Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting August 7, 2025, 6:30pm

Wyoming United Methodist Church 5459 E Viking Blvd Wyoming, MN 55092

Minutes

President Mike Crepeau called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm

Members present: Mike Crepeau Sharon Sill Chris Roche Dick Berglund Christine Wawrzaszek

Mike Motzko

Members Absent:

Bill Keilty Jackie Anderson Dave Freemore Tom Hobday

Guests:

None

Approval of the Agenda: Chris moved to approve the agenda after an addition; Christine seconded. Agenda was approved.

Secretary's Report: Sharon had submitted minutes from the June 3, 2025, for review prior to the meeting. Christine moved to approve the June Minutes; Chris seconded. The June Minutes were approved. (There was no meeting in July, 2025)

Treasure's Report: Dick had emailed the Treasurer's Report dated August 7, 2025, to members prior to the meeting.

As of August 7, 2025, our finances are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 1	12,354.08
Fish Stocking Fund	\$	100.00
Invasive Species Control & Prevention	\$	495.00
TOTAL	\$	12,949.08

As of August 7, 2025 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.	36

Chris moved to approve the Treasurer's report; Christine seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

Agenda Items:

- Fourth of July Boat Parade Recap All felt the parade had been a success even though there were not a lot of entries. The entries were very good and people watching were enthusiastic. All board members were greatly appreciative of the work the Boat Parade committee put in to ensuring this tradition continues. Christine will post pictures of the parade on our Facebook page and Friends of Comfort Lake.
- U of M Zebra Mussel Study The study is ongoing with the plates hanging from docks around the lake.
- MN DNR Creel Study. The DNR is talking to residents of the lake and people coming in through the landing asking questions about their fishing experience on Comfort such as are they happy with their fishing experience? What are they catching? What fish would they like to see more of? Etc.

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 - These questions all go to stocking fish in Comfort. Mike C. commented that he believes our lake is "fished out' and needs to be stocked again. The DNR representative has stated he doesn't believe the environment of Comfort supports Walleye however we

question whether the Walleye are being fished and removed too young to grow and reproduce.

- **High Water --- No Wake** Mike C. state he gets calls often asking if there is a "no wake" in place. The protocol is that the Chisago County Environmental branch monitors the lake level daily and if the lake level goes over the OHW for three consecutive days, the Sheriff is notified and posts a notice by the landing. We need to educate members as to how they can follow the lake level via the electronic water monitoring which is updated every 12 hours on the CLFLWD website. To help with this, Mike C. will post a link on the Comfort Lake website and our Facebook page.
- U of MN Wake Boat Study Part II Completed. The CLA Board does not plan to take any action regarding wake boats on Comfort. We understand Chisago County and the CLFLWD might be looking into restrictions regarding it. One county in northern MN has banned wake boats from all lakes in that county. Mike C. will post a link to Part II of the study on our website and our Facebook page.
- Curly Leaf Pondweed and Milfoil. Both of these continue to be at issue. This year especially Curly Leaf has been pervasive around much of our lakeshore. We are disappointed Blue Water Science felt that Comfort did not need to be treated for it this year. Christine wondered if the timing was off when Blue Water checked or did the company not do a comprehensive assessment. Mike C. will once again talk to the CLFLWD about this.

Members mentioned that patches of milfoil are springing up as well.

Membership Drive. There was discussion again as to when the membership year should be, i.e. July to July as had been the tradition for many years or the calendar year as we have done the past few years. This confusion has led to some people who have been members for years not renewing membership.

We decided to continue with a calendar year membership but to not send the membership letter out until March/April near the annual meeting when people are starting to think more about using the lake. Also, we will make the letter specific as to what timeline the membership covers. We will not actively seek membership renewals this year but concentrate on membership for the January 1 – December 31, 2026, calendar year. Christine offered to draft a membership letter for 2026. Christine suggested including examples of what the dues are used for.

Next Board Meeting:

September 4, 2025, 6:30 pm Wyoming Methodist Church