



**Watchic Lake Association
Board of Directors' Meeting Summary
November 30 2023 via Zoom**

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Paul McNulty. A quorum was established with 11 directors present. Minutes of the September 26, 2023, meeting were approved by consent. Agnes read the **treasures report** and as agreed at our last meeting, moved most funds to a higher yield (5.39%) account.

David noted that DEP is making new **“clean, drain and dry” boat inspection signs**, and providing them at no charge. David has contacted DEP to order some.

To **reduce the risk of invasive infestation**, Stephanie has identified rental properties on the lake where we should focus our “clean, drain and dry” messaging. The board agreed it would be good to bring together these property owners for an informal gathering to learn from each other and also to encourage them to encourage renters clean their watercraft and fishing gear. Next step is to contact noted renters.

Rt 113 Runoff Remediation System. The contractor was delayed and the WLA board agreed with the property owner, Debby Oddy that she can make the noted repairs to the culver intake based on plans from CCSW. WLA will reimburse Debby for the needed materials.

David and Stephanie noted the **Cyanobacteria** is naturally in the lake, but additional phosphorus coming into the lake from runoff (especially when phosphorus-based fertilizer used), increase Cyanobacteria blooms. A meeting with DEP has been set up to get their advice on education and possible sources.

Travis asked how DEP felt about **paving camp roads**, as some road associations have asked about this. Travis contacted DEP and together they evaluated the roads. DEP will provide rough plans and associated costs, and advise on fit within a DEP section 319 grant.

Membership: Paul noted that we have 165 members at 106 properties as of September 26, one of our highest counts.

Dam Building Maintenance is being managed by Owen who reported that staining is complete, Still need to install no trespassing signs.

Rob has interviewed board members to develop plans to identify board needs and potential officer candidates. Many current board members term out in 2024. Rob will bring **succession plan** recommendations to a 2024 board meeting,

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.