

Oct. 3, 2024 Healthy Lakes Meeting Summary

5 members in attendance

Update from BLCA board

- Charisee Max will take over as Secretary at the next meeting, Shelly is seeking information on when we will receive the second half of the alum grant funds
 - Ruth will contact BWSR and SWCD for more information
- Palmer Food booth income is still being determined, but looks like we made almost 1000 more than last year
- Looking into having additional summer meetings and/or speakers to encourage more member participation—potentially a loon speaker at the June meeting
- Still looking for more lake reps on the board
- A volunteer is needed who can send out email blasts to membership if Brad Kipp is unavailable. Bre offered to do this.

Alum grant update

- The carp survey is complete. We are way over the environmental threshold for carp per acre.
- The final alum feasibility report will be ready in a few weeks.
- Ruth will secure a date for the Stantec rep to present the final report to the HL committee on a Thurs. night in Nov, or Dec. The presentation will be online.

Plant Bank update

- Bre delivered plants to several applicants this week. If there is any money left this year, she will order bare root trees and shrubs for another giveaway in the spring.

Lake Steward program update

- One sign left to deliver to a resident who was recently hospitalized. Two signs remaining for members who didn't qualify yet, but are working to make improvements on their properties.
- We will plan dates in the spring to tour lake steward properties and will develop a list of stewards who are willing to have people visit their properties and/or answer questions.

Water testing update

- John Schnell needs a backup water tester for Briggs for next year. Jakki Kydd-Fidelman offered to take that role.

Education update

- Ruth and Bre will prepare a fall email blast with educational information to include:

- Proper disposal of leaves
- Securing shoreline items before winter
- Checking docks and lifts for AIS
- Cleaning fire pits

Review of annual goals

- Ruth will prepare a draft of 2025 goals per our discussion to be further discussed and approved at the Nov or Dec. meeting.

Next meeting is Nov. Thurs. Nov. 7 at 6:30 at Palmer Town Hall