

Windemere Township Lakes Association General Meeting Minutes

Saturday August 8, 2026 Holy Angels Catholic Church

- I. The meeting was called to order by Chair Dan Benzie at 9:01 AM
- II. The Chair asked for additions to the agenda. There were none. It was moved and seconded by Noah Cashman and Ernie Muller to approve the agenda. APPROVED
- III. The Secretary recognized the board members: Present: Chip Wells, Jerry Blazevic, Dan Benzie, Loren Radtke, Joann Murphy, Bill Lyon, Noah Cashman, John Tasky, Bill Yechout. Laurie Patrick & Kathy Burkard.
- IV. The minutes of the July 11, 2026 general meeting were sent out earlier and distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Noah and seconded by Michy Wells to approve the minutes. APPROVED
- V. Treasurer Joann Murphy presented the financial report that was sent out earlier and handed out at the meeting. She reported a balance of \$126572 (general fund \$53129, AIS fund 51791, water quality \$20176, education/memorial fund \$1475). \$20000 of the total is invested in a 90 day CD with the balance in the checking account. A motion was made by Sandy Sandoval and seconded by Noah to approve the treasurer's report. APPROVED
- VI. Membership Chair Laurie reported we have 343 members with 50 being new members.
- VII. Committee Reports:
 - a. Lakes: Sand-Jerry stated that the lake level is seven inches down from last month and three feet four inches below the ordinary high water (OHW) mark. Water clarity is ten feet. Sturgeon- Bill Y. reported that the lake level is nineteen and half inches below the OHW mark. The secchi reading is twenty three and half feet. Island-Dan stated that the water level is five and half inches below the OHW mark and no water is flowing out of the lake. The secchi reading is at five feet. The outlet has been inspected and is clear of debris. Smaller Lakes-Bill Lyon reported that Lords Lake had very low water level.
 - b. Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)-Loren Reported that Spiney Water Fleas would be surveyed for later this month. Some beetles have been released on Island Lake as biocontrol for Purple Loosestrife. Permits for treatment of Eurasian Water Milfoil have been issued: Island 1.7 acres, Sturgeon .8 acres and Sand 3.5 acres. Treatment should take place the week of August 17th.
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Dan asked for additional nominations for board members to serve a two year term. There were no additional nominations. Existing board members were nominated at the last meeting. It was moved and seconded by John Tasky & Noah that Chip Wells (Island), Loren Radtke (Sturgeon), Joann Murphy and Jerry Blazevic (Sand) Bill Lyon & Laurie Patrick (small lakes) be elected by acclamation for a two year term on the board of directors APPROVED
- IX. New Business
 - a. Josh Mutchler from the Carlton County Soil and Water Conservation District provided an overview of the Kettle River/Upper St. Croix Watershed Plan 2024-2034. He emphasized shoreland buffers for landowners to improve water quality. Both Carlton and Pine Counties can provide technical and financial assistance.

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X. Adjournment

It was moved by Bill Patrick and seconded by Bill Lyon to adjourn. APPROVED

Chip Wells, Secretary

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