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Office Hours: M – F, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Minutes from the Lake Committee Meeting

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

- 1) Call to order** – 6:04 pm
- 2) Roll Call** – Nixdorf excused, Wolfgram excused
- 3) Declaration of quorum for doing business**
- 4) Approval of Agenda** – motion to approve made by O'Connor, seconded by Handel, motion carried
- 5) Approval of minutes of the Lake Committee meeting of April 1 2026** – motion to approve made by Knipper, seconded by O'Connor, motion carried
- 6) Comments and suggestions of citizens present regarding Items on the Agenda** - None
- 7) Communications** – Delavan Lake Quality Survey meeting changed to June 13, 2026 from 9 to 11 am. SE Wisconsin Lakes Conference put on by Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers, will be held in East Troy on May 30, 2026.
- 8) Delavan Lake Sanitary District Updates** – One lift station was hit by lightning and has been repaired. Harvesters will begin work next week.
- 9) Delavan Lake Improvement Association Updates** - DLIA annual may be moved due to the SE Lakes conference scheduled for the same day, May 30, 2026 . AIS seminar will be held on June 16 at 1 pm at Waters Edge.
- 10) City of Delavan – updates report** – Nick Griffin reported that at the City Plan committee recent meeting discussion was held regarding data centers. City has not been approached, but they want to be ready to discuss and handle if they are approached by a developer.
- 11) Old Business:**
 - (a) Discussion/Possible Recommendations:** Delavan Lake Management, Planning and Projects – Phosphorus trading discussion – Water Quality Trading Credits-
 - (b) Discussion/Possible Recommendations:** SEWRPC Lake Management Plan updates – outline of Lake Management Plan will be online. Knipper will let committee members know when chapters are ready to review.
 - (c) Discussion/Possible Recommendations:** Lake Committee Sub-Committees Updates – New committee members of Lake Committee will be discussed at the Town Board meeting.
 - (d) Discussion/Possible Recommendations:** Citizen Survey meeting planning May 9 2026 – meeting changed to June 13, 2026
 - (e) Discussion/Possible Recommendations:** buoy process/approval, ordinance revisions – Ordinance reviewed and adopted by Town Board on April 21, 2026. Piers need to be numbered.
 - (f) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Town/City Lake IGA update** – No Update

12) New Business:

(a) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Wake Boating forum planning WCLA – Walworth County Lakes Association will be partnering with Lakes at State and Last Wilderness Alliance coalition. The coalition already has lawyers and lobbyists in place to assist. Discussion about Delavan Lake also joining the coalition.

(b) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: Drones were filming during and after recent storm in April 2026. Videos and photos presented to the committee and citizens present. The extent of the flooding was evident in the videos.

(c) Discussion/Possible Recommendations: April flooding/actions/response -

13) Review/Approval of Bills/Lake Funds update –Berrini Invoice; Bushey invoice – Motion to pay all invoices made by O'Connor, seconded by Shallcross, motion carried. Lake Funds Balance is \$476,736.84

14) Future Agenda Items – Numbering system for buoys and piers. And Approaching Lake Lawn HOA regarding adding lake to their budget. DLIA can send them letters to increase membership and awareness.

15) Comments and Suggestions of Citizens Present – Doug Ide spoke of the effectiveness of draining a lake to stop invasive species such as Starry Stonewort.

16) Date of Next Meeting: June 3, 6:00 PM-Town Hall

17) Adjournment – motion to adjourn made by O'Connor, seconded by Handel at 7:30 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Mary Pat O'Connor on May 21, 2026

Committee Members

Mary Knipper – Chair (voting)

Jason Shallcross Citizen Member (voting)

Mary O'Connor – Co-Chair (voting)
approval

Sean Ryan – Citizen Member (voting) pending

Ben Nixdorf, DLSD member (voting)

Nick Griffin - City of Delavan Rep (voting)

Jim Wolfgram – Citizen Member (voting)

DLIA –Charlie Handel (voting)

Jim DeLuca – DLSD Admin. (non-voting)

May 1, 2026

