

DONNELL LAKE
CONSERVATION CLUB
MINUTES 4/12/25
9:00 am

Members Present: Gerri Sly, Doug Hertel, Jeff Corey, Gina Bergstrom, Lori Allen, Kim Barnbrook, Pat Frame, Sue Golden, Garrett Libertowski, Dave Louthan,
Via Remote Call: Kevin Cartwright, Jean Olson

Members Absent:

Also Present: Jim Barnbrook, Dave Bergstrom, Lauren Hertel, Miriam Cartwright, Cory Sly, Margaret & John McDonnell, Kelly & Jeremy Wassner, Mike & Mary Shoenborn

Called to order the regular meeting of Donnell Lake Conservation Club

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of 11/2/24 were approved.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda for this meeting was approved.

OPEN ISSUES

Upcoming Events

1. Spring clean-up for the club and grounds will be held May 10th following the DLCC meeting.
2. Pancake Breakfast Sunday May 25th 8am-12noon - Sue Golden is coordinating product orders and volunteers. We discussed pre-sale tickets but did not make a decision.
3. Swim lesson sign-ups – Miriam Cartwright said the lessons will be open to lake residents and their families. The YMCA will have a liability waiver form to fill out. The club will not have any liability. Gerri will send an email out informing residents of the lesson information. June 30-July 3. The club may possibly reimburse attendees based on sign-up.

Clubhouse Maintenance Updates – Dave Bergstrom

We don't have a contract with Aardvark Pest Control (David Klima) because they are offering their services for free. (Except for outdoor spraying)

He will create a vendor list for building maintenance issues.

Dave has built a closet on the stage and refined the railing across the stage. Eric (?) is constructing a gate across the basement entrance.

Dave will make a list of clean-up chores that need to be done May 10th.

Dave will ask Jim Baker to check the coolers and check freon in the A/C.

The new electric pole has been erected.

We approved \$400 for closet and railing. Dave will purchase three floor mats (\$100) for the kitchen and six 6 foot tables for auction items (\$100).

Sponsorship/Donations Committee – Gerri Sly

Gerri has sent out letters to area businesses for sponsorship. Sponsorships will be accepted until May 15th in order to have any advertising agreements met by Memorial Day.

Update on A/V Equipment – Doug Hertel

Doug gave us information on two smart TV's to be purchased for the bar area and installed on the outside wall. We may also purchase a large TV for outdoor movie nights. Doug showed us an option for an inflatable screen or a more permanent one. A lake resident has also volunteered a screen. The amount approved for these purchases is \$1,100-\$1,500.

Doug will look into purchasing a cabinet for A/V equipment (\$500).

Fiber Optic Internet Installation – Gerri Sly

The fiber optic line has been dropped from the service pole. The line will be run to the building in two weeks. Then we can request service activation.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

Landscaping – Gina Bergstrom and Kim Barnbrook

Gerri will ask her neighbor, Katy, to give us a landscaping plan.

Gina will look into edging around the rocks and sails for the porch.

Kevin will spray the weeds.

Youth Extension – Lauren Hertel, Lori Allen and Garrett Libertowski

No updates at this time.

Rentals – Lauren Hertel

The club has been rented for 7/19-Kerchner wedding and 9/13-Corey reception.

Volunteer Coordination Process

Lori Allen will contact Jody Papandrea to see if she is interested in doing this.

Financial Update – Jeff Corey

Jeff noted that we have received 61 mail-in applications so far with receipts of \$10,737. Four PayPal donations of \$730 have been received.

2025 membership donations to date:

Dues	\$1,500
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Capital Improvements	\$1,303
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Fireworks	\$6,868
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Fish Stocking	\$ 915
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DLCC balances in the bank:

Operating Fund	\$ 8,802
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Capital Improvements	\$11,303
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Fireworks	\$10,638
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Fish Stocking	\$ 915
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Raffle	<u>\$28,621</u>
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Total:	\$60,279
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NEW BUSINESS

Board Resignations/Changes

Sheila Witous has resigned from the board.

Tammy Wilson (past president) is moving. She was a second signer for the DLCC check book. Doug Hertel agreed to be the second signer.

Jeff Corey is stepping down as the Treasurer and we need to find a replacement by the end of the season.

New Software Purchase

Jeff purchased an online version of Quickbooks. The monthly fee for the first year is \$367.50 and \$420 per year thereafter. It can be cancelled at any time. The antiquated desktop version needed to be replaced.

MLSA Conference

Jeff Corey and Jim Barnbrook will attend the MLSA conference April 24-26. This will help maintain DLCC focus on lake conservation. The topic this year is shoreline conservation.

Fish Restocking – Jeff Corey

The club has stocked walleye every other year and perch on the off year. Jeff would like to order the walleye for about \$4,000. Jeff will talk to Matt Diana from the DNR. We should be getting our fish survey report soon.

Use of Clubhouse

Melody Buzalski has requested to use the club for line dancing lessons. The fee would be \$7 for members and \$10 for non-members. She would like to schedule Tuesday evenings two times per month. She will clean up afterwards. The club decided not to take a cut of the proceeds. Someone has requested to have a yoga class. No other information is available at this time. The board agreed to these requests.

Attendance

The board voted to revise the bylaws (Article 4; Section 7) to state that a board member will be removed from the board if he/she misses three meetings without previously informing the president. (The previous statement read three consecutive meetings) We want all board members to be active and participating.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- NON-BOARD MEMBERS

Miriam noted that they have a sail at their house. The company is Sunsetter.
Lauren spoke with Todd Hess about recycling at the club.
Also, the membership forms should have more lines for extra activities.

DLCC BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Doug request funds to repair the flag pole in front of the club and purchase a U.S. Flag and have a flag made with our club logo. Cost to be determined. All agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 am.