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Minutes from the Lake Committee held on March 4, 2026

The Town of Delavan Lake Committee held its monthly Meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Town of Delavan.

1) Call to order – 6 pm

2) Roll Call – Nixdorf & Handel excused

3) Declaration of quorum for doing business

4) Approval of Agenda – motion to approve by O'Connor, 2nd by Wolfgram, motion carried

5) Approval of minutes of the Lake Committee meeting of February 4, 2026 – TABLED UNTIL

NEXT MONTH

6) Comments and suggestions of citizens present regarding Items on the Agenda - None

7) Communications – Chair Knipper presented two upcoming events she will attend: District 6 Towns Association Meeting in Whitewater and the Fox River Summit on March 12th, 2026.

8) Delavan Lake Sanitary District Updates – District closed on the purchase of 20 acres adjacent to the offices. Property will be used for disposal of lake weeds and for educational purposes. Possibly a field day with Farmer Adam Lasch. Chemical permits have been submitted. The mixer at the dam should be looked at before the season. Harvester grants are in process with nothing expected until next season.

9) Delavan Lake Improvement Association Updates - None

10) City of Delavan – updates report – Grading for golf course Lake Lawn homes is expected to begin in Fall 2026,

11) Old Business:

(a) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Delavan Lake Management, Planning and Projects

(b) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: SEWRPC Lake Management Plan updates – draft in process with 3 to 4 chapters almost ready for review.

(c) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Lake Committee Sub-Committees Updates, Planning

Priorities – subcommittee updates will be made part of the upcoming newsletter which will demonstrate the importance of partnerships that are involved in working together on lake issues.

(d) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Algae buoy proposal update – A proposal is in process of defining the responsibilities of each party in writing.

(e) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: buoy process/approval, ordinance revisions – Chief Adams is preparing a modification to the buoy ordinance to be sent to riparian rights owners this spring. Clarification will be made on distance from shore, size, labels/stickers, permits, etc.

12) New Business:

(a) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Town/City Lake IGA update – Nick Griffin discussed the IGA update from the perspective of City of Delavan officials. The City has decided to allocate funds to the Lake through their Tourism department. Griffin said that it is currently under review to determine which costs/projects the city will consider funding. The intention is to fund items or projects that directly impact the lake for the visitors/tourists. City Tourism department will provide feedback on the IGA. Griffin mentioned they'd be interested in reviewing a 10-year Capital Plan for the lake that can be discussed as part of the IGA.

Knipper mentioned including the Police Boat in the IGA needs more discussion. All agreed the City of Delavan and the Township can be represented by the same attorney.

(b) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Statewide Wake Boat Rules update – Knipper provided a legislative update

13) Review/Approval of Bills/Lake Funds update/2025 Budget review – Finance committee is reviewing the 2025 actual expenses vs the budgeted.

14) Future Agenda Items – IGA with Lake Lawn

15) Comments and Suggestions of Citizens Present – Sean Ryan, 4421 East Drive – South Shore Manor HOA President. Spoke for 20 Browns Channel residents who are interested in cleaning up the sediment in that area of the water. Chair Knipper mentioned the Bathometric Study that was done in 2023 which may help the homeowners see the measurements of sediment and the more troubled spots. That could help propel the discussion for next steps.

16) Date of Next Meeting: April 1, 6:00 PM-Town Hall

17) Adjournment motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm made by Knipper, 2nd by O'Connor

Minutes prepared by Mary Pat O'Connor on March 15, 2026

Committee Members

Mary Knipper – Chair (voting)	Jason Shallcross Citizen Member (voting)
Mary O'Connor – Co-Chair (voting)	Vacant – Citizen Member (voting)
Ben Nixdorf, DLSD member (voting)	Nick Griffin - City of Delavan Rep (voting)
Jim Wolfram – Citizen Member (voting)	DLIA –Charlie Handel (voting)
Jim DeLuca – DLSD Admin. (non-voting)	

A quorum of the Town Board and the Delavan Lake Sanitary District May be Present

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