

GREEN LAKE AND DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2026

Board Members Present: Emily Anderson, Laurie Bouwman, Ken Chamberlain, Brooke DeVault, Ed Dewey, Roger Edgren, Doug Griese, Marietta Hamady, Sarah Hehir, Joan Panter, and Lisa Taylor.

Board Members Absent: Rich Garvey

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of new business, donating to the IPL. The October 2025 minutes were also approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Emily Anderson reported that Duck Lake has 93 members as of March 31, 2026, and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank Balance: \$13,745.55
- Huntington Money Market: \$24,118.70 (\$7,590.18 is designated for Invasive Species funding.)

Duck Lake Total: \$37,864.25

Green Lake has 93 members as of March 31, 2026, and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank Balance: \$2,629.62
- Huntington Money Market: \$104,547.49 (\$27,849.48 is for Invasive Species funding.)

Green Lake Total: \$107,177.11

Old Business:

- Roger Edgren reported that Roy Volkening, the Deputy Supervisor of Green Lake Township, removed some boards from the Duck Lake Dam on March 3, 2026, due to excessively high water levels, and in accordance with the court-ordered levels. The board continues discussions with Cal Killen about adding any calibration device(s).
- Emily reported that she, along with Ed Dewey, Joan Panter, Marietta Hamady, and Rich Garvey, will attend the annual MLSA Conference held in May. Ed mentioned the SAD for Duck Lake is approaching renewal. PLM is currently the vendor for invasive species treatment on Duck Lake. MLSA attendees will research other lake and land management vendors at the conference.

New Business:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve a GLADLA donation of \$2,000.00 to the IPL, to be split between the two lakes. This donation is for use of the library for meetings in 2025 and 2026.
- Sarah Hehir reported that Microsoft discontinued the free products program for 501c3s as of July of 2025, and replaced it with a special rate of \$9.00 a month. A motion was made and seconded to approve spending \$9.00 a month for Sarah's use of these products.
- Green Lake's PLM contract for invasive species treatment (Buckthorn and Phragmites) and annual aquatic plant survey is up for renewal. The annual cost for 2026 is \$4,585.00, an increase of \$10.00 from 2025. Green Lake's Invasive Species fund pays for this. A motion to approve this expenditure was made and passed. Also, Rich and Ken will investigate the possibility of including treatment of the large amount of invasive phragmites on Mud Lake.
- Winter Project Updates, **Nominating Committee:** Marietta and Sarah reported that they created a set of criteria for people interested in serving on the GLADLA board. This, combined with a letter of intent form, will be formally presented at May's meeting for the board's approval. Upon approval, it will be added to the website.
- Winter Project Updates, **Membership Committee:** The email blasts will continue in 2026. Doug, Marietta and Ed will meet next week to create a schedule and content for the blasts. The "Love Our Lakes" campaign will be launched this summer. Lisa Taylor volunteered to help with sign and logo

graphics. Due to the growth and size of the tasks in this committee, a meeting is needed to reorganize and create subcommittees.

- Winter Project Updates, **Shoreline Committee:** The members of this committee, Rich, Laurie, Lisa and Doug, will promote best practices on the part of Green and Duck Lake riparian owners for maintaining and improving the health of our lakes. This effort covers lowland and uplands of property along the water. The committee members want to inform and assist our members with ideas on how to accomplish this. Information will be available on the website.
- Winter Project Updates, **Beaver Committee:** Brooke DeVault created a document called Beavers: Nature's Hydrologic Engineers. The purpose is to educate by explaining why beavers matter and the role they play in our aquatic ecosystems. This document will be added to our website.
- Ed Dewey reported that the bylaws printing project is in progress. The goal is to have the new printed bylaws available by the August annual meeting.
- Emily and Roger reported that they spoke with Jill Coverdill to review current financial procedures and look for any possible improvements.
- Roger reported that there is currently legislation pending in Michigan (Senate bill 812) regarding regulations for the use of wake boats. Roger volunteered to write a blurb educating riparians and boaters on the importance of properly using wake boats, (and all boats) while protecting the bottoms of our lakes.
- A motion was made, seconded, and passed to contribute a door prize no greater than \$250.00 for the MLSA Conference.
- The Michigan Botanical Society will be on Green Lake June 2 or 3 to survey aquatic plants. Three pontoon boats along with Green Lake volunteers and Jo Latimore from MSU Extension will participate.

Open Board Discussion

- Doug and Ed reported that they attended a meeting for stakeholders at the Interlochen State Park. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the park's future, meaningful programs, and ways to improve. A vote revealed that many desired to install a boat wash station at the park's launch on the Duck Lake side.

Adjournment

- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Minutes Submitted by Marietta Hamady, Secretary.

Minutes Approved by Roger Edgren, President

Next Meeting: May 13, 2026