

GREEN LAKE AND DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2026

Board Members Present: Emily Anderson, Ken Chamberlain, Ed Dewey, Roger Edgren, Rich Garvey, Doug Griese, Marietta Hamady, and Lisa Taylor

Board Members Absent: Laurie Bouwman, Brooke DeVault, and Sarah Hehir.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. A motion was made and passed to approve the Unique Agenda (customized order of business), and the July 2026 minutes.

New Business: DLIA

- Ed reported that after meeting with Paul Johnson from Duck Lake, he learned that a 501c3 Duck Lake Improvement Association (DLIA) was formed in October, 2025. This organization will mimic what the GLADLA already does. Although there have been no known complaints about the GLADLA, the difference appears to be an intense focus on changing the Duck Lake Dam levels.

New Business: Annual Meeting

- The DLIA will be mentioned at the August 22 Annual Meeting, as well as an outline of the history of the GLADLA and what the organization accomplishes for both lakes.
- As was done last year, Emily, Marietta, Lisa, and Ken will place signs around the lakes reminding/announcing the Annual Meeting.
- Ed and others will meet early at the Library to set up. Rich will bring coffee and donuts. The speaker, Scott Hedberg from the Michigan Loon Preservation Association (MLPA), will start the meeting. The business portion will follow. Roger and Marietta will complete the agenda and the PowerPoint presentation with input from the other board members.

Old Business:

- Doug reported that July 18 was the first-ever statewide loon count. The data:
 1. 313 lakes participated
 2. 278 volunteers
 3. In total, 542 adult loons and 149 chicks were counted.
 4. Duck Lake has 3 adults; Green Lake has 4 adults and 1 chick.

Doug will attend the MLPA annual meeting on August 16, 2026.

Treasurer's Report:

Emily reported that Duck Lake has 80 members as of July 31, 2026, and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank Balance: \$1,886.43
- Huntington Money Market: \$34,341.70 (\$7,590.18 is designated for Invasive Species funding.)

Duck Lake Total: \$36,228.13

Green Lake has 95 members as of July 31, 2026, and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank Balance: \$1,023.02
- Huntington Money Market: \$105,308.64 (\$27,986.93 is designated for Invasive Species funding.)

Green Lake Total: \$106,331.66

Emily showed a thank-you letter from the Benzie Conservation District for the GLADLA donation of \$350.00. The financial institution research showed that Edward Jones offers a 4% CD. Huntington offers a 3% interest rate for a five-month CD, and 2.5% for a nine-month CD. The board decided our financial investments shall remain at the status quo. The annual membership terms discussion is tabled for now.

Old Business:

- Rich reported that the aquatic plant pulls, sampled from over 70 spots on Green Lake, were completed in July. No Eurasian Water Milfoil was found. PLM will conduct their plant pull survey in September.
- Ken and Rich will conduct E. Coli testing in August.
- PLM completed two EWM treatments on Duck Lake this year; 12 acres in June, and 4.5 acres in August. The first treatment was several larger outcroppings, and the second was numerous, smaller outcroppings.
- PLM uses the most effective chemicals for treating EWM, which increased the cost somewhat.
- Cal Killen calibrated the lake level equipment at the Duck Lake Dam on July 30, 2026.
- Lisa attended a Benzie Conservation District shoreline seminar on August 8 and has new materials for the annual meeting.
- Ed reported that the August 9 boat wash on Green Lake had a late start. The volunteers interacted with four different boats and washed two.
- Marietta reported that the monthly email blasts and social media posts have been well received. The August email blast topic is Shoreline Management, suggesting native plants suitable for protecting shorelines and erosion.

New Business:

- A slide at the Annual Meeting will outline a “Beach Captain” program, focusing on gaining new members. We will ask for volunteers.

Adjournment:

- A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM.

Minutes Submitted by Marietta Hamady, Secretary

Minutes Approved by Roger Edgren, President

Next Meeting: September 9, 2026