

**FRIENDS OF THE EAU CLAIRE LAKES AREA**  
Board of Directors Meeting at the Barnes Town Hall  
July 8, 2022

**Members Present:** Kevin Shriver, Jim Bakken, Denny Scharlemann, Lee Wiesner, Katherine Stewart, Jeri McGinley, Marianne Paker, Mike Milliken, Marty Olson  
**Excused Absent:** Anne Torrey, Wayne Kolberg, Cris Neff

**Call to Order:** President Kevin Shriver called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

**Minutes:** Shriver presented the minutes of the June 10, 2022 meeting for approval. Motion by Wiesner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stewart to approve the afore mentioned meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** McGinley provided the Treasurer's report for May, accepted by consensus.

### **Standing committee reports:**

#### **Executive Committee:**

Mooney Dam County Park and proposed Town of Barnes campground with the following updates:

- Shriver reported that additional information on the Town of Barnes campground is needed to make an accurate evaluation of the proposed campground.
- Discussion regarding the request by the citizen's group for support of their objections over the proposal to expand Mooney Dam County Park by 19 camping sites and moving the boat landing. Motion by Shriver to author a letter communicating FOECLA's concerns over specific issues, consistent with FOECLA's mission, in the proposed Mooney Park campground changes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson, motion carried.

#### **Water Quality:**

Wiesner provided an update on BAISS Boat operations on Upper and Middle Eau Claire Lakes as well as the discovery of curly-leaf pondweed near Clearwater resort. DNR permits will be needed to mechanically remove curly-leaf pondweed in Lower Eau Claire Lake.

#### **Membership/Outreach**

McGinley presented a draft agenda and PowerPoint slides for the annual meeting. Shriver and Kolberg are on the ballot for renewed board positions, and Martin and Wilbers are on the ballot as new board members. This will be voted on by FOECLA membership at the July 16 annual meeting. Motion by Scharlemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wiesner to approve the ballot as proposed, motion carried.

#### **Education**

On June 25, the Boating Safety event was held at Tomahawk Park. Rain fell up until 10:00 when the program started. Milliken expressed disappointment in attendance due to poor weather, lack of public interest and minimal advertising. DNR wardens Peters and Katelyn Juza provided a summary of boating laws and answered questions from the audience.

The annual meeting of FOECLA will be held July 16 at the Town Hall. Andrew Wilcox, Forester, is the featured speaker; he will speak on oak wilt.

**Next meeting:** July 16, after the Annual Meeting at the Barnes Town Hall the board will assemble for a short meeting to elect officers for the 2022/2023 term.

**Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM to accommodate registration setup for the Vatten Paddlar.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Bakken, Secretary