

West Lakes Association Annual Fall Meeting 2025

August 23, 2025, Meeting Started 10:03 a.m.

Introduction – Jean Thomas

- Stop Log conversation
 - Someone removed without permission and did not store properly
 - If see someone handling the stop logs, take a picture and send it to Jean.
Only the Stop Log crew, headed by Ken, should be doing it
 - Looking into putting a trail cam to capture the area. Working to get DNR to do this.
 - There's a \$1000 fine and possible jail time for this offense

Secretary's Report

- Motion to accept the June 2025 Meeting Minutes - Approved

Treasurer's Report – Rosie Risser See Report from Rosie

Old Business

Update on the Conservancy District – Randy Mull

- Randy's presentation – shared background, purpose of Conservancy, and update on where we are with the petition process
 - Current Progress –
 - “On Lake”
 - 49.83% of Freeholders have signed. 30% required
 - Value - \$40,683,500 or 55%. 51% required
 - “All Areas”
 - 39.53% of Freeholders have signed, required to have 30%
 - Value – Have \$44,544,500. Need \$5,589,061 more
 - Encourage everyone to sign – the more signatures, the bigger the area, may reduce what each freeholder pays and may enable us to expand the area
 - Next Steps
 - Complete the petition signature process
 - Submit to the court – 3 hearings
 - Timeframe – about 1 year+ to get it put into place. Won't see it on our taxes for another 2-3 years
 - If you're in favor of the Conservancy, we encourage you to attend the court hearings to offer support

- Ways to Help
 - Sign the petition
 - Talk to your neighbors and encourage them to sign
- The Conservancy doesn't affect hunting, fishing, or boating on the lake

New Business – Jean Thomas

- Removing Buoys – No later than Oct 15
 - Remove boat lifts no later than Oct 15
- Incident on Tamarack Lake – person on a wave runner speeding on the lake. Contact Jean if you know who it was. Reminder that this is very unsafe in a 10-mph zone
- Suggestion – between hours of 10:00 and 5:00 on main basin – not advisable to swim, fish, float in the main basin of Waldron
- Sand Bar – water testing – this area was close to unsafe limits of E-coli, especially right after a rainstorm. This dissipates quickly moving out from the ditch
- Thanks to West Lakes Marine for hosting the meeting
- Holiday Craft Fair – November 15 – at Vineyard Church. Table reservation available at the meeting and on West Lakes Facebook page
- 2025 Election of Officers
 - Vice President – Randy Mull
 - Treasurer – Rosie Risser
 - Waldron Lake Co-director – Becky Heidenreich
 - Steinbarger Lake Director – Jane Silver

50/50 – Jane Silver

Adjournment – 11:07 a.m.

Potluck