CROW WING COUNTY LAKES AND RIVERS ALLIANCE (LARA)

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 2, 2025, 3:00 P.M.
First Western Bank, Nisswa, MN

Board members present: Nick Bernier, Tony Coffey, Dave Peterson, Jodi Billy, Sarah Fogderud (Zoom), Carrie Ruud (Zoom), and Alan Albrecht (Zoom)

Board members absent: Mike Bosquez

Guests: Susan Koering, Pelican Lake Association, Jon Lubke, District 2 County Commissioner

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 P.M. by Tony Coffey, President.

Motion to approve May 5, 2025, Board meeting minutes by Nick, second by Jodi. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report – Dave gave the financial report as Jodi had just returned.

- Checking account funds available as of 5/31/2025 - $21,107.74. May deposits totaled $175.00.
- 6-month (3.25%) CD #1239702 total $4,483.04 matures 11/17/2025. Renewed in May for 6 months.
- 1 year (4.0%) CD #1239701 total $5,545.00 matures 1/17/2026.
- **Total Funda available: $31,135.78.**

LARA Membership Renewals –
Currently we have 27 members. New this year is Lake Edwards who wasn't a member last year. Sarah and Alan are developing a list of possible new members.

2025 AIS Roundtable Update –
Everyone thought the speakers were excellent, but maybe too technical at times for the group. Topics were relevant and timely. Discussion ensued regarding boat registration readers at boat landings.

LARA Education and Awareness Initiatives

- Resort Owner Program – Jessica Shea sent information CWC had in their files from a previous program that Tony included along with the agenda. Tony will reach out to Mitch Brinks to get more background information on the previous program.

WAPOA Starry Stonewort 2025 Plan/CWC lake Association Update

- WAPOA plans to possibly treat 3 times.
- Middle Cullen plans to treat this week.

LARA 2025 Happy Hour – Increasing Membership In Your Lake Association

- August 26, 2025, 4-6:00 PM
- Gather on 3
- Topics – Starry Stonewort

Other Business

- WAPOA Co-host Brainerd Chamber Business After Hours – Roundhouse Brewery, June 27th, 4:30-6:00 pm
- Loon Center groundbreaking – June 20th
- CWC Starry TREK – August 9th

Next meeting: July 14, 2025, 3-4:15 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

By Dave Peterson

Secretary