

Lake Mason Improvement Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 7:00-8:45 pm held by Zoom.

Minutes

Present: Dave Deltgen, Pam Klein, Jeff Marshall, Steve Lizer, Mike Atterberry, Jim Brancel, Bob Carlson, Liz Lehr, Barbara Maley

- 1) Water testing
  - a) SWIMS Project data will be on our website when provided back from DNR
  - b) Citizen Lake Monitoring will be done June, July, August by George and Mary Payne. DNR also doing regular testing as part of long-term monitoring.
- 2) Continued to explore ideas for committee actions / goals for 2023
  - a) Possible groups to partner with
    - i) Ducks Unlimited -Bob waiting to hear back.
    - ii) National Wild Turkey Federation - Bob Carlson to check on this group
    - iii) Wings Over WI and Pheasants Unlimited may rent out no-till drill. Jeff to research further.
    - iv) Dave communicated with Land Conservation Departments: Kyle Ketner (Adams Co) & Pat Kilbee (Marquette). Waiting to receive possible dates for face-to-face discussion between the committee and the County staff.
    - v) Local farmers using low-till methods
  - b) Shoreline Conservation, Restoration, Related zoning (25 minutes)
    - i) Discussed dissemination of “The Value of Shoreline Zoning” video
    - ii) Good Lake Steward survey from Minnesota <http://mnlakesandrivers.org> is a good example.
    - iii) Discussed Shoreline planting – Healthy Lakes & Rivers Grants & Signage - need further research Steve and Bob will look into. Then some small successful projects. Possibly signs “Designated Lake Steward.”
  - c) Educating those on the lake. Directory of residents and Area representatives to dispense information. Pam has about 20 signed up online to be in directory. Bob will use the list of Lake District residents to plot out a map of the lake and divide it into areas for representatives to use to help educate residents on lake improvement issues.
  - d) Carp removal
    - ii) 10K # removed early summer by commercial fisherman under contract with DNR. Possible fall removal.
    - iii) Carp Tournament discussed. Dave will research more.
  - e) “Welcome” packets discussed. Committee could use packets to education other residents.
  - f) Discussed need for Committee “Mission statement / bullet points of goals” to guide our activities. Pam will provide the “mission statement” for the committee as it was initially formed.
  - g) Most important next step is a meeting with the county folks to provide the cmt with guidance.