

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Monthly Meeting Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee Aquatic Invasive Species	Date:	April 13, 2021	
	Time:	7:00pm	
	Location:	Zoom by Ann Mawicke	
	Next Meeting Date/Time:	May 11, 2021	
Conducted by:	Nick Williams		
Recorded by:	Jorja Burke, Alternate Secretary		
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MEETING MINUTES	
Topic/Subject	Discussion Items
Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7:08
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred – Zoom Mtg.
Secretaries' Minutes	Accepted as written.
Changes/additions to agenda	None
Intro of new members/guests	David Fritz, Wildcat Lake
Treasurer's Report/Budget	No changes, small amount of accrued interest, Treasurer not in attendance.
Correspondence	Any correspondence received is included in specific agenda items.

<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Lake Study Grants for 2017: Nick Williams/Crab Lake advises that Grant reports were reviewed by the DNR for: Little Presque Isle, Twin Island, Stateline, Oxbow, Dunn, Morton, Beaver, McCullough. PITLC is awaiting final bills from Whitewater; DNR links for the town website. Will file for DNR reimbursement in 2021. These grants have been extended through December 31, 2021 to allow for reimbursement filing. b. Lake Study Grants for 2018/2019: Grants are underway for 13 lakes. PITLC continues to process bills for these four grants. All associations under study have remitted their share of the town's cost. c. Shoreland study – Carlin Lake: DNR has paid advanced funds of \$1,400 for this study. Total expected to be approx. \$4,000. d. Dissolved Oxygen Meter: Greater participation in the use of the meter is expected for this year. Fritz Behr/Lynx Lake reported on annual maintenance (calibration fluid) and training for use. The meter will be stored either at Fritz's or Paul Lewandowski's/Rosalind/Papoose Lake homes for the near future. The Town of Winchester has purchased their own meter. e. Additions to PI Town Website: Ann Mawicke/Natural Lakes reported that a link has been established for PITLC activities on the Town Website and is updated as new information is received. f. CB/CW at landings: Volunteer boat inspectors have been asked to wear masks for their/others' safety. Regarding high water levels, Larry Gorrilla/Crab Lake said there's no need for signage at the Crab Lake landing at this time; other members also suggested there may be no need for warning signage this year. g. Wake Hazard Ordinance update: Required public hearing has not been scheduled. Residents continue to send their opinions to Lorine Walters, Town Clerk. We are advised to keep it short, stating only if you are in favor of a regulatory ordinance or not in favor of an ordinance. Dave Vogt/Annabelle Lake has requested PITLC refer to this issue as the "Wake Hazard Ordinance" - committee members agreed. Eric Benn/Armour Lake advised that the Ordinance Committee drafted the Wake Hazard Ordinance, sending it to the Town Board for approval. Ordinance was submitted to/reviewed by DNR and also Town Counsel. Eric may receive updates during the O.C. meeting on 04.14.21. Cathy Logan Weber/Town Liaison advised that the DNR has responded to the town board with suggested changes and Town Counsel also responded with a letter. Both responses are
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	<p>on file at Town Hall. Because the town is in the process of a change in Town Counsel and a new Town Chairman has been elected, this item will likely be revisited later this spring/summer. Sarah Sisbach/PI Lake has been approached by some residents who wish to set up a group in favor of this ordinance; she noted this was in response to the information that some who are not in favor of the ordinance have formed an alliance and hired an attorney. Initially, Sarah will put anyone who is interested in forming a group such as this in touch with each other.</p> <p>h. Other: None</p>	
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<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Slow no wake confusion explained – March 13 meeting: Nick explained Marshall Reckard/Town Chair rescinded Ordinance 501.3.Motorboats. He asked for Cathy’s comments. She advised that Marshall and Carl Wolter voted to amend the Ordinance 501.3 (Cathy voted “nay”). After Marshall was reminded that a case predicated on this ordinance was won by the town several years ago, a motion to rescind that motion of 03/04/21 passed 3-0 on 03/13/21. b. All town meeting scheduled for May 20, 2021 at 6PM, probably by Zoom. Watch for postings by Lorine. c. Parks and Rec to rebuild the Annabelle Lake Kiosk: Eric advised this kiosk is deteriorating and will be rebuilt by the Park & Rec Committee. Jeff Burke/Van Vliet suggested Bob Barofsky may have the original plans approved by the DNR and used for kiosks built at other lake landings. Eric will contact Bob. d. Lake Steward of the Month – December 2020 Vilas County Land and Water publication: Nick was interviewed for this issue of the newsletter. There may be a copy in the Library. e. Little Horsehead Landing: Eric and Cathy commented on the ADA/compliant landing, including information that the entire cost will be covered through state and county grant money. Work is expected to begin in the near future. f. The Internet: Nick presented information about a local ad hoc internet committee and possibilities available to unserved/underserved areas. Discussion ensued and centered about where the dollars come from, fiber optics, and the involvement of Centurylink and other providers such as Starlink, and installations. g. Other: 1. Ann attended the UW Stevens Point virtual “Water Week” and recommended 2 presentations on results of wave actions. 2. She noted the DNR spring Public Hearing has begun. 3. Also, Ann offers to help anyone from PITLC who has any questions about terrestrial invasive plants.
<p>Next meeting:</p>	<p>Wisconsin Water Week presentations on wave dynamics - there are 6 presentations in the attached link. The two presentations about wave dynamics are: #5 - DNR presentation on wave dynamics #6 - lake study from southern WI on different wave impacts comparing motorboats, jet skis, pontoon, and wake boats. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6aVQYpBMBW9xv3hnGqysGbB5yW8FNrlz Wisconsin Conservation Congress (WCC) and DNR annual spring hearings online survey. Survey closes April 15 7pm. https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/wcc/springhearing</p>

	<p>4. In Spring of 2020, Sarah was involved in securing/distributing supplies for lake testing. Larry advised all water testing supplies have already been mailed for 2021.</p> <p>5. Paul, Eric and Cathy discussed a joint ordinance on Papoose Lake; there must be an ordinance in each town. In the Town of PI that would be handled by the Ordinance Committee and in Winchester by their Long Range Planning Committee.</p> <p>May 11, 2012, probably by Zoom</p>
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams at 8:00pm

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Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7:06pm
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred – Zoom Mtg.
Secretaries' Minutes	Accepted as written.
Changes/additions to agenda	None.
Intro of new members/guests	Mike Brandt/Wildcat; BradleySimmons/Wildcat; John MacLean/Town Chair.
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Current Balance: \$3876.05 + interest of \$3.61. No other activity.
Correspondence	Included in discussion within appropriate agenda item. 1. Starlink/Sara S. email re internet access. 2. Nick W/Jorja B email re confusion between 200' No Wake and Wake Hazard ordinances.

Old Business

- a. **Lake Study Grants for 2017:** Awaiting DNR links for the town's website. We can file for DNR reimbursement after July 1st. See attached.
- b. **Lake Study Grants for 2018/2019:** Preliminary Annabelle Lake report in hand, sent copy to Dave Vogt for review, other Lake reviews from 2019 to follow from time to time. May need to ask for an extension of payout.
- c. **Shoreland study – Carlin Lake:** Good to go. Have not started as yet. DNR has paid advanced funds for this study.
- d. **Dissolved Oxygen Meter:** If a PI lake monitor would like to use the meter, it is currently at Paul Lewandoski's home. Contact him.
- e. **Wake Hazard Ordinance update:** Eric Benn/Armour reported there has been no additional information. Issue not yet addressed by new town board. Re shared lakes ordinances, Eric thinks the confusion at the Winchester town meeting was about the 200' No Wake ordinance and not about the Wake Hazard ordinance. Paul Lewandoski /Rosalind/Papoose verified that was the case. Cathy Logan Weber/PI Town Supervisor, heard from Mr. Grimmer/Winchester Town Supervisor re this subject and directed him to Carl Watras/PI Ordinance Committee. Eric will follow-up at the 05.12.21 Ordinance Committee meeting. Paul said there was a lot of confusion between the 2 issues. Wake Boat activity has been noted on these lakes: Armour, Crab, Oxbow and the PI chain.
- f. **Other:** Per Nick, regarding the subject of underserved (or no-service at all) internet capabilities in PI: VCEDC along with PIEDC are planning to mail out a survey to PI residents. Charter, an internet service provider, is also addressing the issue and says their solution will be at no cost to the town. Correspondence between Starlink and Sarah Sisbach re DIY installation of satellite receiving equipment was read by Nick. If there are any questions, it was suggested to give Sarah a call. Nick will continue to follow this issue.

New Business

- a. The annual town meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021 at 6PM (directly following the regular town mtg at 5:00pm), probably by Zoom, with some attendees in person. Nick will write the PITLC presentation, it will be read by Lorine.

b. **Other:**

1. Catherine Higley/VC Invasive Species Coordinator has requested an organized Clean Boats/Clean Water monitoring effort for the July 4th holiday. Ice packs and hand-towels with the CBCW logo are available to lake associations, at no cost, for giveaways at lake access sites. Contact her if interested.

2. **What is our charge as Town Lakes Committee?** Nick introduced this item, precipitated by changes in lake management reports by Whitewater. Initially, PITLC was organized to educate the public about lake use and to thwart invasive species and subsequently, instituted CBCW and Adopt-a-Shoreline in PI to help accomplish this. The DNR (Kevin Gauthier), over the years, has added additional items for inclusion in studies by Whitewater. For instance, evaluation of properties for runoff (mediation of land), and also requesting information about possibilities of gifting property to the DNR or establishing conservation easements be included in the reports. Following are some committee members' thoughts (not necessarily all) expressed:

Tom W: Is the DNR editorializing the Whitewater reports? **Nick:** Yes...they ask for something new to be added to the reports (sometimes after the job is quoted), taking up items on the DNR's behalf. **Tom P:** Expressed concern about the impacts of humans on our lakes. He thinks this is appropriate to address but shoreland restoration is going too far. **Otto:** Thinks that new ideas introduced are important data for education (for example, including in reports the tendency to runoff that the DNR has requested). **Eric:** Thinks the surveys need to contain the scientific info; the more data, the better. **Jeff:** There may be a need for a new funding source other than the DNR if they begin requiring Whitewater reports to include things our county or town zoning does not permit. **Ann:** There's difficulty in trying to keep water and terrestrial invasive species separated in testing and reporting as so many cross over, for instance loosestrife and yellow iris. **Jorja:** Haven't we recently (within a couple of years) discussed the possibility (and possible importance to future grants from the DNR) of lake associations showing how they have employed Whitewater's

	<p>recommendations for our lakes' continued good health?</p> <p>3. Tom P would like to see the danger to aquatics from Permethrin pesticides addressed. For instance, dragonflies are susceptible to this chemical and they are major mosquito eaters.</p> <p>4. Updates to DNR Links: Ann has found links to some DNR website info difficult to locate. She will continue to and then update the town's website.</p> <p>5. John MacLean advised that using a cellulose product to replace chip-seal for town roads in PI was underway.</p> <p>June 8, 2021, probably by Zoom Cathy advises the Community Center is now open for public use. There is no written policy or any written requirements in effect, however, "recommendations" referring to masks, opening windows and social distancing will be made available. She suggests planning for a hybrid meeting, Zoom and in-person.</p>
Next meeting:	
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams at 8:04pm.

Unapproved minutes.

Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee

May 8, 2021

2017 Grants

Summary - Grant in process	Cash Flow	Contract	Town Share	DNR Share
2017 grant/Whitewater Assoc -	\$ 80,520.00	\$ 83,192.00	\$ 17,632.84	\$ 65,559.16
State Dept of Hygiene estimate		\$ (2,672.00)	\$ (1,229.12)	\$ (1,442.88)
State Dept of Hygiene paid	\$ 2,016.00	\$ 2,016.00	\$ 927.36	\$ 1,088.64
2017 grant/DNR paid	\$ (21,356.17)			\$ (21,356.17)
2017 grant/Lakes paid 2019	\$ (1,475.16)		\$ (1,475.16)	
Net town share so far	\$ 59,704.67		\$ 15,855.92	\$ -
DNR to pay	\$ (43,848.75)			\$ 43,848.75
Future Advances to Vendor	\$ -			
Net town share final	\$ 15,855.92			
Donation Whitewater		\$ 37,680.00		
Total Grants		\$ 120,216.00		

LPL 165218 Oxbow

54%

2017 grant/Whitewater Assoc	\$ 12,480.00	\$ 12,814.00	\$ 2,881.24	\$ 9,932.76
State Dept of Hygiene estimate		\$ (334.00)	\$ (153.64)	\$ (180.36)
State Dept of Hygiene paid	\$ 252.00	\$ 252.00	\$ 115.92	\$ 136.08
2017 grant/DNR paid	\$ (7,449.57)			\$ (7,449.57)
2017 grant/Lake paid 2019	\$ (288.12)		\$ (288.12)	
Net town share so far	\$ 4,994.31		\$ 2,555.40	\$ -
DNR to pay	\$ (2,438.91)			\$ 2,438.91
Future Advanes to Vendor	\$ -			
Net town share final	\$ 2,555.40			
Donation Whitewater		\$ 5,580.00		
Total Grant		\$ 18,312.00		

AEPP53168 Stateline

54%

2017 grant/Whitewater Assoc	\$ 12,480.00	\$ 12,814.00	\$ 2,881.24	\$ 9,932.76
State Dept of Hygiene estimate		\$ (334.00)	\$ (153.64)	\$ (180.36)
State Dept of Hygiene paid	\$ 252.00	\$ 252.00	\$ 115.92	\$ 136.08
2017 grant/DNR paid	\$ (2,483.19)			\$ (2,483.19)
2016 grant/Lake to pay 2019	\$ -		\$ -	
Net town share so far	\$ 10,248.81		\$ 2,843.52	\$ -
DNR to pay	\$ (7,405.29)			\$ 7,405.29
Future Advances to Vendor	\$ -			
Net town share final	\$ 2,843.52			
Donation Whitewater		\$ 5,580.00		
Total Grant		\$ 18,312.00		

AEPP55518 Frontier

54%

2017 grant/Whitewater Assoc	\$ 19,320.00	\$ 19,988.00	\$ 4,132.60	\$ 15,855.40
State Dept of Hygiene estimate		\$ (668.00)	\$ (307.28)	\$ (360.72)
State Dept of Hygiene paid	\$ 504.00	\$ 504.00	\$ 231.84	\$ 272.16
2017 grant/DNR paid	\$ (3,963.85)			\$ (3,963.85)
2017 grant/Lake paid 2019	\$ (413.26)		\$ (413.26)	

Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee

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2017 Grants

Net town share so far	\$ 15,446.89	\$ 3,643.90	\$ -
DNR to pay	\$ (11,802.99)		\$ 11,802.99
Future Advances to Vendor	\$ -		
Net town share final	\$ 3,643.90		
Donation Whitewater		\$ 8,840.00	
Total Grant		\$ 28,664.00	

	Cash Flow	Contract	Town Share	DNR Share
AEPP55618 Natural				54%
2017 grant/Whitewater Assoc	\$ 36,240.00	\$ 37,576.00	\$ 7,737.76	\$ 29,838.24
State Dept of Hygiene estimate		\$ (1,336.00)	\$ (614.56)	\$ (721.44)
State Dept of Hygiene paid	\$ 1,008.00	\$ 1,008.00	\$ 463.68	\$ 544.32
2017 grant/DNR paid	\$ (7,459.56)			\$ (7,459.56)
2017 grant/Lake paid 2019	\$ (773.78)		\$ (773.78)	
Net town share so far	\$ 29,014.66		\$ 6,813.10	\$ -
DNR to pay	\$ (22,201.56)			\$ 22,201.56
Future Advances to Vendor	\$ -			
Net town share final	\$ 6,813.10			
Donation Whitewater		\$ 17,680.00		
Total Grant		\$ 54,928.00		

Special Notes

2017 Grant Summary By Year (Totals)

2018

Received from DNR	\$ 21,356.17	
Received from Lake Associations	\$ -	
Paid to Whitewater, Inc	\$ (48,897.50)	
Paid to State Dept of Hygiene	\$ (2,016.00)	
Net 2017	\$ (29,557.33)	(net outflow 2017 grant)

2019

Received from Lake Associations	\$ 1,475.16	
Paid to Whitewater, Inc	\$ (12,860.00)	
Net 2019	\$ (11,384.84)	(net outflow 2017 grant)

2020 Paid to Whitewater, Inc \$ (18,762.50) (net outflow 2017 grant)

2021 To be Received from DNR \$ 43,848.75

Total \$ (15,855.92) (net outflow 2017 grant)

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Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7 PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Waived due to Zoom Mtg.
Secretaries' Minutes	No corrections
Changes/additions to agenda	This is a revised agenda
Intro of new members/guests	Suzie Gawrilik, Susan and Dave Engeseth, Pam and Al Eschenbauch
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Otto not present. Balance is the same as May 2021
Correspondence	Nick reports that he is getting 25 – 30 emails a day.

<p>Old Business</p>	<p>a. Lake Study Grants for 2017 – Otto and Nick are still working on the reimbursement forms; work has slowed due to Covid; this is for Oxbow, Natural Lakes, Stateline and Frontier Lakes. The DNR agreed to an extension for this. Note: this was the year that shoreland assessment became a part of the lake study. This is background information for item c.</p> <p>b. Lake Study Grant for 2018/2019 – This is underway. Nick sent the report to the 12 lakes to have them checkout the details. Nick is checking the scientific information in them from one lake to another. These were to be done by June, then December 2021. We are requesting the date of Dec. 2022 since most work has been delayed.</p> <p>c. Shoreland study – Carlin Lake -This \$4,000 study will take place June 29, 2021. White Water Associates will take photos and send them to the WDNR and us. (So far in our township 39 lakes and 2 rivers have been studied, some as many as 3 times. Nick and Ann have made sure all of the reports are on the town website by year and lake name.) Wilderness Waters Adaptive Management Plan use the data collected to compare lakes chemical composition, secchi dish readings etc. with graphs. These reports will give us a baseline so changes in the lake (AIS or other) can be documented. Lake associations need to assess methods to address problems and make sure that all property owners are apprised of any decision.</p> <p>d. Dissolved oxygen meter – Fritz Behr and Paul Lewandoski maintain and calibrate it. We are reminded that it is simple to use.</p> <p>e. Hazardous Wake – The Presque Isle Town ordinance board has been working on this since January. The town board has discussed it at several subsequent meetings. The town attorney Steve Garbovitz and the DNR have seen our ordinance and each have opinions about it. These opinions are on the town website (piwi.us). Richard Phillips presented 2 laws already on the books – one from the state DNR that prohibits creating a hazardous wake or wash and one from Presque Isle concerning the 200’ no-wake distance from shore. Our guests tonight all weighed in on this topic. Discussion about what aspects of hazardous wakes could be studied to see a before and after effect on a lake. We’ve heard of several incidents where paddle boarders, kayacks, and other craft have been swamped by these wakes. Also shorelines and lake beds seem to be threatened as well. Tom Preston, an ordinance committee member, said the ordinance specifically addresses boat equipment that is intended to amplify the wake on purpose. There are lakes in Wisconsin who already have such an ordinance (Bass Lake, towns of Mequon and Thiensville and Lac Courte Orielles to name a few.). Susan Engeseth presented their ordinances and she also has asked these entities about liability and enforceability. None have had any lawsuits against their ordinances. She wonders if</p>
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	<p>concern about a lawsuit is a sham threat by proponents of boats that create these wakes. It appears that the DNR has staff on both sides of this issue. Other concerns are: will our future grants will be denied if we don't have an ordinance to protect our lakes; recognize that some owners of these boats are responsible boaters and that the ordinance needs to be for those who are not; how to handle renters on our lakes that ignore many rules and regulations.</p> <p>f. Bass Lake – see above g. Other - none</p>	
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	Watkins, Mary	Carlin	
	Wiegand, Tom	Horsehead	
x	Wierzba, Tom	Big	
x	Williams, Nick	Crab	
	<u>Zarembka, Fred</u> *Indicates non-voting member	<u>Big</u>	

MEETING MINUTES	
Topic/Subject	Discussion Items
Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7 PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred.
Secretaries' Minutes	No corrections
Changes/additions to agenda	None
Intro of new members/guests	None
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Balance is \$3,880.72
Correspondence	<p>1. Nick received a query from Lone Pine Lake about our committee; the president of their association likes our work; their lake was first studied in 2014.</p> <p>2. Nick discussed the letter from Lawton & Cates to the town board regarding the ATV ordinance. They are doing an open records request concerning how the ordinance was created, who drafted it, and all notes and emails regarding it.</p>

<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Lake Study Grants for 2017 – Otto and Nick will work on the reimbursements in the fall before Otto leaves. b. Lake Study Grant for 2018/2019 – Nick has requested that White Water Associates send all outstanding bills. Also Carlin Lake Assoc. was sent a bill for their shoreland study and Bob Ruch said it would be paid promptly. Nick said we still have many donation bills out. He also said that PITLC has collected \$450,000 in DNR funds for studies of township lakes and rivers and we have no AIS. c. Shoreland study – Carlin Lake - For the shoreland study, science data such as Secchi dish etc. is not collected, just evaluation of the shore. Bob reported that one example is data concerning the number of natural fallen trees into the lake which also have part of the trunk on the shore. d. Dissolved oxygen meter – Paul Lewandoski has it now. e. Hazardous Wake – The town ordinance committee has been working on a draft of this. The town board voted to take the town attorney’s advice that such an ordinance was unenforceable and would subject the town to lawsuits. The Lawton and Cates letter supporting the ordinance had 24 pages of exhibits that show there are communities with such an ordinance and no lawsuits against them were found. North Lake in southern Wisconsin has a You Tube video taken with an underwater drone that shows how these wakes wash away plants and fish spawning areas. The wake also disturbs the lake bottom and brings up sediment. This impacts muskies, walleye, and northern pike which rely on visibility to catch their prey. When the lake bottom is disturbed long buried mercury and other elements are turned up from where they have been settled for years. Sawyer County has the best fishery in the state and these are concerns for them. f. Hazardous Wake Signs – Eric Benn will submit a bill. g. Other – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Red Bass Lake was attached to Lynx Lake via a culvert. Lynx Lake Assoc. paid for the cost of the study done on Red Bass Lake. The DNR would like to put an AIS sign at the canoe lift-in on Red Bass but the property owner of that site doesn’t want the sign since it would be on private property. 2. Stateline Campground has a new owner, Kelly, and we’d like to invite him to our meeting. Jorja will give Nick his contact information.
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New Business

- a. **PITLC and Lake Associations** – no discussion
- b. **Yellow flag iris study on Crab Lake** – for 2 years Crab Lake has been identifying and removing yellow iris (flower is cut off and the plant is inoculated). The entire shoreline has been walked to find them. GPS was used to locate them. The results are that there are less infected areas or they are totally gone. Any part of the plant should be placed in a black trash bag and labelled that it contains invasive plants and should go to the transfer station and not go into compost. Bob Horswill has been digging them up on the Armour Lake shoreline as well. Ann Mawicke is conducting a terrestrial invasive species workshop at the North Lakeland Discovery Center. She emphasized that 3 types of thistle: Bull, Canadian, and Eurasian Marsh should all have flowers removed (they contain thousands of seeds) and that the plant should be dug up for best control. { Editorial note: Ann was honored by the Wisconsin DNR with an Invader Crusader Award for 2021 for this work.}
- c. **Watershed study – Rice Creek:** Cathy Higley and Sean O’Connell are doing this study. County employees will walk to find where there is pollution and erosion. They are looking for volunteers to help. Tom Wierzba brought this up at the Big Lake Association meeting and was able to get 11 volunteers. (Big Lake is at one end of Rice Creek.) It was suggested that they read the Round Lake, Big Lake and Rice Creek studies that have already been done. Nick noted that the land north of Round Lake has been clear cut 3 times since he’s been up here which produces a monoculture of quaking aspen which makes it prone for army tent caterpillars.
- d. **Last Wilderness Alliance** – This group has hired Lawton and Cates attorneys to look into the ATV and Hazardous Wake ordinances in Presque Isle. June and Paul reminded us that ATV probably doesn’t come under our purview. Lawton and Cates wants to separate the 2 issues but they want to gauge community support for each. While lake associations may be discussing this issue, each individual should respond when given the opportunity.
- e. **Other –1.** More discussion on the Hazardous Wake issue: In some state lakes there is a 700 foot no-wake zone; there are few lakes in Presque Isle where this would work. Ann noted that Natural Lakes is private and they have put up a sign saying there will a \$1,000 fine for anyone launching a boat that generates a hazardous wake. Carol thinks it should be a lake by lake consideration of the hours of use, size of the lake, and the structure of the lake including the shoreline, depth, and composition of the lake bottom.
2. Paul will attend a 6 county discussion on hazardous wakes. Oneida and Vilas counties are included.. It will be virtual and is available from the Vilas County River and Lakes Association on their website: VCRLA.org

	<p>3.-The Presque Isle Zoning Committee is now meeting at our usual time in the Community Center so we've been bumped. Larry Gorilla said he would sign us up to use the American Legion facility for August and September.</p> <p>4. It was noted that the dam at Pipke Park has failed, that culverts are only made to last 40 years, and the question was raised as to when these were last inspected.</p>
Adjourn	<p>Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams at 8:26 pm</p> <p>Next Meeting at the American Legion at 7 PM, August 10,2021</p>

Unapproved minutes.

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Monthly Meeting Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee Aquatic Invasive Species	Date:	September 14, 2021	
	Time:	7:00 pm	
	Location	Zoom Meeting	
	Next Meeting Date/Time:	October 12, 2021, Zoom or PI Community Center	
Conducted by:	Nick Williams		
Recorded by:	Jorja Burke, Alternate Secretary		
ATTENDEE INFORMATION			
Attended	Name	Lake	Delegate
	Behr, Fritz	Lynx Lake	
x	Benn, Eric	Armour	
	Burke, Jeff	Van Vliet	
x	Burke, Jorja	Van Vliet	
	Casey, Susan	Armour	
	Cerny, William	Lynx	
	Czarny, Mike	Van Vliet	
	Drum, Sue	Horsehead	
	Duke, Jim	Wildcat	
	Gorrilla, Larry	Crab	
	Gorrilla, Colleen	Crab	
	Gruca, Gary	Lynx	
	Higley, Catherine*	Vilas C. Invas.Spec.Co	
	Horswill, Bob	Armour	
	Jacobsen, Ronie	Van Vliet	
x	Lewandoski, June	Rosalind/Papoose	
x	Lewandoski, Paul	Rosalind/Papoose	
	Logan Weber, Cathy*	Town Board Liaison	
x	Mawicke, Ann	Natural Lakes	
	Novak, Linda	Oxbow	
x	Novak, Otto	Oxbow	
x	Phillips, Carol	Wildcat	

x	Phillips, Richard	Wildcat	
	Plouff, Gary	Frontier Lakes	
	Preston, Tom	Katinka	
	Ruch, Bob	Carlin	
	Ruch, Judy	Carlin	
x	Sisbach, Sarah	Presque Isle	
	Speer, Gail	Katinka	
	Strauss, Lynn	Horsehead	
	Suffron, John	Annabelle	
	Suffron, Kay	Annabelle	
	Vogt, Dave	Annabelle	
	Walters, Lorine	Horsehead/Town Clerk	
	Watkins, Mary	Carlin	
	Wiegand, Tom	Horsehead	
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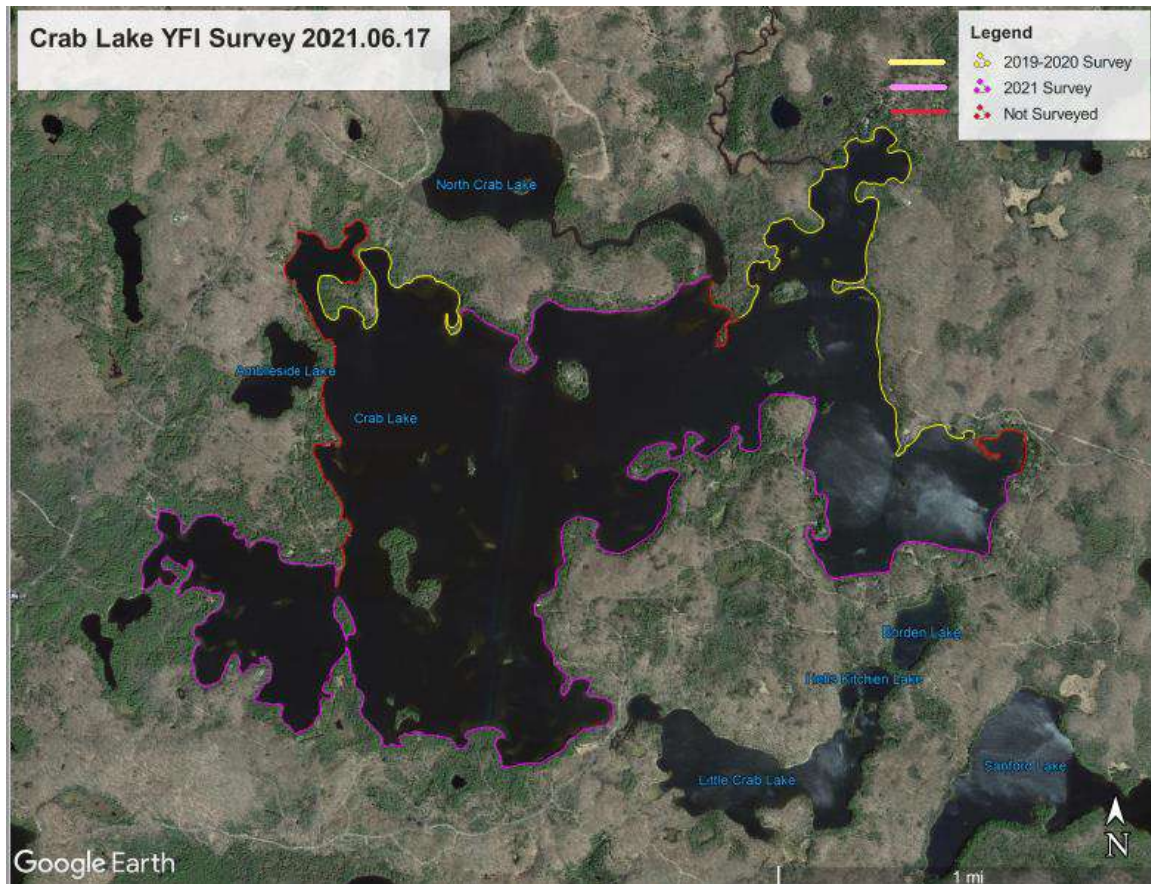
MEETING MINUTES	
Topic/Subject	Discussion Items
Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7 PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred.
Secretaries' Minutes	No corrections
Changes/additions to agenda	None
Intro of new members/guests	Shawn O'Connell/Rice Creek Watershed Project Coordinator for Vilas County and Ginni Henke/Phelps, WI.
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Balance is \$3,880.72. No transactions.
Correspondence	None.

<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Lake Study Grants for 2017 – Otto Novak and Nick Williams will begin consolidating bills for reimbursement. b. Lake Study Grant for 2018/2019 – 13 lakes completed; no more reports other than Annabelle in Spring 2022. Nick will distribute when available. c. Shoreland study – Carlin Lake - Completed. Reports pending. d. Dissolved oxygen meter – Paul Lewandoski advised there is currently little use of the meter. e. Hazardous Wake – The Last Wilderness Alliance collected 150 signatures to force adoption of the ordinance as written by the PI Ordinance Committee. The Town Board is waiting for the town attorney to review. Response is due within 30 days which would be October 2, 2021. Discussion ensued. Eric Benn advised that the Town Board has asked the Ordinance Committee to review, again, the ordinance in question but there will be no September meeting due to lack of a quorum. Richard Phillips explained the refusal of the Town Board to adopt the Hazardous Wake ordinance along with the possible effects of not recognizing the village powers of Presque Isle (instituted in 1958). It was mentioned those powers were instituted by the then Town Chair, Fred Wolter, the father of current town supervisor, Carl Wolter. Further, if “direct legislation” with Village Powers does not apply in this case (as was stated by current town chair, John MacLean) since Vilas County has recognized Presque Isle’s authority to institute ordinances since 1958, many of our ordinances may be null and void. As there is no precedence, this issue may go to the courts. f. Hazardous Wake Signs – The Crab Lake laminated sign has disappeared from the boat landing kiosk. According to the signed agreement with the DNR at the time a grant to build the kiosks was awarded, it was designated that 1/3 of the space was for DNR postings, 1/3 for the town and 1/3 for the lake associations. As an emissary of the Crab Lake Association, Nick Williams has rehung a new hazardous wake sign. The laminated informational signs are still in place at other landings. Discussion ensued. It is also unknown who removed the <u>STOP Invasives</u> DNR sign from the kiosk at the Little Horsehead landing. Discussion about responsibility for this boat landing continued. It is now a town (not Vilas County or DNR) landing. Past-PI town chair, Marshall Reckard, worked with Vilas County to accomplish the filing of this deed in 2021. g. Progress Reports - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All of Crab Lake has been inspected and GPS points of beds of Yellow Iris and Blue Flag Iris have been identified. It took 3 years of wading the shoreline by volunteers to accomplish. Approximately 133 patches were found, 63 treated (dug up and removed to a disposal site). In addition to the volunteer’s work, the CLLA cost to remove/dispose was \$500.
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	<p>Total eradication projected by 2025/26. (Attachment).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="690 254 1349 436">2. Ann Mawicke suggests a “Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Federal Grant” <u>may</u> be available for this project and others like it. It would be worth the inquiry. April is the due date for submissions. Contact Ann for more information. Eric mentioned matches with volunteer hours as with other grants.<li data-bbox="690 436 1372 709">3. Other - The Lakeland Times published an article referring to a payment to the Discovery Center for \$15,000 to cover administration of their invasives program (includes admin. Costs as well as intern’s wages and pulling/disposing of invasive plants. Harris Lake is still infested with Curly Pond Leaf, although it has been greatly reduced. It was noted by Nick that PITLC requests have averaged less than \$10,000/annually for our invasives program.	
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<p>New Business</p>	<p>a. Watershed Study – Rice Creek Shawn O’Connell /Rice Creek Watershed Project Coordinator for Vilas County (in conjunction with Cathy Higley/VC and Carolynn Scholl/VC) advised PITLC about the progress of this project. The study includes 16 lakes (10 in PI) and 8 creeks (5 in PI). Accomplishments are to include: Raising public awareness; an erosion assessment survey; and identify, measure and management of erosion. It was mentioned that hazardous wakes erosion issues are not included in the initial part of this project. Discussion ensued. Ann suggests Whitewater, using data gathered over the years in PI lakes, may be able to make predictions of the possibilities for the future health of our lakes; Eric addressed the politics vs desire to maintain “fun water activities” in an unrestricted manner. Other erosion topics mentioned were a new home owner with a bobcat, and possible erosion results of DNR logging close to shorelines. The project is beginning with private lands and may extend to state lands in a later phase.</p> <p>Per Shawn, during the winter of 2022, information from the erosion assessment is to be released. Projects to mitigate erosion issues would be at a later date for cost-share projects. Shawn also said PITLC information has been of use to the project which is funded through the DNR. PITLC members Carol and Richard Phillips participated as volunteers during Phase 1 this year. The next phase will begin before things start greening up in 2022 (first couple weeks in April). Volunteer opportunities are available. Contact Shawn O’Connell: (715) 479-3747 Ext.4 or shocon@vilascountywi.gov</p> <p>b. Other – None.</p>
<p>Adjourn</p> <p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams, Chair @ 8:20 PM.</p> <p>Zoom or PI Community Center @ 7 PM, October 12, 2021</p>

Unapproved minutes.



Bill,

I trust that you have received the reports I provided to the CLCF on the 2021 Yellow Iris Survey and Removal effort. When able, I encourage you to consider them. Section 5 of the Abatement Reports is particularly important as it conveys what can be expected moving forward. I have to offer a few words below about what the bottom line is relative to the Yellow Iris and also a request for compensation for expenses I incurred this year.

Quite a few lessons have been learned since effort to remove began in earnest in 2018. I have arrived at an opinion that complete eradication can be successfully achieved by 2025 or 2026 absent any extenuating circumstances. I also have an opinion on how it can be best achieved.

Yearly removal effort should be broken down into two distinct efforts:

1. Complete 100% survey of the lake to identify all Mature Yellow Iris.
2. Organized Dig to remove Known Yellow Iris.

The survey needs to be 100% of the shoreline and needs to be thorough enough so as to find all Mature Yellow Iris along 18+ miles of shoreline. All blossoms or Seed Pods need to be removed at this time to preclude viable seeds from entering the lake. Any single seed having germinated has the potential of resetting the clock and extending the removal effort beyond 2025/26. I have no stomach for extending the removal effort and I would very much like to see it successfully concluded. Therefore, I strongly recommend that 100% survey and harvesting blossoms/seed pods be achieved yearly with no unwarranted relax.

I'm an advocate of a wading surveys. Even though wading is the most difficult and time consuming, it is the most thorough. A wading survey can generally proceed at a rate of about 0.5 miles per hour. Therefore, it takes about 36 hours actual wading time to complete. Add in time required to plan, organize, ferry, rest, etc, the effort can consume a large portion of 7-10 days if attended to by an individual.

Organized digs have generally taken about 5 hours, with one crew, to remove what was planned for removal. These efforts will reduce over time as fewer yellow iris are found to exist in subsequent years.

We are currently aware of 32 known yellow iris stands on the lake. More yellow iris will be found during next years survey. If there is cooperation with the remaining property owners, we can perhaps remove 100% of the remaining known yellow iris next year. The remaining effort will then entail yearly survey and removal of yellow iris that has matured to blossom since the prior year. If the yearly complete survey and blossom/seed pod removal are entirely successful (no viable seeds released in the lake), there will be no more yellow iris germinating or maturing past 2025, maybe 2026.

I can currently commit to personally attending to or organizing the effort in 2022. Broader participation and responsibility may be required to conclude efforts in 2023 and beyond.

To arrive at this point, I have incurred expenses since I started attending to Yellow Iris in 2018. I would like to request that the CLCF compensate me for those that were expended in 2021. This amounts to \$489.57. A summary and the receipts that I have are attached. After consideration, if the CLCF can grant me compensation for the expenses, feel free to contact me to consider how best to transfer.

Best to You,

Boyd Zander

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Monthly Meeting Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee Aquatic Invasive Species	Date:	October 12, 2021	
	Time:	7:04pm	
	Location	Zoom Meeting	
	Next Meeting Date/Time:	January 11, 2022, Zoom or PI Community Center	
Conducted by:	Nick Williams		
Recorded by:	Jorja Burke, Alternate Secretary		
ATTENDEE INFORMATION			
Attended	Name	Lake	Delegate
	Behr, Fritz	Lynx Lake	
x	Benn, Eric	Armour	
x	Burke, Jeff	Van Vliet	
x	Burke, Jorja	Van Vliet	
	Casey, Susan	Armour	
	Cerny, William	Lynx	
	Czarny, Mike	Van Vliet	
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	Preston, Tom	Katinka	
x	Ruch, Bob	Carlin	
	Ruch, Judy	Carlin	
	Sisbach, Sarah	Presque Isle	
	Speer, Gail	Katinka	
	Strauss, Lynn	Horsehead	
	Suffron, John	Annabelle	
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	Walters, Lorine	Horsehead/Town Clerk	
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MEETING MINUTES	
Topic/Subject	Discussion Items
Call to Order	Nick Williams @ 7 PM
Pledge of Allegiance	Deferred.
Secretaries' Minutes	No corrections
Changes/additions to agenda	None
Intro of new members/guests	None
Treasurer's Report/Budget	Beginning Balance (since last report) \$3,880.72 Interest (09/30/21) .98 Balance (as of 10/12/21) \$3,881.70 Per Otto Novak, Treasurer
Correspondence	1. Thank you from Shawn O'Connell /Vilas County for the opportunity to present the Rice Creek Watershed Project information to PITLC. 2. Eric Benn has received notification that the controversy regarding ownership of properties on Armour and Horsehead Lakes has been resolved.

<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Lake Study Grants for 2017 – In progress. Nick sent list of 14 checks for Lorine to issue. b. Lake Study Grant for 2018/2019 – In progress. Nick has received only invoicing containing Whitewater donations to date and is waiting for the balance. c. Shoreland study – Carlin Lake: In progress. Reports will be available in Spring 2022. d. Dissolved oxygen meter: Paul Lewandoski advised no one has called to use it since last meeting. e. Hazardous Wake: Thanks from Nick to 6 members who signed for the “Writ of Mandamus” which will be filed in 2-3 days. The PI Town Board is required to respond in 20 days after filing. Failure by the board to adopt the ordinance as crafted by the PI Ordinance Committee, will allow the Court to then force the issue into binding referendum on the 2022 spring election ballot. Further explanation was presented by Richard Phillips. It is expected that the town chair will propose an alternative to the ordinance at the next meeting of the Ordinance Committee. As no precedence has been set in deciding the efficacy of village powers held by a town within the State of Wisconsin, this becomes a “case of first impression.” f. Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ann questioned how many wake-boats are on lakes in PI. Several members described the number of boats on individual lakes and how they were used during the summer 2021. She will email a form to PITLC members for their count and comments. Ann would also like for Dean of Whitewater to comment on the possible destructive situations from his perception and knowledge of lakes studied in PI. 2. There’s been no further response from Atty. John Wagman, Weld Riley, S.C., who advised he was representing residents opposed to the ordinance for regulating hazardous wakes.
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<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Illegal disturbance within the protected shoreland buffer zone. Per Otto, someone has altered a shoreline on Oxbow Lake by dumping a couple of loads of sand into the lake. It was suggested by Chuck Hayes/VC Board, that a document, by PITLC, describing the situation, should go to the county board. Otto will begin with a rough draft prior to January meeting. Discussion ensued. b. Winter schedule: January 11, 2022; April 12, 2022. Motion by Carol Phillips to meet on these dates; 2nd by Jeff. Motion passed. c. Personal thanks: Nick thanked Ann for being our technical guru and also the minute takers, Judy and Jorja. Eric expressed thanks to our chairman, Nick, for the fine job he does! d. Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Per Nick, reports for 2018 grants and Carlin Lake will be available by Spring 2022 and no new grants are in the works for 2022 as our testing is all current at this time. 2. Per Gary Plouff, some residents on Twin Lakes/Little PI Lake (in Natural Lakes) are looking into use of chemical treatments on areas of concentrated vegetation. He was given Kevin Gauthier/DNR as a contact. Discussion ensued re permitting and the need for an Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APMP) prior to application for a permit for plant removal. Jeff Burke described Van Vliet Lake Association's past experiences in control of excessive water plants. 3. Proliferation of weeds and lake water clarity throughout the summer of 2021 was discussed.
<p>Next Meeting Adjourn</p>	<p>Zoom or PI Community Center @ 7 PM, January 11, 2022 Meeting adjourned by Nick Williams, Chair @ 8:12 PM</p>

Unapproved minutes.