Comfort Lakes Association Board Meeting
October 1, 2026, 6:30 pm
Wyoming United Methodist Church
5459 E Viking Blvd
Wyoming, MN 55092
Minutes

Vice-President Mike Motzko called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

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

Members Absent:
Reid Larson
Tom Hobday
Dave Freemore

Guests:
Adam Hjelm (CLFLWD Liaison)

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

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

Treasure's Report: Dick had emailed the Treasurer's Report dated October 1, 2026, to members prior to the meeting.

As of October 1, 2026, our finances are as follows:

General Fund	$ 16,458.08
Fish Stocking Fund	$ 0.00
Invasive Species Fund	$ 1,466.25
TOTAL	$ 17,924.33

As of October 1, 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.	48 (10/1/2026)

Ted moved to approve the October Treasurer's Report; Christine seconded. The October Treasure's report was approved.

Mike M. updated our homeowner/member list so we would have a better idea of the people who have not joined and those who are no longer members. Between Big and Little Comfort Lakes there are 121 home owners. Dick explained 2 seemingly double entries are where the family has mistakenly paid dues twice in 2026 and in the second there are two names with the same address due to a sale of the home during 2026.

Dick announced that he wishes to retire as Treasurer at the end of 2026 after serving for eleven years, but he will remain on the Board. Christine is interested in becoming Treasurer. Dick agreed to help with the transition of books and explain his bookkeeping to Christine so she will be able to take over on January 1. Board members expressed gratitude to Dick for his diligent and honest work throughout these years.

The First State Bank of Wyoming is under new ownership and is now the First Resource Bank. Mike C. wishes to discuss with the new ownership CLA accepting dues electronically via zelle, pay pal or venmo. Board members believe this is a good idea. We will discuss this more in January.

Liaison Report: Adam Hjelm

Adam reported that Ted Hansen, from CLA Board, and Blake Roberts are the new CLFLWD Board members. After congratulating Ted, Board members asked Ted to remain on the CLA Board.

Ted will no longer be on the Citizen Advisory Committee for the CLFLWD. Mike C. will be on this committee.

The Heath Ave. sand project will start on 10/19/2026.

Thus far there have been 888 boat inspections on Comfort Lake for AIS.

Adam said the U of M wants a handful of live Zebra mussels from the lake to do DNA testing on them. Board members who had plates in the water for the U this summer reported virtually no zebra mussels. Members will look at their docks and boat lifts for zebra mussels.

Agenda Items:

Lake Management: The .92 acres at the boat landing were treated for EWM on 9/28/2026.

Entire Lake Treatment: The cost for an entire lake treatment of milfoil only will be approximately $56,000 to $63,000 in 2027. If we are going to do this we need to:

1)get a whole lake permit. Lake Management told Mike C. the permit should be submitted immediately after January 1, 2027. Mike C. will work on the permit application. If we get a permit, it is easy to amend if necessary.

2) Figure out how to pay for this treatment, i.e. look into grants, try to get more members and therefore more dues. Chisago County and other grant programs will not know until the end of 2026 what grant money will be available for 2027

3)Communicate with members to explain what we are doing; that we need their membership; tell them they may want to apply to self-treat for AIS next year, and if the whole lake permit comes through they will get a refund. Christine will draft an outline of this information to be sent to the Board and then the membership.

Treasurer's Position Misc:

1)The total income and disbursements of each the General Fund, Fish Stocking

Fund, and Invasive Species Fund will be added to the Monthly Treasurer Report Summary page.

2)We will have two Board members, the treasurer plus one person, be signatories on our checking account.

3)If an invoice comes through that is greater than $500, it will not be paid without Board approval. The approval may come through a Board meeting, or through an email vote called by the President.

4)We have an invoice dated 9/16 /2026 to pay Lake Management $1,891 for their treatment of the .92 acres in front of the boat landing. All of this balance will be reimbursed by grants: $861.26 refunded from a 2024 grant; and $ 1,211 awarded but not yet received. Chris made a motion that the invoice of $1,891 to Lake Management should be paid; Christine seconded. The motion passed.

5) We decided that even in the months when there is no meeting, a Treasurer's report should be prepared and sent to the Board.

Carp Study: We just received a copy of the carp study done by WSB Engineers in 2024 paid for by a grant from Chisago County. There was discussion about how this study came about and how the grant money was obtained.

Milfoil Weevil: It has been found that a weevil, which is present in every lake, eats milfoil, thereby killing the milfoil plant. However, sunfish eat these weevils. People are putting in "weevil hotels" in areas of dense milfoil so the weevils have a place to hide from sunfish.

Other Business: Mike M. wants to find out why people are not joining the CLA or why they are not renewing membership. Right now, we only have about 40% membership. He suggested sending a brief survey to lakeshore owners. We will discuss this further.

Sharon made a motion to adjourn, Ted seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Board Meeting:

December 3, 2026, 6:30 pm

(No November Meeting)

Wyoming Methodist Church