

Minutes for January 30, 2023, Skogman Lake Improvement District Board Meeting
Shari and Gene VanAlstine hosted and provided snacks and beverages. Thank you.

Members Bill Berg, Theresa Dolezal, Jan Hasler, Jen Hunt, Shari VanAlstine, Myron Lindstrom, Dan Debban, Jerry Miller and Mark Funfar. The members present were Bill, Theresa, Jan, Jen, Shari, and Mark. Guests included Gene VanAlstine and Tiffany Determan and Todd Kulaf from Isanti SWCD and Spencer Richards from Aquatic Conservation Services.

1. Approve minutes from Oct 27, 2022 LID board meeting. Theresa motioned to approve, Mark seconded it. Approved.
2. Budget/Cash on hand: \$20,352.07 as of 01/01/2021. Cash a year ago was \$27,754.25. 2022 revenue from property taxes was \$12,225.00 and expenses totaled \$19,627.18. The board suggested we raise the property tax from \$150 to \$200 at the annual meeting in July. The lake residents will vote on it.

A few outstanding bills need board approval: Isanti SWCD for \$3478.00, Mark Funfar for 2023 WIX Web hosting of \$264.00. Theresa motioned to approve and Jan seconded it. Approved. Mark will send the minutes to Isanti County for payment. Mark's new address for payment is 33286 Marmon ST NE, Cambridge MN 55008

3. 2022 Skogman Lake Monitoring and Shoreline Assessment presentation by Tiffany Determan and Todd Kulaf from Isanti SWCD.

From the monitoring that Shari, Mark, and SWCD conducted in 2022, **Skogman Lake has been taken off the impaired list because phosphorus levels averaged 30.** In 1994, 2004, and 2006 the phosphorus level was above the 40-impaired standard. The transparency (water clarity) trend continues to rise also. In 1998, clarity was at 4.6 feet, and in 2022 was at 5.8 feet. Isanti SWCD and the LID want to continue our partnership in order to keep Skogman Lake off the impaired list and reduce phosphorus much more. The board approved working with Isanti SWCD which for 2023 the expense would be about \$3000.00.

The Shoreline Assessment Recommendation is to address 1328 feet of shoreline on the south end of the lake which could reduce total phosphorus by 3.9 lb/year. (One pound equals 500 lbs of algae.) The board recommends we continue to work with Isanti SWCD regarding outreach and education, planning and prioritizing, and grant funding. Todd will be holding workshops for lake owners for potential commitment to shoreline restoration, including buffers, rain gardens, and rain barrels.

For 2023, Mark and Shari will take water samples and transparency levels from June through October.

4. Lake Steward program reporting. Anyone interested in shoreline buffers or restoration

can contact Todd Kulaf from Isanti SWCD, Mark Funfar, or check out the literature on the Skogman Lake website.

5. DNR grant of \$2850 but we must use two companies, one for treatment which we have selected Lake Restoration. The second, we had an interest in AIS Consulting for conducting surveys but they are no longer in business. Blue Water Science has been recommended and Mark received a quote of \$1000 for both CLP and EWM surveys (one survey produces a report on both CLP and EWM). The board approved using Blue Water Science for delineation/surveys. Mark will contact them.
 6. Need a member to assist in filing paperwork for the DNR grant which includes the SWIFT supplier application. Theresa has volunteered with assistance from Mark.
 7. Lake Restoration has sent Mark information on Individual Shoreline AIS Treatment but they need 15 participants. Bill talked to four other companies and they all require 12 to 15 individual commitments before they will do our shoreline. Spencer Richards from Aquatic Conservation Services (lives on Goose Lake) introduced himself and provided information on his services. He would apply chemicals towards the end of May to the first week of June. The board approved using Spencer for individual shoreline applications. Bill will contact Spencer.
- Skogman Lake (228 acres) (135 acres litoral x 15%) can treat 20.25 acres of AIS. The plan will be to treat individual shorelines in May/June then treat the remaining acreage in August for EWM which should be close to 20 acres. Treating 9 individual shorelines equals 1 acre, The currently approved DNR permit calls for treating 20 acres for EWM.
8. ICCOLA meeting dates will be in April, June, July, and September 2023 but exact dates have not been scheduled. Mark suggested that our LID board meeting be a week or so before these ICCOLA meetings so we can update them on Skogman Lake. Mark will attend most of the ICCOLA meetings but other board members are also welcome. Always good information.
 9. Discuss 2023 board meeting dates. The next board meeting will be Tuesday, March 28 at 7 pm at VanAlstine's. This date may change. The annual meeting is scheduled for July 8 at 9:00 at the Berg's or the Hope Church.
 10. Skogman Lake Website: skogmanlake.com Check it out.
 11. Outstanding item from the last meeting: Bill proposed we get more involved with the lake owners. Ideas to discuss at the next meeting:
 - At the annual meeting in July, throw a party with food and activities.
 - Do Tie-up-Tuesdays where boats meet at a site on the lake to get to know our neighbors.
 - Do a concert on the lake, anchor boats to listen to the music. Shari will contact

Kent Schutte regarding the Lake Association funds for these events.

12. Other business? No new residents.

Let me know of errors or omissions.

D Mark Funfar
Skogman LID Secretary & Lake Steward & Website Manager