

McGinnis Lake District Meeting
August 30, 2025

Committee members present: Barry Berndsen, Chuck Kotlowski, Jerry Poehler, Ken Roberts and Dave Busse.

District members present: Rick Schuster, Dick Schuster, Melissa and John Mini, Don and Sue Hermanson, Dave and Lisa Presser, Mike Lenzion, Rich Brown, Mike and Lori Riese, Susan Selbo, Ed Wagner, Gene and Sue Buth, Nina and Brandon Ristow and Bryan Anderson.

2025 Budget Presentation

The 2026 budget of \$48,150.00 for the McGinnis Lake District was presented by Ken Roberts. The proposed budget revenues consisted of a tax levy of \$37,713.00. Total revenues expected is \$48,149.57. Total administration of \$2,250.00 (Lake District insurance cost of \$1,000.00, Lake Alliance membership of \$125.00. Supplies, postage, mailing, etc \$1,000.00 and PO box rental \$125.00). Total lake management of \$43,900.00. Permitting of lake weed control (chemical spraying) \$28,000.00, lake weed control (weed harvesting) \$6,000.00. Lake survey \$8,000.00. Easement for aerator maintenance \$1,000.00. With a contingency fund of \$2,000.00. The proposed budget for expenditures is \$48,150.00. The books for the 2025 year are up to date. Approval for the 2026 budget will occur later at the annual meeting.

Lake District Annual Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

The minutes of the August 31, 2024 meeting were passed out during the Annual meeting. A motion was made by Mike Riese and seconded by Mike Lenzion to accept the minutes as read. The motion passed.

Ken Roberts read the Treasurer's Report. The beginning cash balance was \$27,353.37. The Total Cash Inflows consisted of a Tax balance for the Lake District levy of \$6,209.13. Cash Outflows were postage and supplies \$88.23, PO box fee of \$100.00. Aquatic plant and Habitat Services (survey) \$3,780.00. Aquatic Plant Mgt (DASH) \$13,057.70, Wenninger Weed Harvesting \$6000.00 and Kwik Trip (Volunteer Thank You) \$100.00. Total Cash Outflows were \$23,125.93. The August 30, 2025 Cash Balance was \$10,436.57. A motion was made by Mike Lenzion and seconded by Rich Brown to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion carried.

Old Business

A. Review of Lake Management activities.

1. Removal of lily pads were discussed and explained as to what lake members are able to do legally for control according to the DNR.

2. Lake weed treatment was explained and the reasons/necessity for getting permits, chemical treatment, etc.

New Business

1. Election for Lake District Chairman- Barry Berndsen. Nina Ristow made a motion to elect Barry Berndsen, the motion was seconded by Mike Lenzion. The motion to elect Barry Berndsen Chairman passed.
2. Mike Riese made a motion to accept the proposed 2026 budget, it was seconded by Don Hermanson. The motion carried.
3. Open discussion.
 - A. Boat landing gravel: We are in the process of getting a permit so the County can level the boat launch. Jerry Poehler will look into the possibility of a concrete landing for the boat launch.
 - B. Looking for a volunteer to post signs for property owners on the lake prior to chemical weed treatment in 2026.
 - C. Floating dock: A 10' floating dock has been donated and will be placed at the boat landing.
 - D. Campers on properties: There was a discussion about campers on properties and what is legal. Jerry Poehler who is on the County Planning and Zoning committee told us that only 2 campers are the limit and can be on any sized property in the township.
 - E. Lure drawing: Brandon Ristow won the fishing lure donated by Lewies Unlimited in Adams.

Don Hermanson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mike Riese. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am.

Respectively submitted by Dave Busse, Secretary.