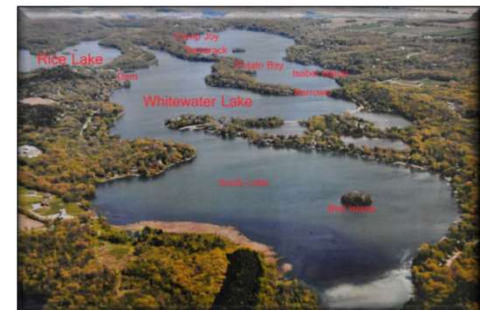


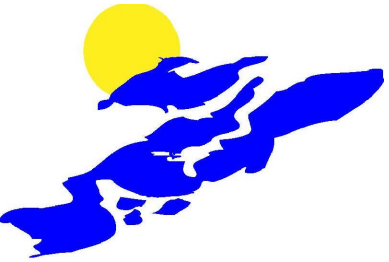


Land Acquisition

- Strategically important for Lake Management District
 - Preservation of equipment (\$2 Million+ replacement value)
 - Home base for operations: tool storage, maintenance, power washing
 - Year-to-year continuity
 - Not subject to rising rental rates
 - Board able to focus on other priorities
- Implementation Plan:
 - Buy 2+ acres with/for pole barn (60x100 minimum)
 - Relatively flat land, relatively close to lake
 - Pursuing leads, contacting landowners
 - Financing available from First Citizens

Carol Ducommun and Chuck Chamberlain



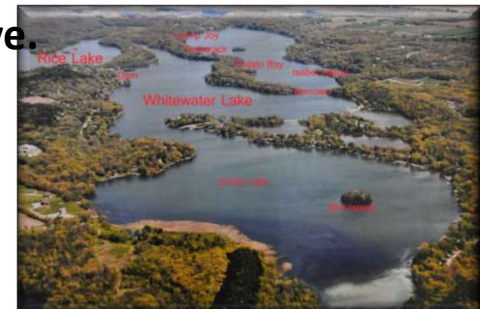


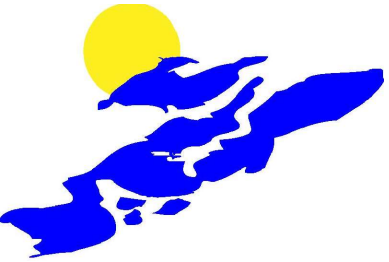
Land Acquisition

Land & Improvement Financing Assumptions:

- James Caldwell, CEO of First Citizen State Bank has given us verbal commit for financing at the best rate available for a municipality
- Current rates at 7.25% Interest
- 20 Year amortization with two ten-year terms – the limit for municipalities
- 20% down payment at each loan initiation, first for Land then Improvements
- For Budget purposes, assuming a land acquisition of \$220,000 in 2024 and improvements of \$200,000 in 2025, this would equate to the following:
 - 20% down payment of \$44,000 in 2024 and \$40,000 in 2025
 - Annual Principal & Interest cost of \$30,277 for Land & Improvements
- **All Land Acquisition costs will be funded through the Capital Reserve.**
- **Costs will not increase the Tax Assessment**

Carol Ducommun and Brad Corson

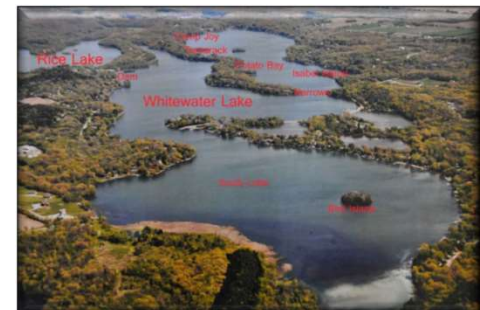


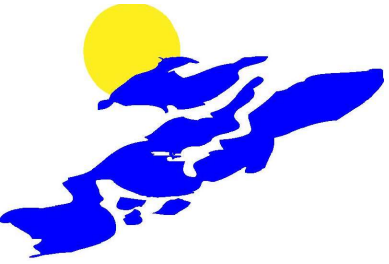


Equipment Update

- Received a \$134,950 (50%) award from the Wisconsin Waterways Commission
- Delivery of a new 7' Aquatic Plant Harvester and Trailer is not likely until the 2025 Harvesting Season
- Purchased a new Tool/Equipment Cargo Trailer to house small power equipment, hand tools and operating supplies
- Future equipment to be purchased from the 5-Year Capital Plan as outlined

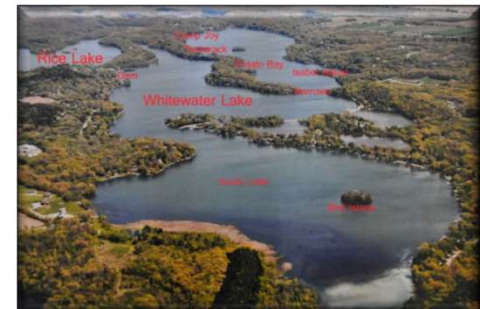
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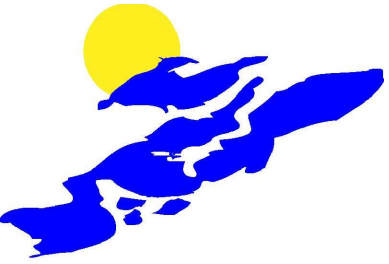




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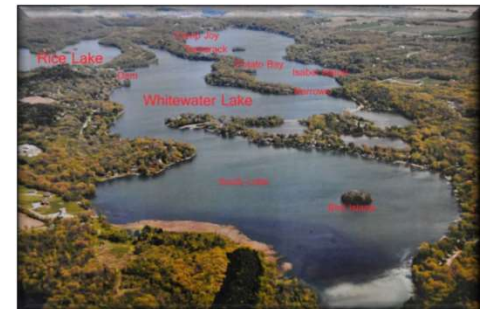
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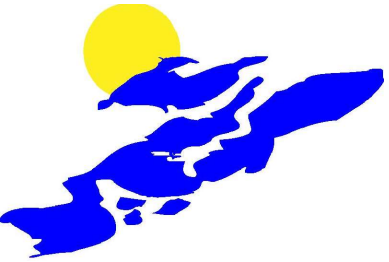




Projected Capital Plan

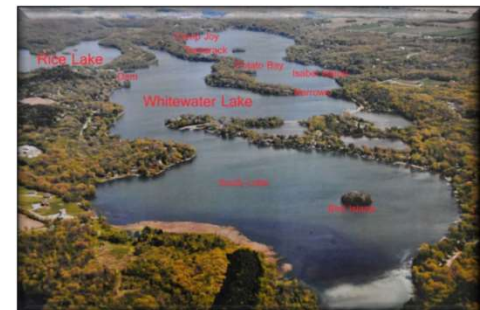
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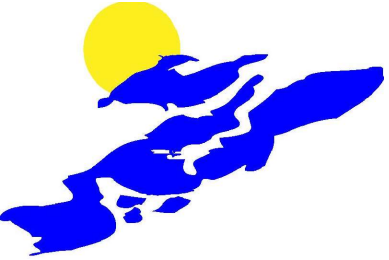




2024 Proposed Budget

Brad Corson



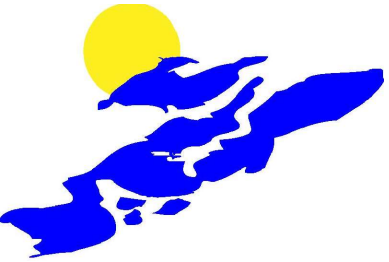


Financial Examination Report

- Financial review conducted by Don Olinger (auditor since 2020)
- Verification of receipt of taxes and validation of disbursements
- All tax assessments were received as budgeted/approved by the electors
- 98% of expenses were validated for proper approval, documentation and purpose
- District's revenues and expenses for 2022 are accurately reflected in the information provided electors for the 2023 Annual Meeting

Rich Charts for Don Olinger





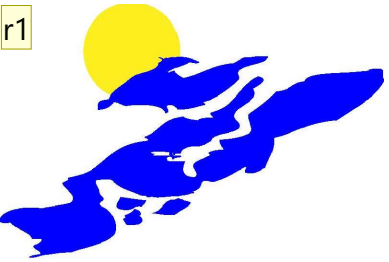
Wildlife Management

- Successful goose round up this year
- Volunteers helped the Dept. of Agriculture collect 62 geese
 - 20 from Whitewater Lake
 - 42 from Rice Lake
- Gratefully thank volunteers for the mitigation and removal of these disease carrying birds

Ernie Roy



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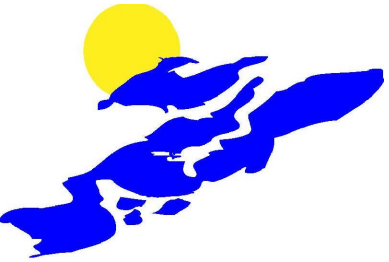
Fish Management

- Stocking
- Fish crib habitat
- Carp Management
- Fish quality

Tom Potrykus





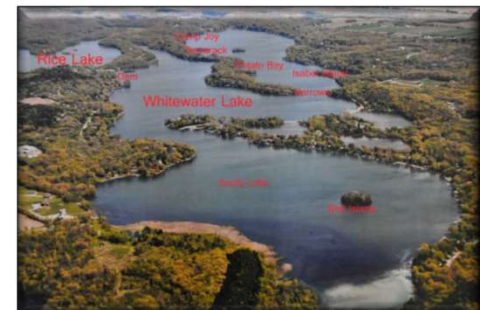


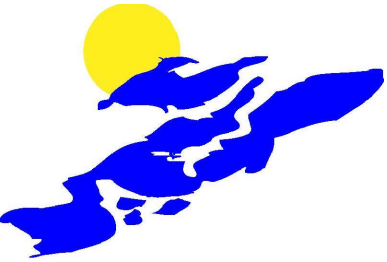
NAVIGATOR TEAMS

1. Boating Safety
2. Wakes & Shoreline Erosion
3. Pier & Boat Density
4. Good Neighbors: Fireworks, noise, lights, etc.
5. Government Support: Speeding & parking

Next steps: communication? enforcement? additional ordinances?

Amy Rodgers / Carol Ducommun





NAVIGATOR TEAMS

- Boating Safety
 - NEW signs at all launches
 - *Donated by Jon & Lori Tanis*
 - Take One boxes with safety flyers/lake rules
 - Posted rules on lake Facebook page
- ❖ The team is on pause until needed.

Amy Rodgers / Carol Ducommun

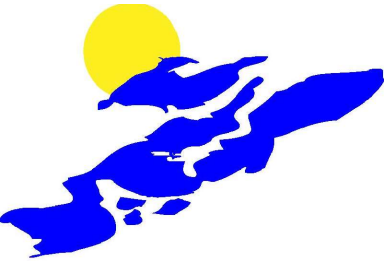




GWLPOA Meeting

Greater Whitewater Lake Property Owners
Association





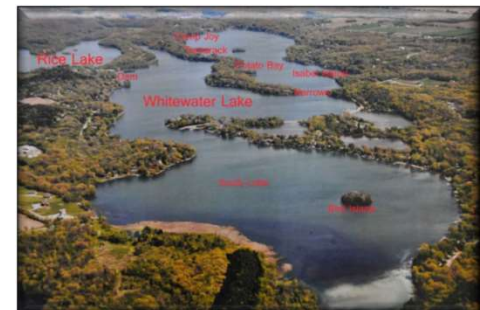
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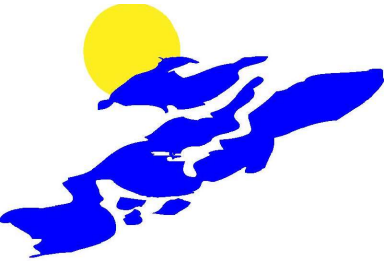


Annual Meeting Agenda 8/26/2023

- Call to Order
- Motion to approve minutes of August 27, 2022
- Motion to approve 2023 Balance Sheet as Distributed
- President's Report
- Business
 - Motion to approve 2023 By Laws revision
 - Motion to accept 2023-2024 GWLPOA Board members
- Questions and Open Discussion
- Motion to adjourn

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GWLPOA Treasurer's Report

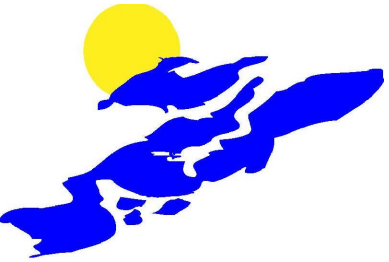
1/1/2023 – 7/31/2023



	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
Checking Account			
Beginning Balance	\$ 6,097.72		
Checks/cash received	\$ 3,855.87		
transferred in from SQUARE	\$ 15,000.00		
Expenses paid from checking account		\$ 9,107.35	
Checking Balance	\$ 24,953.59	\$ 9,107.35	\$ 15,846.24
SQUARE			
Receipts from activity	\$ 16,833.00		
fees deducted by Square		\$ 592.51	
transferred funds into GWLPOA checking		\$ 15,000.00	
Square Balance	\$ 16,833.00	\$ 15,592.51	\$ 1,796.24
GWLPOA Assets as of 7/31/2023			\$ 17,642.48
Donations made through 7/31/ 2023			
Lions Club Fisheree		\$ 324.45	
Southern Lakes Ski Team		\$ 250.00	
Boat House -FIREWORKS		\$ 1,000.00	
TOTAL DONATIONS MADE TO DATE		\$1,574.45	



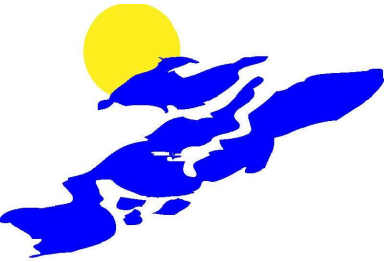
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Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District

2023 Annual Membership Meeting Continues





- **Input from Town Supervisors and Dignitaries**
- Follow up discussions
- Resident Input
- Adjournment
- Next annual meeting Saturday August 24, 2024

