



Lakes Advisory Committee Meeting

Cravath Lakefront Room, 2nd Floor, 312 W.
Whitewater St., Whitewater WI 53190

Wednesday, October 07, 2026 - 4:00 PM

Citizens are welcome (and encouraged) to join our webinar via computer, smart phone, or telephone.
Citizen participation is welcome during topic discussion periods.

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Please note that although every effort will be made to provide for virtual participation, unforeseen technical difficulties may prevent this, in which case the meeting may still proceed as long as there is a quorum. Should you wish to make a comment in this situation, you are welcome to call this number: (262) 473-0108.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A committee member can choose to remove an item from the agenda or rearrange its order; however, introducing new items to the agenda is not allowed. Any proposed changes require a motion, a second, and approval from the Committee to be implemented. The agenda shall be approved at each meeting even if no changes are being made at that meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda will be approved together unless any committee member requests that an item be removed for individual consideration.

1. Lakes Advisory Committee Minutes July 22, 2026

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

No formal Committee action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Committee discusses that particular item.

To make a comment during this period, or during any agenda item: On a computer or handheld device, locate the controls on your computer to raise your hand. You may need to move your mouse to see these controls. On a traditional telephone, dial *6 to unmute your phone and dial *9 to raise your hand.

STAFF REPORT

2. Lakes Staff Report

CONSIDERATIONS / DISCUSSIONS / REPORTS

3. Direction of Lakes Advisory Committee Discussion
4. 2027 Lakes Projects Discussion

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

A quorum of the Common Council may be present. This notice is given to inform the public that no formal action will be taken at this meeting.

Anyone requiring special arrangements is asked to call the Office of the City Manager / City Clerk (262-473-0102) at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.



Lakes Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 22, 2025 – 4:00 pm
Cravath Lakefront Room
312 W. Whitewater Street
Whitewater, WI 53190
Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Kurt Zip, Orin Artsmith, Mark Dorn, Carol McCormick, and Ginny Coburn

Absent: Geoff Hale and Gayle Stettler

Staff: Michelle Dujardin

Guests: None

2. Approval of Agenda

Orin Artsmith moved to approve agenda. Seconded by Mark Dorn. Ayes: Kurt Zip, Orin Smith, Carol McCormick, Mark Dorn, and Ginny Coburn . Absent: Geoff Hale and Gayle Stettler

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Carol McCormick moved to approve consent agenda; Lakes Advisory Committee Minutes April 29, 2026, seconded by Orin Artsmith: Ayes: Kurt Zip, Orin Smith, Carol McCormick, Mark Dorn, and Ginny Coburn . Absent: Geoff Hale and Gayle Stettler

4. Hearing of Citizen Comments

Kevin Green: Gave Kuddos to the committee and reminded the board that what happens in the lakes comes down stream and affects folks down the creek.

5. Staff Report

Dujardin reported on fun things happening with the lakes: Cravath and Trippe Lake Piers look fantastic, Spring Fish Stocking took place, DNR Fish Survey took place, Cravath Lake Fountain was installed, New Survey done by SEWRPC of updates on the cattail and shoreline, and No cattail pulling competition due to lack of cattail.

6. Considerations/Discussions/Reports

a. Lake Improvements Discussion: Muck, Cattails, and Carp.

Kurt Zipp presented item and encouraged more focus on amount of muck in our lakes, cattail areas and amount of carp in the lakes affecting water quality.

b. Discussion and possible action of Preliminary Recommendations for the Comprehensive Cravath and Trippe Lakes Plan being completed by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC)

Dujardin introduced working document from SEWRPC to gather information from Lakes Committee to rate importance of topics on the lakes for SEWRPC to move forward with the Comprehensive Plan.

7. Future Agenda Items

- a. Carp & Water Quality
- b. QR Code Possibilities to gather feedback

8. Adjournment

- a. Motioned by Zipp to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote. Adjournment at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Dujardin

City of Whitewater's Treasures: Cravath & Trippe Lakes

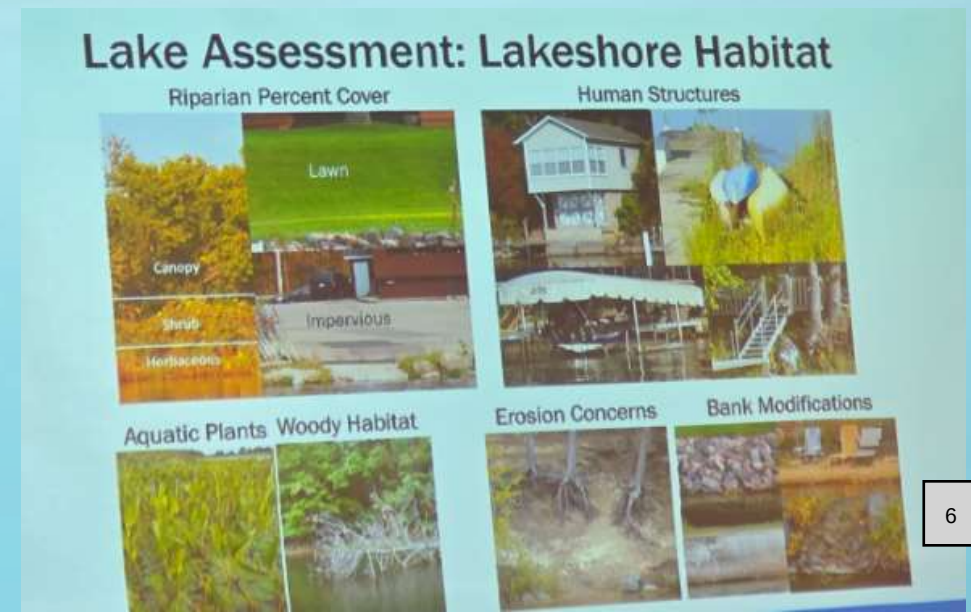
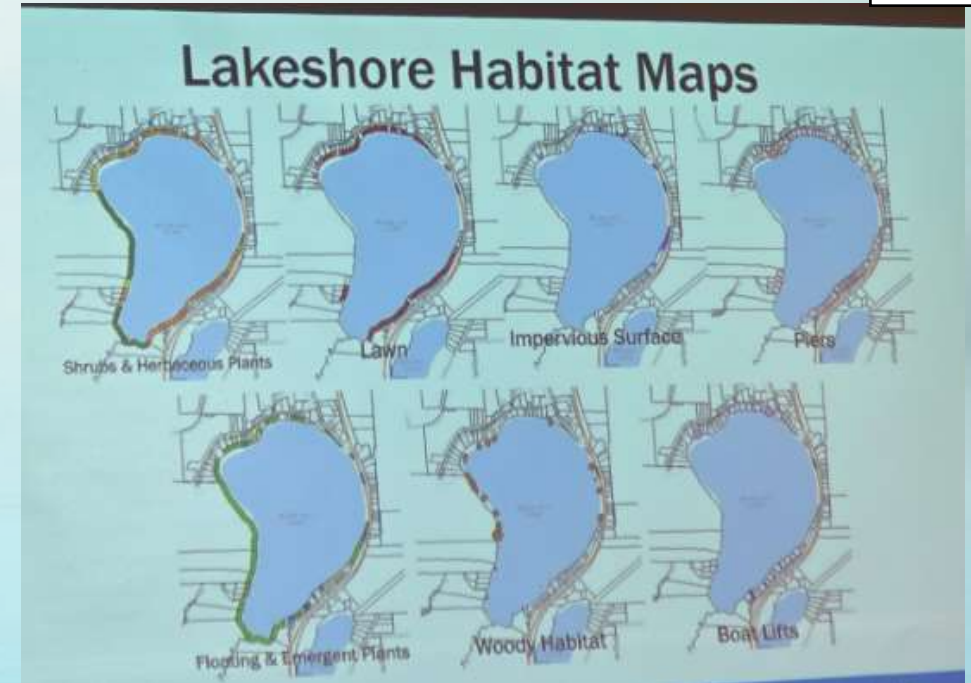


Presentations to UWW Class 9/15 & 9/22

Helpful Information for the Future- Given to UWW Class as Ideas

Item 2.

- Physical: Water Temperature, Habitats, and Secchi Data
- Biological: Alga, Aquatic Plants, Fish Survey, AIS
- Chemical: Water Chemistry, Chlorophyll, Dissolved Oxygen
- Watershed input data: Flow data, Phosphorus and Sediment entering from lakes from stormwater, Tributaries, agricultural runoff, and shoreline erosion.
- Recreation & Program Opportunities for the community of all ages and abilities



Stormwater Clean Up Day at Cravath & Story Book Walk Along Cravath

Item 2.



STORY BOOK WALK



CRAVATH LAKEFRONT PARK
NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2026

Other Things Happening

Item 2.

- Cravath Fountain to be removed, cleaned & Stored week of Oct 19th
- Cravath & Trippe Lake Pier tops to be secured down by Summerset asap
- Fall Fish Stocking
 - Northern Pike –Large Fingerling: 11 Each Lake
 - Black Crappie- Yearling: 500 Each Lake
- DNR Fish Survey Results



Upcoming Lake Event & Park Possibility



Idea: Create Fisherman’s Park at Old Irish Building Location

MOONLIGHT

on Cravath

A COMMUNITY PADDLE



SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 24, 2026



CHECK-IN: 5:15 PM
PADDLE: 5:30-7:00 PM



CRAVATH LAKEFRONT PARK
341 S. FREMONT STREET WHITEWATER, WI



BRING YOUR OWN KAYAK / CANOE
A limited number of canoes will be available!



LIFE JACKETS ARE REQUIRED
Glow sticks & boat lights are encouraged!



FREE EVENT
Pre-registration is required!



City of
WHITEWATER
Parks & Recreation



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The Differences We Have Made



Heavy Cattail Growth After Drawdown



That same location today

What we are working on today and some accomplishments to be proud of!

- Creation of Lakes Advisory Committee
- New ADA Piers at Cravath & Trippe Lake
- Community Engagement Activities
- Kayak Launches
- New Kiosks



Current Important Topics

Item 2.

- Shoreline Restoration (Ribbon of Life)
- Comprehensive Lake Plan with SEWRPC
- Carp & Water Quality
- Fish Sticks?
- [Fish Sticks Underwater Habitat Footage - Waupaca Chain of Lakes May 2026](#)
- [Underwater Aquatic Plant Tour](#)
- Importance of Lilly Pads in breaking up waves to help shoreline
- [lily pads wave](#)
- 2027 Projects

