

Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting
June 4, 2026, 6:30pm
Wyoming United Methodist Church
5459 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming, MN 55092
Minutes

President Mike Crepeau called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm

Members present:

Mike Crepeau
Dick Berglund
Sharon Sill
Dave Freemore
Chris Roche
Christine
Wawrzaszek
Ted Hansen

Members Absent:

Mike Motzko
Tom Hobday
Reid Larson

Guests:

Adam Hjelm (CLFLWD Liaison)
Jackie Anderson

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

Secretary's Report: Dave had emailed minutes from the May 2026 meeting, for review prior to tonight. Ted moved to approve the May Minutes with minor corrections; Chris seconded. The May Minutes were approved.

Treasure’s Report: Dick had emailed the Treasurer’s Report dated June 4, 2026, to members prior to the meeting.

As of June 4, 2026, our finances are as follows:

General Fund	\$ 15,145.68
Fish Stocking Fund	\$ 0.00
Invasive Species Fund	\$ 595.00
TOTAL	\$ 15,740.68

As of May 6, 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.	34 (5/6/2026)

Dave moved to approve the Treasurer’s report; Chris seconded. Treasurer’s report was approved.

Agenda Items:

- **Welcome Adam Hjelm:**

Adam is the Education and Outreach Coordinator of the CLFLWD and is assigned as the liaison between the watershed district and Comfort Lake. Board members introduced themselves and expressed gratitude for Adam as a resource and his work on behalf of our lake and CLFLWD.

- **Lake Weed Control – CLA or CLFLWD?**

Adam clarified what expenses the CLFLWD pays for – specifically delineations to determine what if any treatments for AIS are warranted for a season. This year there were delineations by Blue Water Science on April 20 and May 22. Adam also said the watershed district cannot treat within 150 feet of the lakeshore. Christine brought up that one reason this question is important is whether residents should be getting permits if they want to treat their own lakeshore each season. The chemical EWM was successfully treated with in 2022 is no longer allowed to be used in MN.

- **Comfort Lake Delisting Party (June 17)**

Adam said that there would be three speakers (from the city, county, and CLFLWD) at the party. He also clarified that any expenditures for the event (approximately \$500) will come from a grant. Board members wanted assurance that CLA was not paying for it, at the same time acknowledging the delisting is indeed something of which to be proud and to celebrate. It has been an approximately 24-year process.

- **CLFLWD - June update per Adam**

From the delineations, no treatment for curlyleaf pondweed was recommended and only a few areas of heavy growth of Eurasian Watermilfoil were recommended to be treated. Based on Board member's own lakeshores and what we have heard from other residents we believe that more of the curlyleaf pondweed and the EWM growth is heavy. Discussion was had about hiring a different vendor to do a third delineation. Adam suggested using a vendor who does not also treat for greater objectivity. Matt from CLFLWD has volunteered to look more closely at Big Comfort to understand what the Board and residents are saying about heavy growth. Options are to send him specific GPS coordinates to look at; inviting him on a pontoon ride to take him to specific spots; and petition for a 3rd delineation to include bio-based mapping.

There is a great amount of EWM around the boat landing and that should be treated. At this date, it is too late to treat curlyleaf pondweed. We have until approximately the end of July to treat EWM.

Curlyleaf pondweed's treatment is determined by water temperature. It needs to happen before water temp is above 55 degrees (usually by end of April). Curlyleaf can start growing during the winter. If it gets sunshine, i.e. there is not a lot of snow on the ice, it will grow and be prolific right away in the spring. On the other hand, if it doesn't get light over the winter, it could be a year of light curlyleaf. Either way, curlyleaf pondweed has typically died off by July 1.

- **Water Lake Level**

The lake level is exceptionally low due to lack of rain and snow. CLFLWD still maintains an electronic water level measurement of Comfort on its website. We will add a link to this on our website.

- **Membership Drive**

Letters will be distributed door to door within the next couple days asking for more members. Mike M. will do E Comfort Dr. Reid will take W Comfort Dr.

- **Fourth of July Boat Parade**

Christine provided an update on this. Simplified notices with an application were hand distributed on post boxes today. The Turry family will be parade judges and someone to lead the parade in a jet ski to keep the parade moving.

- **Mailing List for Big Comfort**

Mike M. requested a current mailing list from the CLFLWD for Big Comfort lakeshore owners. We will compare it with our current list to have the most up to date information.

- **Other Business:**

A subcommittee composed of Christine, Mike C and Ted will meet to review using our \$1,200 grant from Chisago County to pay for hours to monitor at the public landing. This use of funds is consistent with our concern of the heavy concentration of EWM in the lake area around the boat landing. Christine, Mike and Ted will find out what days and times are not currently staffed at the boat landing and get back to the Board as to how or if our \$1,200 can help fill in. Should any vote on this issue, including use of additional funds from our general fund be necessary, we agree to vote via email.

No meeting in July. Barring something unexpected, we agreed that a July meeting will not be necessary.

Christine moved to adjourn. Ted seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm

Next Board Meeting:

August 6, 2026, 6:30 pm

Wyoming Methodist Church