



# - Annual Meeting Minutes -

## Elkhart Lake Improvement Association

**June 9, 2016**

**Registration and Social Hour - 5:30 pm**

**Appetizers - 6:00 pm**

**President's Welcome - John Schott – 6:30 pm**

1. Welcoming comments - Sending best wishes to Bill Thieman as this is the first annual meeting he has not attended.
2. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws have been updated now that we are a 501(c)(3). They will be posted on our website.
3. Mike Engleson - Executive Director, Wisconsin Lakes Association. Mike gave us an overview of the activities of the organization and spoke about funding challenges for natural resources/conservation programs around the state.

### **Membership Meeting -**

1. Approval of minutes from 2016 annual meeting - Motion made and passed to approve minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting.
2. Introduction of the Board Members -
  - Retiring members - Mary Jo Knauf, Chris Chesebro, Chris Krieg, Mark Hollick
  - New members - Dee Sheehan (class of 2019)
  - Life Time Members - Tom Nelson, Henry Jung
3. Election of Board Members for terms as listed - Motion made and passed to approve nominations.
  - 2020 - John Schott
  - 2020 - Nancy Hanlon
  - 2020 - Susan Staum
  - 2020 - Peter Gunther
  - 2020 -
  - 2018 –

### **Reports -**

1. Treasurers Report – Randy Boeldt had prepared Budget Reports and Balance Sheets for those in attendance. The Budget Report shows projected income of \$105 after expenses; the Balance Sheet Report shows net assets of \$46,107.93. Randy also reported that as of that morning, we had 59.48% of the membership who had paid their dues, or 116 of 195 members. Of the 116 members who had paid, 97 of them had received their dues notice via email, which saved the organization \$47.53. There was also a short discussion explaining some of the various accounts in the budget report.
2. Weed and Clean Boat Program Report - Nancy Hanlon - We will be looking at targeted areas again for treatment of Eurasian Milfoil and Curley Pond leaf weeds. Clean Boat Clean Water program is fully staffed. We have expanded the grant request and are now funded for additional hours this summer. We will be testing a new Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting approach next

year. This process not only pulls weeds out from the roots, but also removes the organic material that otherwise would buildup on the lake bottom from conventional weed spraying.

3. Water Quality Report - Kim Elias - The lake is in good shape! Sechi disc reading this year are less than last year due to being taken later in the month. The lake during this time has turned and this causes a more cloudy condition. Foam seen on the shores is a natural occurrence from wave action and organic materials in the water being broken down.
4. Community Outreach – Website, Keep Elkhart Blue Sales, Social Media- Chris Strigenz / Kim Elias - Website is being upgraded with the direction of Kyle Jones who has volunteered to be our go-to person for web and social media. Posting to our Facebook page is encouraged! We will add more Keep Elkhart Blue items to our product offering - KEB hats and magnetic stickers for cars, refrigerators, where ever.
5. E.L.I.A. Projects
  - Neuses Bay - The county has finalized the plan and gotten by-in from landowners and we are close to putting a shovel in the ground. ELIA is committed to raising \$10,000 this year to cover our required local matching funds as part of the grant process. We will then need to raise money year-on-year to maintain the system (~\$1000/yr) and in 10 years replace the current filter media (\$2500/yr for 10 years).
  - Board approved E.L.I.A. to support the development of a recreational path around Elkhart Lake that ultimately could tie-in to the other trail systems in the county. (County, Ice Age, Kettle Moraine). Volunteers stepped forward to join this ad hoc committee - Jim Hanlon, Tom Karras, Peter Gunther, Conrad Barrows, Mark Strigenz.
6. Other Business -
  - E.L.I.A Booth at Down Town Night - August 14.

**Adjourn - meeting adjourned at 7:30**

**BOARD MEETING - meeting called to order at 7:45 PM.**

With a quorum present, the board approved the election of officers by unanimous vote.

Election of officers -

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| • President      | John Schott     |
| • Vice President | Chris Strigenz  |
| • Secretary      | John Fetherston |
| • Treasurer      | Randy Boeldt    |

**Adjourn - meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm**