

GENEVA LAKE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY (GLEA)

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Monthly Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, May 15, 2025 - 4:00 PM.
105 N Elkhorn Rd., Williams Bay, WI 53191.

MINUTES

The GLEA Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm, Thursday, May 15, 2025, by Vice Chair M.J. Fesenmaier.

Roll Call

Board Members/ Staff Present: R. Pappas (F), M.J. Fesenmaier (LG), J. Weiss & C. McAdam (L), R. Umans (WB), A. Rasch (W) (Via phone then in person), T. Jochman (Attorney), H. Baseman (Director), A. Townsend (Admin. Asst.).

Guest Present: None

Board Members/ Staff Absent: P. Kenny (F), L. Lundberg (WB).

General Business:

Public Comments

None.

1. **Motion to approve April 17, 2025 & April 22, 2025, board meeting minutes made by R. Pappas. Second by R. Umans. CU.**
2. **Monthly Review Items:**
 - a. **Motion to approve April 2025 Income Statement made by R. Umans. Second by J. Weiss. CU.**
 - b. **Motion to approve April 2025 Balance Sheet made by R. Umans. Second by J. Weiss. CU.**
 - c. Bookkeepers April 2025 Disbursement report was made available for review.
 - d. Bookkeepers April 2025 Donation report was made available for review.
 - e. Treasure report 2025 was reviewed.

Possible action on the following business.

1. **Blue-Green Algae Protocol Update**

Walworth County approved the updated protocol. **Motion made by R. Pappas to accept the Blue-Green Algae Protocol. Seconded by J. Weiss. M.J. Fesenmaier voted No, wanting to read the updated protocol.** Director to present the protocol at the next municipalities council meetings for approval by each board. Will also present E. coli Protocol at the same meetings. The Board asked to help get the Director on each municipality's agenda.
2. **Update on Staff**

H. Huss is currently working. M. Gerhard will start the second week in June. L. Madison & D. Splinter will start on 5/19/2025. Interviewing one other potential high school intern who is willing to work unpaid.
3. **Aquatic Plant Survey**

Motion by R. Umans to only monitor Starry Stonewort for 2025, no survey. Seconded by R. Pappas. CU.
4. **Fish Crib Updates**

GLEA is exempt from having to get permits to install the fish cribs. Looking to install eight to ten cribs.
5. **Microplastic Testing**

Wisconsin is just starting to do testing. GLEA will have conversations with labs across the state to see what kind of cost there is to this testing. In the meantime, GLEA will concentrate on educating about the topic.
6. **E. Coli Potocol Review**

Send board the E. Coli Protocol for review and vote.
7. **Farms & Phosphorus**

Walworth County stated drain tiles are not a conduit for phosphorus. The County has no say over what a private landowner can do. We will keep collecting data.
8. **Grants / Savings**

Applied for grants from EEF, and GLA. Received Go Outside Grant for \$300 for rental of boat for Fontana

Ecology Club. Speaking at Lions Club of Williams Bay and Fontana. The storage unit has been cleaned out and closed. Closed unneeded software accounts.

9. Newsletter Review.

Get costs to print in color. Print extras for handouts. Add a subscribe to newsletter on the website.

10. Lake Management Plan Entity Review

SEWERPAC made a chart listing the abilities of Lake Organizations and Abilities of Governmental Organizations. Will email to board for review for next board meeting.

11. Elections

R. Umans motioned to nominate P. Kenny for Chair. Seconded by J. Weiss. CU.

R. Umans motioned to nominate M.J. Fesenmaier for Vice Chair. Seconded by R. Pappas. CU.

J. Weiss motioned to nominate R. Umans for Treasurer. Seconded by A. Rasch. CU.

12. Training for Clean Boats, Clean Waters

Have luncheon after training with launch personnel. Share the Blue-Green Algae Protocol.

13. Municipalities Updates and Reports

a) **City of Lake Geneva** – DNR updated launch fees. Lagoon Seawall is under construction. Dredging on hold.

b) **Village of Williams Bay** – No updates.

c) **Village of Fontana** – talk about sidewalk/boardwalk through The Fen.

d) **Town of Linn** – No updates.

e) **Town of Walworth** -- No updates.

14. Next Meeting Date

a) June 19, 2025, 4:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 5:28 p.m. by J. Weiss. Second, by A. Rasch. CU.

Dated May 21, 2025. Upon approval, posted at the GLEA office and website <https://www.gleawi.org/>.
These minutes were recorded and transcribed by H. Baseman, Director and A. Townsend, Admin. Asst.

Approved 06/26/2025