

West Fork Waterway Association Inc.

Annual Membership Meeting Minutes, 6/15/2024

Meeting called to order at 9:59 AM by President Chris Frasch

Attendance: Chris Frasch (President), Roger Anderson (Vice President/Treasurer), Jack Cook (Director), Mike Freeman (Secretary), Rob Slotten (member), Ruth Miller (member) and Jan Sharpe (member). Lynne Rice (Director) has an excused absence. There was a quorum present to make the meeting official.

Verification of Notice

Meeting notice sent 5/24/2024. Chris posted it on the website, Lynne put it in the paper, USPS to members and E-mail to officers. The notice was also posted at the Post Office and Clam Lake Junction.

Agenda Review

Agenda was reviewed and no corrections or additions were submitted.

Secretary's Report

Printed copies of last year's Membership were available to everyone so Roger suggested the reading of the minutes could be skipped and members could review them at their leisure. Jack verified that the dates were correct. Roger then made a motion to accept the minutes, Chris 2nd. MC (Motion Carried)

Treasurer's Report

Roger read the Treasurer's Report. Beginning Balance, Money Received, Expenses and Closing Balance were reported. The Closing Balance = \$8682.66 which included \$125.00 in deposits that had not yet shown up on the Bank Statement. The Treasurer's Report matched the Bank Statement. Jack moved to accept the report, Chris 2nd. MC (Motion carried)

Budget

Roger reported the Budget for 07/2024 - 06/2025. Roger had paper copies for all present. The budget was based on 16 members. Currently there are 15 paid members, with another member expected to pay shortly. There was a short discussion about whether or not we should retain our PO Box. There was no action taken at this time. Chris moved to accept the 2024-2025 budget, Mike 2nd. MC (Motion Carried)

501(c)3 Status and Donations Report (Thrivent)

Roger reported that \$130.00 has come in so far. Rob donated an additional \$50.00 in addition to his Thrivent donation.

Membership Status

Members paid so far this year = 15. There was a brief discussion about possible new members.

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ELECTIONS:

Offices up for elections are:

President – Chris Frasch (Incumbent)

Vice President/Treasurer – Roger Anderson (Incumbent)

First Director - Jack Cook (Incumbent)

Jack moved that nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for all of the incumbents, Chris 2nd. MC (Motion Carried)

Member Participation

Jan asked about participation at Elk Fest. There was a brief discussion and it was decided that it would be a good idea to have a table. Roger volunteered to lead the effort and requested volunteers to help man the booth. The booth would be manned from 10am – 2pm. Chris suggested that maybe we should talk to the Clam Lake Community Club about making a plea for members at one of their meetings. Chris will check with Lynne to see if she thinks it would be acceptable to the Community Club.

Canoe Landing

For members that were not aware of the recent activities regarding the Canoe Landing, Roger provided a quick review. The latest news was that Roger received an email from Matt Erickson (Ashland County Highway Commissioner) stating the County board would be doing a drive-around on June 17th to review several projects including the Canoe Landing. The County board was expected to arrive at the site at 11:00 – 11:30 am. Mike and Jack agreed to represent the WFWA at the review.

Roger volunteered to make sure that anyone affected by the project would be kept informed of any developments. There was also a discussion about the possibility of having additional meetings if the project continues to move forward.

New Business

There was a discussion regarding the County's evacuation plan if the Day Lake dam failed. Roger has a map of what Clam Lake would like. It would become an island.

Roger made a motion to move the Annual Membership meeting start time from 10:00am to 9:00am, Jack 2nd. MC (Motion Carried)

Adjourn – 10:51am

Motion to Adjourn made by Chris, Roger 2nd. MC (Motion Carried)

Next Board of Directors meeting - 3rd Sat of May.

5/17/2025 9:00 AM

2025 Annual meeting – 3rd Saturday of June

6/21/2025 9:00 AM

Respectfully submitted:

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West Fork Waterway Association Inc.

... to preserve and protect the historic West Fork Waterway and wildlife area for recreation and public enjoyment of its scenic beauty today and in the future.