

GREEN LAKE AND DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2024

Board Members Present: Emily Anderson, Ken Chamberlain, Brooke DeVault, Ed Dewey, Roger Edgren, Rich Garvey, Doug Griese, Marietta Hamady, Paul Johnson, and Claire Stephenson.

Board Members Absent: Sarah Hehir, Kurt Hubschneider, and Brian McAllister.

A motion was made and passed to approve today's agenda and the July 2024 board meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Emily Anderson reported that Duck Lake has 116 members and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank balance: \$8,181.53
 - Huntington Money Market: \$23,583.57
- Duck Lake Total: \$31,765.10**

Green Lake has 111 members and the following funds:

- Huntington Bank balance: \$2,660.27
 - Huntington Money Market: \$48,982.02
 - Huntington CD: \$52,375.43 (matures in October)
- Green Lake Total: \$104,017.72**
Grand Total Assets: \$135,782.82

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report.

Report Outs:

- Paul reported that the lake-level equipment is functioning. A few board members will meet with Andy Smits this fall to discuss lake-level management at the County level. Roger mentioned that by November 2024 the board will have accumulated two years of lake-level data.
- Ed reported that he met with Sarah and Bill Collin to mail the Summer Newsletter via email. Although progress has been made, more time should be allocated to continue enhancing the website.
- Marietta reported that although the underwater camera (loaned by Paul) has some benefit for identifying aquatic plants, it doesn't completely replace the rake. Paul suggested that some board members should ride with PLM in the spring when they treat EWM on Duck Lake. Duck Lake's original 30 acres of EWM infestation has been reduced to 3.5 acres as of the last treatment.
- Doug, Ed, Paul, Roger, Marietta, and Rich volunteered at the Green Lake DNR Boat Launch boat wash event on August 11. Six boats, including the Sheriff's, were washed, and we distributed educational literature to boaters at the launch. Paul suggested handing out literature after bass tournaments.
- Marietta read aloud Laurie Bouwman's Letter of Intent to serve on the GLADLA board. A motion was made and seconded to appoint Laurie as our newest board member. A verbal vote unanimously supported the appointment. Laurie will be approved by the general membership at the Annual Meeting.
- GLADLA Logo merchandise is available through the website. Board members have been pleased with the items they've purchased.

Old Business:

- Rich reported that the three Green Lake Aquatic Plant Pull teams found no EWM or any other invasive aquatic plants. PLM will also conduct an aquatic audit in September. Paul commented that almost always, the invasive Milfoil shows itself on the water's surface. E. coli testing is scheduled for both lakes next week. Secchi disk readings were 14.5 feet on Green Lake and 14.3 feet on Duck Lake.
- Emily and Marietta reported that they'll make one more attempt to make a Farmers Market appearance this summer. If that doesn't work, they'll target June of 2025.

- Board changes include Paul retiring as President, and Roger accepting his new role as President. The Vice President role will remain vacant for the time being. Paul will individually contact Kurt and Brian to determine their board status. Kurt was sent an email reminder to pay membership dues.
- The governor signed Bill 662, which will become law in Spring 2025.
- The new GLADLA plastic corrugated signs are available for use.
- Ed and Roger will place the Township's sign promoting the 50th Annual GLADLA Meeting in front of the Bouwman Realty office. Emily has volunteered to get coffee and donuts. Emily, Claire, and Marietta will collect and record membership dues. Marietta will pick up the keys to the Golden Fellowship Hall from the Township next week. A "Thank You to our Volunteers" slide will be in Paul's presentation.

New Business:

- Marietta asked the board if they wanted to be part of the Michigan Clean Water Corps/CLMP. In 2019, the costs were too high, but Marietta will research again. Brooke is interested in the collected plant pull/water testing data over the years.
- Brooke presented the Fresh Water Summit conference scheduled for October 30, 2024, at the Hagerty Center. The cost per participant is \$35. A motion was made and seconded to pay for any board member interested in attending. Emily will gather the list of attendees.
- The bylaws state that a 20 percent quorum is required for voting at the annual meeting. It's uncertain if there will be that many attendees. The board decided to handle the voting as we have in the past, but realizes it's become necessary to update our bylaws. The board believes this is a worthwhile winter project and at September's board meeting a committee will be formed to undertake this task.

Open Board Discussion:

- Emily reported that Marv Radtke is our newest Associate Member.
- A motion was made and passed to have Jennifer, who assists us with the GLADLA accounting, to produce an annual report instead of an annual audit by a CPA. Jennifer reviews the GLADLA books monthly.
- Ken will assume Paul's water testing responsibilities on Duck Lake.
- Paul expressed concerns about PLM adequately treating Yellow Flag, Buckthorn, and Phragmites on our lakeshores. Also, drone technology would assist PLM in determining if all the EWM on Duck Lake is being treated, which they currently are not using. Paul also mentioned that it'd be prudent to test fish on Duck Lake to see if they've absorbed any of the chemicals used in treating EWM. Brooke DeVault volunteered to see how that could be done.
- Another GLADLA Board task is to determine if our dues year should start in January or August.

Adjournment:

- A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM.

Minutes Submitted by Marietta Hamady, Secretary.

Minutes Approved by Paul Johnson, President.