

# Minutes FOR LAKE COMMITTEE

A Lake Committee was held on **Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 5:00 PM** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 819 Superior Avenue, Tomah, WI.

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## Call to Order / Roll Call

The Lake Committee met in regular session on Thursday, September 15, 2022, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Kiefer at 5:02 PM. Roll call was taken with Commissioners, Lamont Kiefer, John Rusch, Kim Mello, Hal Burnham, Duane Chapman, and Kevin Arkeketa present. Absent was Lee Lang. Also present, Director Kirk Arity, Warden Patrick Seybert, Kirk Olson and Jodi Lepsch.

## Approve Minutes

Motion made by Burnham, second by Chapman to approve minutes from previous meeting. All ayes. Motion passed.

## 2022 Fish Report - Kirk Olson DNR

Kirk Olson from DNR completed fish assessment for 2022. Lake Tomah is in top 1 percentile for mean length of Northern Pike, top 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for Largemouth Bass, top 1 percentile for Bluegill, top 10<sup>th</sup> percentile for Yellow Perch, and top 25<sup>th</sup> percentile for Black Crappie compared to other lakes similar to Lake Tomah. Kirk Olson said he was impressed with the Largemouth Bass population in Lake Tomah. He noted that he did not see any Carp and did catch some Catfish. Final report will be completed in Spring 2023.

## 2022 Weed Survey Results & Discussion - Jodi Lepsch DNR

Jodi Lepsch from DNR reviewed and interpreted Golden Sands Weed Survey Results. The results show 15 different weeds with a maximum rooting depth of 5.5 feet. A weed survey wasn't conducted in 2021 so results cannot be compared to last year.

## Monitoring Water Quality at Inlets

Analyzing water shed data that was collected throughout the year in winter months.

## Warden Update

Warden Seybert estimated around 10 geese was taken in the early hunting season. One of those were banded.

## Adaptive Management

No update.

## Winnebago Park Phase I

Waiting for the docks to go in and observation deck to be started.

## Lake Informational Sign Boards

New boards have arrived and are on list to be installed.

## Boat Dock Approvals

No boat dock approvals. Ordinance for boat docks will be reviewed for kayak ramps and personal water craft lifts.

**Climate Change Task Force Update**

No updates.

**Chairman Updates**

4 dozen plants/flowers have been planted in each circle along the walking path.

**Future Meeting Date - November 17, 2022**

**Adjourn**

Motion made by Burnham, second by Mello to adjourn at 7:02 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting minutes to be approved on: November 17, 2022