

Annual Meeting of the Duck Lake Association Minutes (pending approval)
PO Box 521, Park Rapids, MN 56470

The annual meeting of the Duck Lake Association (DLA) was held on Saturday, May 24, 2025 at the Huntersville Outpost. President Bill Otto called the meeting to order.

Board member roll call: Bill Otto, President; Michelle Koch, Vice President; Deb Rogers, Treasurer; Lynne Boulden, Secretary. At large members present: Chris Houska, Dan Wiederholt, Tony Follman. At large members absent: Dave Holmquist, Lisa Vasey. Volunteers present: Michael Munt, water quality monitor; Denny Boulden, Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS).

DLA members and guests introduced themselves.

There were 35 people in attendance with 24 voting units. The quorum minimum of 20 was met.

Andrea Otto moved that the minutes of the May 25, 2024 annual meeting and today's meeting agenda be approved. Tamara Winden seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Bill reported that last year's membership of 80 households was a record number. He hopes that we meet or exceed last year's numbers.

Treasurer's Report-Deb Rogers

The April 30, 2025 was \$1,515.85. Income is generated by membership dues-\$1,905.68, donations-\$960.00, and fundraiser profits-\$612.82. The donations and fundraiser profits are used solely to fund additional hours of AIS inspection at the public access. The board prefers to keep approximately \$1,500.00 in the account in case of need.

The proposed budget for 2025 was presented. There was no discussion. Sandy Wiederholt moved that the treasurer's report and the proposed budget be approved. Seconded by Bridgett Cook. Motion passed.

Water Quality Report-Michael Munt

Michael sampled the lake and water clarity was good at 12 feet. The lake level is down. He found an interesting report on the DNR site called the watershed health assessment framework. It gives Duck Lake a C+.

COLA Report-Bridgett Cook

The Coalition of Lake Associations meets monthly and its addresses a variety of lake concerns. It funds the decontamination station and Bill reports that an appointment is

now needed for that free service. COLA will have a stand at the June 12th Second St. Stage with information on invasive species.

Fundraiser Report-Donna Melby

There is new merchandise available to purchase today and orders can be placed. Order forms for all DLA can be downloaded on the website. Remember, all profits go to fund Duck Lake AIS inspection at the access.

Aquatic Invasive Species Report-Denny Boulden

The annual lake inspection was done in August with no new invasive species found. The lake continues to have faucet snails. He mentioned that is time to hang the zebra monitoring devices from docks and he has three more that can be taken. Cards are available for identification of invasive species.

Old Business

Bill reported on the status of the public access. Two additional concrete planks were placed back and some rocks was added but the access is still in bad shape. He thanked the Urbans for their assistance in dealing with the DNR in this matter. Bill will provide the membership with the DNR phone number so that calls can be made to address the public safety issue and the erosion of the beach area due to boaters using that area for access instead of the appropriate area.

New business

1. Tamara Winden questioned why posting to the DLA Facebook page is not allowed. Deb Rogers and Linda Roulliard's daughter Heather have both tried to fix that with no success. Tamara will look into solving that problem.
2. Renae Sells reported that longtime resident Duane Mead will be 96 in August. He broke a hip this year and will hopefully be moving into an assisted living facility in June. He may be able to come for their Fun Day in August.
3. Bridgett Cook reminded us of the 20mph speed limit. It is felt that most residents observe that but others who do not live around the lake don't observe it. She also reported that there is a fox with kits to watch for when driving.
4. Bill gave thanks to the board and volunteers for all that they do for the association and for Duck Lake.

A big thank you to Ann Klunenbergh for hosting our meeting at the Outpost and for providing rolls and coffee. Anne reported that the bridge will not be replaced this year or next year and that the green bridge is closed. She is doing some catering so if anyone has a need, she is willing to help. The river level is up but the water is too cold to tube. She has inside storage available for boats and campers at a cost of \$10 a foot for the season. The Monday night special of \$6 burgers and fries or 3 for \$15 is again this summer.

Sandy Wiederholt moved that the meeting be adjourned. Deb Rogers seconded it.
Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Lynne Boulden, Secretary