

ELK-SKEGEMOG LAKES ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
APRIL 17, 2025

Call to order: 9:00 AM by President George Seifried

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

George Seifried	Nancy Schreiber	Beth Wiesenauer	John Spevacek
Deanna Seifried	Phil Spangenberg	Steve Francis	Mary Beth Kazanski
Jan Garvey	Bob Reider	Robert Campbell	Ruth Bay
	Andrew Hogarth	Dean Ginther	Bob McCririe

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Linda Slopsema	Ken Krentz		

Support staff members: Samantha Ogle and Michael Ogle both present

Visitors / Public Comment: NONE

George announced we have three potential new board members: Dennis Reese, John Reid, and Lisa Layer

Agenda Review/Changes: NONE

March 2025 Board Meeting Minutes were approved.

Phil Spangenberg provided the financial report for the period ending 2/28/2025. Finance report approved by voice vote.

It was discussed and approved that we would move our cash to the Vanguard Money Market Fund, leaving \$10,000 in our Fifth Third Account for easy access.

We will establish a committee to review our insurance.

The Board approved a reimbursement of \$429 to George for a travel expense.

Committee Reports

Government Relationships:

Whitewater Township is reviewing its zoning ordinances.

Milton Township is considering a fencing ordinance.

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Membership: Deanna Seifried and Michael Ogle

We discussed doing more to advertise our Shore Things.

We will reach out to lapsed members to encourage them to rejoin.

Business Supporters:

We will sell tickets and attend the Horse Show Sunday July 6.

We will need to have a presence at all days Wed through Sun that week

Shore Things:

April: Boating Safety will be the subject at the Dam Shop. Speakers are Charlie Jeffrey, Sheriff Kevin Hoch and his maritime crew, and Jim Adair from TC Coast Guard Auxiliary

May: Jeanine Rubert from Pine Hill Nursery will speak on native species. Beth will lead this event with assist from Deanna

June: 75th anniversary

July: Invasive species specialist Jo Lattimore will speak. Sam will lead this event

August: Liz Kirkwood from FLOW will speak. Andy will lead this event.

September: Wade Foster from CAKE CISMA will speak. We need a leader for this event.

75th Celebration:

Bob M is in charge of our Elk Rapids River Street tent and he purchased the tent

We will have written materials to hand out and possible tv with film footage of Sam's GoPro filming.

Torch River Islands:

Continue working with TLPA, TCC, the sheriffs and the riparians to protect the islands.

Signs are being purchased and detailed notebooks with surveys, riparian law references and letter from the landowners were sent to the sheriffs and county prosecutors.

Environmental:

John and Michael and Sam will work with CAKE SISMA on Lake Skegemog Invasive plant species.

Rugg Pond needs to be inspected for possible invasive species.

Lake Learning Tour dates have been set.

ERCOL:

There is a new Kalkaska Conservation District director and Mary Beth will contact.

Fisheries:

Brown trout fin clipping is set

Communications:

We will have extra copies of newsletters at our Shore Things

Bob C will see if we can get an interview on a TC radio station

We need much better action photos for our facebook page

TC Horse show:

July 6 is the main event, some need to boost attendance. We will have people at all Wednesday through Sunday events.

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Meeting adjourned 10:41 AM

Next Board Meeting: May 15, 2025 in Elk Rapids

Submitted by Acting Recording Secretary, John Spevacek