

Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting
March 31, 2026, 6:30pm*
Wyoming United Methodist Church
5459 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming, MN 55092
Minutes

President Mike Crepeau called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm

Members present:

Mike Crepeau
Dick Berglund
Sharon Sill
Dave Freemore
Tom Hobday
Chris Roche
Christine
Wawrzaszek
Reid Larson

Members Absent:

Mike Motzko

Guests:

Ted Hansen
Jackie Anderson (CLFLWD Liaison)

Approval of the Agenda: Dave moved to approve the agenda; Christine seconded. Agenda was approved.

Secretary's Report: Sharon had emailed minutes from the March 2026 meeting, for review prior to tonight. Mike C. moved to approve the March Minutes; Tom seconded. The March Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Dick had emailed the Treasurer's Report dated March 31, 2026, to members prior to the meeting.

As of March 31, 2026, our finances are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 13,693.38
Fish Stocking Fund	\$ 2,400.00
Invasive Species Fund	\$ 595.00
TOTAL	\$ 16,688.38

As of March 31, 2026, our membership status and comparisons are as follows:

2022 Paid Membership	66 (year-end)
2023 Paid Membership	49 (year-end)
2024 Paid Membership	32 (year-end)
2025 Paid Membership	37 (year-end)
2026 Paid Membership.	19 (3/31/2026)

Mike C. moved to approve the Treasurer's report; Dave seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

- Dick requested approval to renew our annual membership to the MN Lakes and Rivers Association at a cost of \$125. Mike C. moved to renew the membership; Dave seconded. Motion passed.

Agenda Items:

- **Monthly CLA Meeting, quorum requirement:**

Mike C. pointed out that the Bylaws require "a quorum (50%) of the majority of the Board members is required to conduct business, including any matter requiring a vote." Because of the futility of conducting business without a quorum Mike C. stated that unless a quorum of Board members is able to attend any given meeting, that monthly meeting will not be held.

- **New Board member onboarding process:**

It was discussed that no clear process is set out in the current Bylaws for adding new Board members. This issue is addressed in the revised Bylaws to be presented at the April annual meeting.

Ted Hansen was present as a guest and shoreland owner of Big Comfort Lake. Ted introduced himself, explained his interest of serving on the Board and his involvement in many community activities that impact our lake. Dick moved to make Ted a member of the Board. Christine seconded. The motion passed unanimously. All members welcomed Ted and expressed gratitude for his interest and enthusiasm.

- **The Bylaws changes:**

The Bylaws committee (Dick, Dave and Sharon) had sent recommended changes to Board members, which had been approved. It was decided to send a red-lined copy and a final draft to CLA members prior to the Annual Meeting, so members are aware of the changes ahead of the meeting. Mike C. will email those drafts the week of April 6.

- **Hwy 8/Watershed/Chisago County/Lakeshore Owners – Meeting:**

Mike C. had not been successful getting Joe Triplett of Chisago County to meet with these groups. Joe said there had already been enough meetings for people to get information. He said people could send him questions via email:

Joe.Triplett@chisagocountymn.gov

The Board felt a meeting would still be beneficial. Jackie agreed to take over trying to make a meeting happen – possibly this summer. Right now, construction on Hwy 8 is set to start in Spring 2027.

- **Annual Membership Drive/ Meeting :**

The 2026 membership letter, containing information on the annual meeting (April 23), will be emailed to members on April 1; and it will be distributed via mailbox hangers on April 9 along with a flyer giving information on the July 4, 2026, Boat Parade. A second email announcing the annual meeting will go out a week before the annual meeting. A significant number, if not the majority of members, often renew their membership at the annual meeting.

- **Annual Meeting Agenda:**

The Annual meeting agenda was finalized. There will be three speakers from the watershed. Mike C. will touch base with them before the meeting. These are topics we would like touched on:

Milfoil/Curly Pond Weed treatment/Carp Counting-Tracking-Removal/Bio-Based Mapping (sonar can pick up masses of weeds)/announce Comfort Lake projects for 2026 and over next 3-4 years/Comfort Lake's \$1,200 reimbursable grant.

- **Fish Stocking:**

Mike M. has ordered \$2,000 of Walleyes and \$2,000 of Sun Fish. Among the added benefits of sun fish are that they eat zebra mussels and carp eggs. There is no date yet for stocking, but it will be some time in the spring.

- **Delisting of Comfort Lake:**

This is still a tentative happening.

- **Other Business:**

Boat Parade: This is no longer under the umbrella of the CLA but rather run by a special committee. Melanie Torborg is the contact (612-799-3398/melanie.torborg@gmail.com).

The committee will announce the Boat Parade at the annual meeting and ask for judges.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Next Board Meeting:

May 7, 2026, 6:30 pm

Wyoming Methodist Church

*(Due to Holy Week, April meeting was held on Tuesday 3/31 rather than Thursday 4/1)