# Pike Lake Neighbors Inc.

# Board of Directors Meeting 04/04/2022, 5pm.

Zoom meeting.

## Officers and Directors are:

President – Steve Kubacki

Vice President – Rita Erspamer

Secretary – Duane Silkworth

Treasurer – Sarah Bourne

Director – Steven Anderson

Director – Judy Bugni

Director – Amanda Kraus

Director – Charles Schuler

Director – open

1. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 5:02 pm by president Steve Kubacki.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Directors are present.

Steve Kubacki

Duane Silkworth

Sarah Bourne

Steve Anderson

Charles Schuler joined soon after the meeting started.

1. MEMBERSHIP Report

We currently have 35 members who joined in 2021.

2. DUES

Dues are set at $50 in the Bylaws. Discussion. Consensus is to keep the current dues structure.

3. COMMMUNICATIONS

Steve K will revise and send the draft of a letter to the membership and other neighbors. It outlines last year’s activities and 2022 plans, requests 2022 dues from current members, invites other neighbors to join. An annual meeting and social event will be held the Sunday of Labor Day weekend.

4. FINANCIAL

The bank account has a $1359 balance, the result of last years dues and miscellaneous expenses incurred. Costs for our contractor White Water Associates were entirely covered by reimbursements from our DNR grant. This year is the last year of the grant. Whitewater will do more work this year: the pre and post treatment surveys and reports, plus another point-intercept survey and final report. We expect all remaining contracting costs to be reimbursed by the DNR except for about $150. We have a large balance of in-kind contributions which can be carried over, in addition to this year’s expected work, to apply to our remaining 25% share of the grant. We expect to be able to apply for reimbursement earlier than last year as soon as the reports are delivered.

5. SIGNS, FLAGS

Steve Anderson will research sources, designs, costs for signs or flags which members can display on their waterfronts.

6. WHITE WATER

Discussion and consensus that It would be useful to have a meeting with White Water and Zach Wilson this spring to go over this year’s plans. Some topics: possibly scheduling the post-treatment surveys for later in the season, since pulling weeds occurs through the summer. Attaching ribbons near CLP infestation spots to allow crews to find them easily.

7. WORK PLANS

As in the past two seasons, joint work crews of Iron County and volunteers are planned by Zach Wilson for the week of June 6-11, to hand-pull spots on the upstream river and the lake.

We will also better organize scheduled weekend, Saturday morning, volunteer efforts through the season by Pike Lake volunteers. This work will include:

Monitoring, searching for CLP.

Pulling CLP in Pike Lake and the River

Setting and emptying CLP catch nets.

Monitoring/social trips downstream to Lake of the Falls, perhaps with LOTF association participation.

Also, ad-hoc volunteers can work with Steve Anderson during the week.

Duane Silkworth will develop and publish a calendar for these plans and other events, to be posted on the website and Facebook page.

8. WEED MATS

Steve Anderson and Charles Schuler are authorized to continue to investigate costs and logistics to deploy weed mats in specific limited areas, and if reasonable, to proceed to apply for a DNR permit to use them. Moved by Steve Anderson, seconded by Charlie Schuler, approved 5-0.

9. MEMBERSHIPS

Iron County Lakes and Rivers Alliance membership is due, at $25. Duane Silkworth moved, Steve Anderson seconded, to renew the ICLRA membership. Approved 5-0.

Wisconsin Lakes association group Membership is $100. Discussed the costs and benefits of joining and reached no consensus to join at this time.

10. WEB SITE

Introductory price for 3 years of hosting by BlueHost expires in October. Regular cost will be $810 for 3 years. Discussed options for migrating web site and email lists, which will also have costs and work. We will continue to evaluate options, and if no other option seems worthwhile, we will renew for 1 year or 3 years.

11. ADJOURN

Duane Silkworth moved, Steve Anderson Seconded, carried 5-0.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Duane Silkworth, Secretary, Pike Lake Neighbors, Inc.