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Lake Winona Committee meeting minutes, 1992-1993

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LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Wednesday, February 12, 1992

PLACE: Winona Senior High - Biology Room 120

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

NOTE: MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Ray Faber

A G E N D A

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of the January 15, 1992 meeting as sent
3. Treasurer's Report *\$179.82 checks*
#28,667.24 savings
4. Election of Officers
a) Nomination Committees' proposed candidates:
 - President. . . . Neal Mundahl
 - Treasurer. . . . Gene Sweazey
 - Board of Directors: Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Gene Sweazey, Bob Welch, Bob Masyga, Jim Bell, Neal Mundahl, LaVerne Olson and Marv Gunderson
 - Vice President . . Bob Masyga
 - Secretary. . . . Bob Welch
5. Report on the weed harvester and weed cutting on Lake Winona
6. Discussion on woodduck house project
 - a) Refurbishing of present houses - February 15th
 - b) Phil Whitford will show a new style house
7. Discussion on Purple Loosestrife around Lake Winona
8. Miscellaneous
9. Set date and agenda for the next meeting
10. Adjournment

NOTE: 1992 dues of \$5.00 can be paid at the meeting

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF
FEBRUARY 12, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cal Fremling, Bob Masyga, Ray Laber,
Neal Mundahl, Gene Sweazey, Stan Spooner,
Marion Spooner, Phil Whitford, LaVern Olson,
and Bob Welch

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President, LaVerne Olson.
2. Minutes of the January 15, 1992, meeting were approved as mailed.
3. Gene Sweazy, Treasurer, gave the following report:

Checking Account	- \$	179.82
Savings Account	-	28,667.24
Weed Harvester Fund	-	3,668.80
4. The following were elected as officers for 1992 by unanimous vote:

President-Neal Mundahl	Vice President-Bob Masyga
Treasurer-Gene Sweazey	Secretary- Bob Welch
Board of Directors:	Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Gene Sweazey, Bob Welch, Bob Masyga, Jim Bell, Neal Mundahl, LaVerne Olson, and Mary Gunderson
5. Bruce Fuller was unable to attend the meeting, but provided a memo on the Lake Winona weed harvest project. Weed cutting for 1991 started May 21 and ended July 5. The late start was due to parts for the Altosar being back ordered. Because of cutbacks in part-time employees, only one shift was utilized. A total of 320 loads of weeds were harvested, a total of 193 hours were spent on the project compared to 309 hours in 1990 and 664 hours in 1985.

A motion was made and passed to send a letter to the Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and Bob Bollant requesting more effort be made in the cutting of the weeds and testing the weed harvester early so it is ready to go.
6. The wood duck refurbishing project was reviewed and was to be completed on February 15. Phil Whitford showed the Committee a new style house, which will

require less work in keeping in shape. W.S.U. students will assist the Lake Winona Committee in building the wood duck houses. It will cost about \$2.00 per house for materials.

7. A discussion was held concerning the purple loosestrife around Lake Winona. A grant for managing the P.L.S. as part of the marsh restoration has been submitted.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture submitted a proposal for the study of P.L.S. to the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCMR).

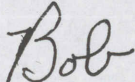
There has been a lot of discussion in the State concerning P.L.S., but nothing definite is happening right now.

The next meeting will feature a slide presentation by Cal Fremling on the history of Lake Winona from 10,000 B.C. to 1975. This should be very interesting, make sure you attend, and bring your friends for a informative and educational evening.

The next meeting will be on March 11, 1992, at the Winona Senior High School in the lower library. 7:30 p.m.

8. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Welch, Secretary

BW/kp

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & City Council
Eric Sorensen, City Manager
Bob Bollant, Director of Public Works

FROM: Lake Winona Committee

DATE: February 27, 1992

SUBJECT: Lake Winona Weed Cutting

The Lake Winona Committee would like the City to make a greater effort in the cutting of the weeds in Lake Winona. If possible, have a greater concentrated effort when the weeds first appear by having more people assigned to the project and have two cutting shifts.

The Committee also requests that the weed harvester be tested in the water early so it is ready to cut when the weeds are up. Last year the harvester wasn't ready, and the weeds were up for a couple of weeks before the harvester was ready.

RW/kp

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of
March 11, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cal Fremling, Alan Whitney, Marian Spooner, Stan Spooner, Gene Sweazey, Phil Whitford, Ray Faber, Bob Welch, LaVerne Olson and Neal Mundahl

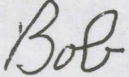
GUESTS: Peter and Delores Whitney, Brian Sather, Maynard Johnson and thirteen college biology students

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1. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M. by President Neal Mundahl.
 2. Minutes of the February 12, 1992 meeting were approved as mailed.
 3. Gene Sweazey, Treasurer, gave the following report:

Checking Account	\$204.31
Savings Account\$28,667.24
Weed Harvester Fund	\$3,668.80

4. Cal Fremling talked with Dan Dieterman, fisheries specialist with the DNR, and Dan said that their study of the fish in Lake Winona showed no danger levels of lead. Also, Dan said 4,000 yellow perch, adult size up to 9 inches, were stocked in Lake Winona last week.
5. Neal Mundahl gave a report on the woodduck nest project. See the attached report for details.
6. Cal Fremling gave a very interesting and educational slide presentation on the history of Lake Winona from the glacier period to the present time.
7. Unless a need arises for an earlier meeting, the next meeting will be in late spring or early summer. If anyone has concerns or agenda items, please contact Neal Mundahl or Bob Welch.
8. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Bob Welch, Secretary

Encl.

**LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE
WOOD DUCK NEST BOX SUMMARY
FEBRUARY 1992 (DATA INDICATES 1991 NESTING SUCCESS)**

<u>LOCATION (BOX MOUNT)</u>	<u>NUMBER OF BOXES</u>	<u>BOXES WITH EGGS</u>	<u>BOXES WITH HATCHED EGGS</u>
WEST BOLLER			
POLE	7	5	5
TREE	2	1	0
EAST BOLLER			
POLE	4	2	2
TREE	20	1	1
LAKE WINONA			
POLE	4	4	3
TREE	17	0	0
SPOONER'S PONDS			
POLE	7	4	2
TOTALS			
POLE	22	15	12
TREE	39	2	1

OVERALL SUCCESS RATES

POLE-MOUNTED BOXES	54.5%
TREE-MOUNTED BOXES	2.6%

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of
January 13, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT: Neal Mundahl, Marian Spooner, Stan Spooner, Cal Fremling, LaVerne Olson, Bob Masyga, Bob Bambenek, Andy Bilicki, Deena Spielman, Jason Harkins and Bob Welch

1. The meeting was called to order by President Neal Mundahl at 7:35 P. M.
2. The minutes of the December 9, 1992 meeting were approved as mailed.
3. The Treasurer's report of balances was as follows:

Checking Account.	\$123.71
Savings Account	\$29,611.31
Weed Harvester Fund.	\$3,799.33

4. A motion was made, seconded and passed, unanimously, for the following officers and Board of Directors to serve for 1993:

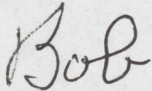
President - Neal Mundahl	<u>Board of Directors</u>
Vice-President - Bob Masyga	Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Bob Welch.
Secretary-Treasurer - Bob Welch	Bob Masyga, Jim Bell, Neal Mundahl, LaVerne Olson, Marv Gunderson and Bob Bambenek

5. A slide presentation and narrative concerning a study of bowfin (dogfish) in Lake Winona was presented by Neal Mundahl. A number of Neal's WSU students, some of whom were at the meeting, did the study between mid-July and the end of August, 1992. The study involved shocking the bowfin and then taking data from the fish captured and placing identifying marks on them and releasing them back into the Lake. The study was done on the West Lake and the following is some of the data gathered:
 - a) Between 1984-1986, 4,000 bowfin (dogfish) were released into Lake Winona -- about 1,200 into the West Lake. The thought was that they would be predators of the sunfish and help control the sunfish population.
 - b) 48 bowfin were caught, with 10 of these caught a second time. The weight was from 3 lbs. to 10 lbs., with an average of about 32" long. All were adult and were caught in the major weed beds in the south-east corner of West Lake and the west end, near the the bike bridge. Through scale testing, the average age was 10.5 years. Those re-caught moved approximately one-quarter mile in less than a day, which shows a lot of movement.
 - c) In studying the feces of 12 of the bowfin, it was determined that they eat approximately 1.5 sunfish per day. It was determined that the sunfish were 3-4 years old and 4"-5" long.
 - d) Other findings indicated that the bowfin were not reproducing naturally in the Lake and that there were less than 100 left in the West Lake. The important result of the study was that the bowfin really don't make a dent in the sunfish population of Lake Winona.

The Lake Winona Committee thanks Neal and his WSU students for their hard work and important study of the bowfin in Lake Winona.

6. The repair of the East Lake Lodge aerator will be completed by Russ Marsolek's diving team in the spring. This project will be coordinated with the Park Maintenance Department.
7. Neal Mundahl will send a letter to the City concerning cutting the weeds in Lake Winona. The letter will address the need to make a greater effort in cutting the weeds when they first appear. This would take more man hours for two shifts. The City has, in the past, provided more funds for this purpose, but the man hours didn't materialize last year. The committee also feels that the cutting should be concentrated in the West Lake. It was also suggested that a preventive maintenance program be established for the harvester and that spare parts be available in case of a breakdown. Neal will set up a meeting with Bob Bollant, Bruce Fuller and Stan Spooner to discuss these issues.
8. The wood duck house project target date is Saturday, February 20th. Stan Spooner will cut the canisters and have them ready for assembly. Cal Fremling will get the accessories to hinge the canisters.
9. The next meeting will be on February 10, 1993, at 7:30 P.M. in the Senior High Biology Room.
10. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Welch, Secretary

**LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE
WOOD DUCK NEST BOX SUMMARY
FEBRUARY 1993 (DATA INDICATES 1992 NESTING SUCCESS)**

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TREE	3	1	1
EAST BOLLER			
POLE	5	4	2
TREE	14	0	0
LAKE WINONA			
POLE	4	4	4
TREE	15	0	0
TOTALS			
POLE	16	9	6
TREE	32	1	1

OVERALL SUCCESS RATES

POLE-MOUNTED BOXES	37.8% (PREVIOUS YEAR 54.5%)
TREE-MOUNTED BOXES	3.1% (PREVIOUS YEAR 2.6%)

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: March 17, 1993

PLACE: Winona Senior High - Biology Room 120

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

NOTE: MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

A G E N D A

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes of February 10, 1993 meeting
3. Treasurer's report
4. Cal Fremling - report on inquiries into building docks for the East Lake -- one at Franklin St. and one at Hamilton St.
5. Discussion/De-Briefing on the wood duck house project of February 20, 1993
6. Miscellaneous
7. Set date and agenda for next meeting
8. Adjournment

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Park Recreation Dept.
City Hall
Winona, MN 55987



LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of
March 17, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT: Neal Mundahl, Bob Masyga, Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Marian Spooner and Bob Welch

1. The meeting was called to order by President Neal Mundahl at 7:35 P.M.
2. The minutes of the February 10, 1993 meeting were approved as mailed.
3. The Treasurer's report of balances was as follows:

Checking Account	\$141.92
Savings Account	\$29,611.31
Weed Harvester Fund	\$3,799.33
4. Cal Fremling reported that the Stillwater prisoners could build us a dock at a cost of \$3,000 per 20 feet, up to 104' long. With delivery and tax, our cost would be approximately \$25,000.
5. A discussion followed, concerning the condition of the boat ramps at Franklin Street and Hamilton Street and the depth of the water at the ramps. Neal, Stan and Cal will check on the depth at the ramps and determine the length needed for the docks at each landing. Bob Welch will contact Bob Bollant concerning the possibility of drag lining at the landings and also an estimated cost of new ramps.
6. Cal Fremling mentioned that it was 20 years ago that the aeration system on Lake Winona was installed and there hasn't been a winter fish kill since that time. This system and many other Lake Winona Committee projects have improved the condition of Lake Winona for public use.
7. A review of the wood duck house project was held. Attached is a summary of the data collected. It was proposed that we continue to replace the wood structures with metal ones. Better results seem to come from the houses out in the open, rather than in the wooded areas.

8. The next meeting will be on April 7, 1993, in Biology Room 120 at Winona Senior High. Agenda items will be:

1. Report on:

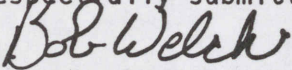
-size of needed docks
-depth of water landings

-drag line project
-cost of new ramps

2. Funding sources for projects.

9. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Welch, Secretary/Treasurer

**LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE
WOOD DUCK NEST BOX SUMMARY
FEBRUARY 1993 (DATA INDICATES 1992 NESTING SUCCESS)**

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POLE	4	4	4
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TOTALS			
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Lake Winona Committee Audit Report

On Monday evening, March 29, 1993, Stan Spooner and Jim Bell met with Bob Welch to audit the financial records of The Lake Winona Committee. A periodic review of this nature is a prudent procedure and is especially of value when the office of Treasurer changes hands.

1. The checking account statement from Winona National & Savings was seen and was matched to the check register. The suggestion was made that invoices and expense documents be marked with the check number and date as the check is written and that they be stapled to the bank statement which shows the check clearing the bank.

2. The most recent Money Market Account Statement from Winona National & Savings was seen and was compared to the financial report. The interest recorded in the savings account book was totaled and compared to the 1992 1099-Int. issued by Winona National & Savings. It was suggested that Bob contact Ken Seebold of Winona National & Savings' Trust Department to determine investment alternatives which may provide a better return to the Committee. He can report on this at a future meeting.

3. A letter from the City Treasurer was seen and confirmed to the Weed Harvester Balance being reported on the Committee Financial Statements.

4. The counter signature requirement was discussed. By-laws were reviewed and it was noted that all checks should be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by either the President or the Vice President. The procedure will be followed in the future. (Only two checks were issued without a counter signature and these were for minor amounts.)

5. Reviewed financial records which had been retained and suggested that check registers be retained permanently, but any canceled checks, bank statements, and invoices in excess of three years old can be discarded.

6. Reviewed membership list of 1993. It was mentioned by Bob that Cal Fremling had paid twice. It was decided to extend his membership into 1994 rather than issue a refund.

It is our opinion that the financial records of the Lake Winona Committee are in good order and that the financial reports accurately represent the status of the organization.

Stan Spooner
Jim Bell
March 29, 1993

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Park Recreation Dept.
City Hall
Winona, MN 55987



LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of February 10, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT: Neal Mundahl, Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Marian Spooner,
Bob Masyga, LaVerne Olson and Bob Welch

1. The meeting was called to order by President Neal Mundahl at 7:35 P.M.
2. The minutes of the January 13, 1993 meeting were approved as sent.
3. The Treasurer's report of balances was as follows:

Checking Account	\$143.71
Savings Account	\$29,611.31
Weed Harvester Fund	\$3,799.33

4. Neal Mundahl reported that a number of college students would help with the wood duck house project on February 20th. A discussion followed on the equipment needed for the project and the procedure for checking, repairing and replacing the houses. Everyone will meet at Cal Fremling's house at 8:00 A.M. on the 20th.
5. Cal Fremling reported that the crappies in West Lake Winona are much thicker this year and are averaging about a quarter of a pound.
6. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob".

Bob Welch, Secretary

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Park Recreation Dept.
City Hall
Winona, MN 55987



LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of April 7, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT: Neal Mundahl, Cal Fremling, Gene Sweazey, Bob Masyga, Stan Spooner, LaVerne Olson and Bob Welch

1. The meeting was called to order by President Mundahl at 7:30 P.M.
2. The minutes of the March 17, 1993 meeting were approved as mailed.
3. The Treasurer's report of balances was as follows:

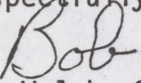
Checking account	\$98.17
Savings account	\$29,821.43
Weed Harvester Fund	\$.3,799.33

4. Information on a fishing dock from E-Z dock from Winona, Minnesota was received. After much discussion, it was unanimously approved to purchase the dock. The dock is 5' wide and 70' in length, attached to a 10' x 40' "T". It will be placed in the East Lake, just east of the Franklin Street boat ramp. With tax, the total cost will be \$18,204.34. It was suggested that letters be written to various groups to see if they would be interested in sharing the cost of the project.
5. A report on the 1993 audit of the financial records of the Lake Winona Committee was made. It was reported that the financial records of the Lake Winona Committee are in good order and that the financial reports accurately represent the status of the organization.
6. A discussion followed on investment alternatives for the Committee's savings account. The interest gained in 1992 was \$1,024.41. Ken Seebold of the Winona National and Savings Bank provided a letter, addressing various options that might be taken. It was proposed that at a future meeting we have a specialist speak to the Committee on alternate ways to invest our funds.
7. A report on repairing and improving the ramps at Franklin Street and at Hamilton Street was presented. A memo from Bob Bollant, Director of Public Works, gave an estimate of \$12,000 for each ramp. This would include \$1,500 for excavation in order to construct the ramp at a proper grade in the water. It was suggested that this be our next project and that we possibly get other groups to assist with funding for this project.
8. It was approved to change our meeting place from the Winona Senior High School Biology Room to the Conference Room in City Hall.

9. At the present time, we have eleven (11) paid members for 1993. We have 28 people on our mailing list. If you are no longer interested in being a member of the Lake Winona Committee, please notify Bob Welch at the Park Recreation Department at this number: (507)457-8258.

10. Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Welch, Secretary-Treasurer

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Park Recreation Dept.
City Hall
Winona, MN 55987

LAKE WINONA COMMITTEE

Minutes of
December 1, 1993



MEMBERS PRESENT: Neal Mundahl, Cal Fremling, Bob Masyga, Marian Spooner, Stan Spooner, Steve Redman, Mike DeLong, LaVerne Olson, Bill Richardson, Robin Richardson, Bruce Fuller, Bob Welch

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1. The meeting was called to order by President Neal Mundahl at 7:35 P.M.
 2. The Treasurer reported the following balances:

Checking Account.	\$551.12
Savings Account	\$15,821.43
Weed Harvester Fund	\$3,920.91
 3. The new fishing pier is in place, just east of the Franklin Street boat ramp. The total cost for the pier was \$19,055.01 and was purchased from E-Z Dock, a business located in Winona. Contributors who assisted the Lake Winona Committee in funding this project are:

Winona Union Labor.	\$5,000
Winona Eagles Club.	\$500
Turn In Poachers Group.	\$25

A handicapped ramp has been installed from the bike path to the fishing pier. In the spring, a walkway from the parking area to the ramp will be installed. We will have a dedication of the fishing pier in the spring. Bruce Fuller will contact Jack Neitzke on the wintering procedure for the spuds and the dock.

4. A discussion on improving habitat for the ducks on the West Lake resulted in having a large branch being placed on the lake later this winter. Bruce Fuller will be in charge of this project.
5. The ongoing woodduck house project will be the winter project for the Lake Winona Committee. The project will consist of making new houses to replace those that are unserviceable, taking an inventory of nesting results in existing housing, refurbishing nesting materials and adding new houses in various locations.
6. The slate of officers to be voted on at the next meeting are:

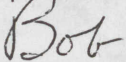
Board of Directors

President: Neal Mundahl	Cal Fremling, Stan Spooner, Bob Welch, Bob
Vice President: Bob Masyga	Masyga, Jim Bell, Neal Mundahl, LaVerne Olson,
Secretary-Treasurer: Bob Welch	Marv Gunderson and Bob Bambenek

Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

7. Bruce Fuller requested \$850 - \$900 to replace one of the paddles on the weed harvester. A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide those funds from the Weed Harvester Fund.
8. The Boller Lake Dam is open, due to complaints that the water was too high and was affecting agricultural efforts in the area around the lake. The new dike system, which will be constructed for Gilmore Creek and which runs into Boller Lake, will address a by-pass system to replace the present system. Neal Mundahl and Cal Fremling will meet with the designer of the dike system to address issues that affect Lake Winona and Boller Lake.
9. There is a need to improve the boat ramps at Franklin Street and Hamilton Street. The approximate cost is \$1,200 for each ramp. Bob Welch will approach the Mississippi Sportsman's Club to see if they would like to take on this project.
10. The next meeting of the Lake Winona Committee will be Wednesday, January 12, 1994, in the Wenonah Room on the third floor of City Hall at 7:30 P.M.
11. 1994 dues of \$5.00 can be sent to Bob Welch, Park Recreation Department, Box 378, Winona, Minnesota.
12. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Welch
Secretary-Treasurer

H A P P Y H O L I D A Y S ! ! !