



Lakes Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 29, 2026 – 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, Geoff Hale, Gayle Stettler, Carol McCormick, and Ginny Coburn

Absent: Mark Dorn and Orin Smith

Staff: Michelle Dujardin

Guests: Becky Magestro

2. Approval of Agenda

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

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Carol McCormick moved to approve consent agenda; Lakes Advisory Committee Minutes February 25, 2026, seconded by Geoff Hale: Ayes: Kurt Zipp, Geoff Hale, Gayle Stettler, Carol McCormick, and Ginny Coburn. Absent: Mark Dorn and Orin Smith

4. Hearing of Citizen Comments

No Citizens Comments

5. Staff Report

Dujardin reported on fun things happening with the lakes: Attended Lakes & Rivers Conference, Larger presence on social media on lakes, swans are out early at Cravath Lake, Fish stocking permits are in, fish stocking dates to be determined, Walton removed cattails that went downstream near the skatepark, drone pictures shared from March 22nd & April 13th, heavy rain photos, Cravath Lakefront Fountain update, cattail pulling competition possible locations, harvesting permit for APM listed location has been approved by DNR, and free fishing weekend coming up.

6. Considerations/Discussions/Reports

a. Discussion and possible action for appointment of Mark Dorn to the Lakes Advisory Committee

Dujardin presented item and application. Carol McCormick moved to approve Mark Dorn to the Lakes Advisory Committee, seconded by Geoff Hale: Ayes: Kurt Zipp, Geoff Hale, Gayle Stettler, Carol McCormick, and Ginny Coburn. Absent: Mark Dorn and Orin Smith

7. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Geoff Hale moved to elect Kurt Zipp as Chair of the Lakes Advisory Committee, seconded by Carol McCormick: Ayes: Geoff Hale, Gayle Stettler, Carol McCormick, and Ginny Coburn. Absent: Mark Dorn and Orin Smith. Abstain: Kurt Zipp

Geoff Hale moved to elect Carol McCormick as Vice Chair of the Lakes Advisory Committee, seconded by Ginny Coburn: Ayes: Geoff Hale, Gayle Stettler, Kurt Zipp, , and Ginny Coburn. Absent: Mark Dorn and Orin Smith. Abstain: Carol McCormick

8. Discussion and possible action on Lakes Advisory Committee Role

Dujardin referred to Ordinance No. 2072. An Ordinance Creating Chapter 2.73 Lake Advisory Committee.

9. Discussion and possible action on immediate plan for maintaining and improving water quality and carp impact

Zipp asked if we can find a private company come do a fish survey.

Suggestion was given to contact Koshkong on who they use for harvesting.

Carp bounty program suggested

10. Discussion and possible action of 2024 Goals Review and Future Goal Setting

Goals Suggested:

- Carp Removal
- Lake District Creation- Zipp suggested creating own targeted map, Hale suggested try once a year
- Once or twice a year education session
- Water Shed Importance
- Collaboration with Stormwater (Run off education)
- Trippe Lake Swimming Hole
- Collaboration with UWW (Biology Department, "what can we do to help each other", Amphibians Department,
- Report to Council what we have done
- Fish Stocking

11. Future Agenda Items

- a. Railing safety along Dam at Main Street

12. Adjournment

- a. Motioned by Zipp to adjourn. Unanimous voice vote. Adjournment at 5:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Dujardin