

Town of Onalaska
Shoreline Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 27, 2026

1. **Call to Order** by Chair Luke Marcou at 7:10pm. A quorum of committee members were present: Chair Marcou, Frank Fogel, Steve Wage, Fritz Funk and Marc Schultz (remote). Others present in person were Steve Miller and Al Carini.
2. Motion to **approve the agenda** by Frank Fogel, seconded by Steve Wage passed 3-2.
3. **Public Comment (3-minute time limit):**
Steve Miller, presenting in person, topics: signage about public use, no visible marking of boundary between public and private land if encourage public use. No public comments from remote audience.
4. **Approve minutes of November 25, 2025 meeting:** Fogel/Funk moved to approve the prior meeting minutes, passed unanimously.
5. **Update from the Town Board to develop a written procedure relating to application, review, and approval/denial of shoreline structure permit applications.** No action taken.
6. **Discussion and possible action making recommendation to Town Board regarding development of policy relating to procedure for correction of leased land non-compliance including but not limited to enforcement.** Fogel/Schultz moved to defer action until we get information from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers about how they are addressing noncompliance passed unanimously.
7. **Discussion and possible action making recommendation to Town Board regarding Board directive to committee to update ordinance and remove fire number signage requirement on permitted structures within the USACOE leased land.** Fogel/Wage moved to make a recommendation to the Town Board to send section 34-20 back to the Town Ordinance Committee to remove 34-20 (c) from the ordinance passed unanimously.
8. **Discussion and possible action making recommendation to Town Board regarding request to place alternative signage stating “Structures Private, Shoreline Public”.** Motion by Fogel/Wage to recommend to the Board to place signage, providing we can put them on existing USACE boundary posts. Motion withdrawn following discussion. Subsequent motion by Fogel/Wage to defer action on this agenda item until we can confer with USACE about whether we can we put signage on existing USACE boundary posts, what type of signage we can put there, and any other recommendations from USACE. Motion passed unanimously.
9. **Discussion regarding Board decision relating to awarding of RFP.** No action taken.
10. **Update from Lake Onalaska Protection and Rehabilitation District:** Lake District chair Marc Schultz provided an update about a March 17 dredge project fundraiser at Red Pines, sponsored by the Lake Onalaska Rehabilitation Coalition. The Lake District is seeking more community involvement and input from non-shoreline members of the public, and also is considering expanding the Lake District beyond just the shoreline area. The Lake District is also looking for another commissioner to

appoint to fill a vacant position. The Lake District is still planning on weed cutting and looking for more projects to improve the lake condition.

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Fogel/Wage passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

Submitted by Fritz Funk, secretary