

2022 Long Lake at Vergas Lake Association Annual Meeting Agenda

Hobart Township Hall

June 11, 2022 8:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m. Coffee and registration

9:15 a.m. Business Meeting

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Guest Speaker from Soil and Water Conservation District in Perham
3. Is anyone interested in being Vice President or a City Beach Captain?
Approval of Agenda and new Officers.
 - President: Eddy Roesch
 - Vice President _____
 - Secretary: Joy Stumbo
 - *Treasurer: Bette Pitzel
 - Past President: Pam Kirsch
 - *Northwest/Central Beach: Linda and Duane Johnson
 - Northeast Beach: Mike Burke
 - South Narrows: Brad Offutt
 - *South Central Beach Roger Johnson
 - Southeast Beach: Ron Aksamit
 - East Beach: Pat Greenwood
 - City Beach: _____
4. Secretary and Treasurer reports
5. Other reports: Eddy Roesch-Spraying, Rick Kirsch-Water Monitoring, Tim Nephew-Lake Stocking
6. New Business
 - 2023 Dues \$50
 - LLVLA will continue to stock Long Lake on odd years
 - We will have a new Water Monitoring person
 - Other business
7. Announcements and upcoming events

- Please review and remind your guests of the boating rules, regulations and etiquette so that all can enjoy a safe experience on Long Lake. Concern has been expressed regarding harassment of loons, excessive speed and watercraft not following time limits. According to the Mn DNR "Etiquette/Own Your Wake", "boats can reduce the likelihood their wakes will cause damage to other boaters and to the shore by staying at least 200 feet away." If you are within the 200 feet of someone or shore you should be at no wake speed which is less than 5 miles per hour. To give you a visual the narrows is about 350 feet wide.
- The boat parade will be on July 4th. Meet near the City Beach at 2:00. **This is a patriot parade not a political parade.**
- The dates for the highway 60 Adopt a Highway cleanup will be sent out by email. Join us if you can. Following the cleanup we will socialize and have brats, beans, and bars. BYOB
- We will continue with our beaver control measures. If beavers are causing damage to your property you can control them yourself.
- In January watch your mail for membership and spraying information. We need payment by April 1st. Remember we need 2 checks, one for membership and one for spraying. Checks will not be deposited until March.
- 8. Contact your Director or Beach Captain with suggestions and ideas.
- 9. Thank you to the kitchen crew: Ellie Johnson, Tracy Offutt and Jane Nephew.
- 10. Thank you to our decoration and door prize committee: Kathy Jenniges and Colleen Slough.
- 11. Door Prizes. Thank you to all who donated door prizes.
- 12. Adjourn
- 13. Please help clean up. Thank you!
- 14. The Veterans Memorial Dedication is today. Food 11:00-1:00, Free Will Offering. 1:00 Dedication. 1:30 Raffle.

Web Site: www.longlakeatvergas.com

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2021 Long Lake at Vergas Lake Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday July 17, 2021

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Hobart Township Hall

In Attendance: 71 Long Lake Property Owners

Donuts and Coffee was served starting at 8:30

9:00 Guest Speaker: Jim Wolters, Area Supervisor, Fergus Falls Area Fisheries, MN Dept of Natural Resources, spoke about the fish stocking on Long Lake with Q & A. Discussion on netting and ages of fish to determine how successful lake stocking was in certain years. The DNR stocks every other year, making it possible for lakes to privately stock in the off years.

9:30 Business Meeting

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Pam Kirsch.
- II. President Pam Kirsch explained that the board has approved \$5000 for 2021 Fish Stocking
- III. Introductions were made and new board member Mike Burke and Treasurer Connie Breitzman were approved by Terry Lipp 2nd by Roger Johnson
- IV. After time for review, the meeting agenda was changed to have Tim Nephew speak after Jim Wolters. Approved by Roger Johnson, 2nd Tim Nephew
- V. Stocking Report given by Tim Nephew, in 2020 500 pounds of fingerlings and 56 pounds of yearlings were stocked by the DNR.
- VI. Secretaries Report with Past Minutes and Treasures Report were approved by Phyllis Helland 2nd Dennis Breitzman
- VII. Spraying Report given by Eddy Roesch – spraying was completed June 2, 2021, which included 69 properties and 98 acres.
- VIII. COLA Report given by Rick Kirsch: Handout included levels of phosphorus (nutrients for plants) and chlorophyll (level of algae in the lake) which have been going down slightly since testing started in 1996. Water clarity averages 10.4 feet. Water testing is done once a month for five months May through September. Rick collects the samples and takes them to R&B Labs for testing. You can find all the information on the R&B website. Zebra Mussels are now present in our lake, and Roger Johnson brought a jar containing live Zebra Mussels he has found on his beach on Freedom Flyer Road.
- IX. New Business:
- X. 1. Dues will be \$40 for the year 2022.
- XI. 2. Chinese Mystery Snails have invaded our lake. They are large, up to 3 inches in length and mostly brown in color.
3. Board will try to include spraying bill amounts in the newsletter

XII. Announcements:

1. 4th of July Parade had about 25 boats this year.
2. Hwy 60 Ditch cleanup will take place in September. More info will be emailed.
3. Please review the boating rules, regulations and etiquette so that all can enjoy a safe experience on Long Lake. Concern has been expressed regarding harassment of loons, and geese, watercraft going too fast and too close to docks, swimmers, nonmotorized watercraft and not observing time limits. Roger Johnson reported that Jet skies are to be off the lake 30 minutes before sunset, and wake boats 30 minutes after sunset.
4. We will continue with our beaver control measures. If beavers are causing damage to your property, you can trap or shoot them.
5. In January watch your mail for membership and spraying information. We need payment by April 1st.
6. Contact your Beach Captain with suggestions and ideas.
7. Thank you to our kitchen crew: Ellie Johnson, Janelle Lotzer, Bette Pitzel & Tracy Offutt

XII. Current List of the Board of Directors:

1. President: Pam Kirsch
2. Vice President: Eddy Roesch
3. Secretary: Joy Stumbo
4. Treasurer: Connie Breitzman
5. Past President: Rich McCrady
6. North Central Beach Captain: Duane Johnson
7. Northwest/Central Beach Captain: Open
8. Northeast Beach Captain: Mike Burke
9. South (narrows) Beach Captain: Brad Offutt
10. South Central Beach Captain: Rick Lewis
11. Southeast Beach Captain: Ron Aksamit
12. Vergas City Beach Captain: Open
13. East Beach Captain: Pat Greenwood

Appointed Positions include:

14. Conservationist: Tim Nephew
15. Water Quality and Cola: Rick Kirsch
16. Web Site and Facebook Page: Kris Whalen

Door Prizes were given out

XIII. Motion to adjourn by Joy Stumbo 2nd Linda Johnson

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Stumbo, Secretary

LONG LAKE VERGAS LAKE ASSOCIATION 2022 TREASURERS REPORT

SUBMITTED BY BETTE PITZEL, TREASURER

BEGINNING BALANCE (August 1, 2021)

\$13,738.62

INCOME (Deposits)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
04/01/2022	Member Dues	\$3920.00
04/01/2022	Spraying	\$3909.45
10/21/2021	Fish Stocking Donations	<u>\$2025.00</u>
		\$9894.45

EXPENSES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payable To</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	Vergas State Bank	Shazam Card	\$ 10.00
	Arvig	Jan-April Website	\$ 358.25
	UPS	January Newsletter	\$ 166.31
	USPS	Box 43 Rent	\$ 62.00
06/11/21	Annual Meeting	Door Prize Expense	\$ 125.00
12/20/21		Domaine Registry	\$ 190.00
10/21/21	Klugs	Fish Stocking	\$7,225.00
05/05/22	S. Mackner	Beaver Control	\$ 400.00
05/18/22	Service Foods	Ditch Clean Up Social	\$ 194.81
05/02/22	Otter Tail County	Coalition of Lakes Assn.	\$ 600.00
		Other Expenses	<u>\$ 76.95</u>
			\$9408.32

ENDING BALANCE (June 3, 2022)

\$14,224.74

MINUS SPRAYING FUNDS RECEIVED

- \$3839.45

LONG LAKE VERGAS LAKE ASSN. ENDING BALANCE

\$10,385.29

OUTSTANDING CHECKS or BILLS (June 3, 2022)

<u>Check #</u>	<u>Payable To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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Spraying Cost (Spraying has not been completed yet)

Long 56-0388 56-0388-02

Lake Information

MN Lake ID: 56-0388-02
County: Otter Tail
Ecoregion: NCHF
Major Drainage Basin: RD
Latitude/Longitude: 46.65191667 / -95.77475
Years Monitored: 1996 - 2021
Monitored Sites: 101,203

[View MPCA CLMP Historical Secchi Data](#)
[MPCA Assessment Report](#)
[Search County Monthly Precipitation Data](#)

Physical Characteristics

Surface area (acres): 1273
Littoral area (acres): 529
% Littoral area:
Max depth (ft): 128
Max depth (m):
Mean depth (ft): N/A
Watershed size (acres): N/A
Aquatic Invasive Species:

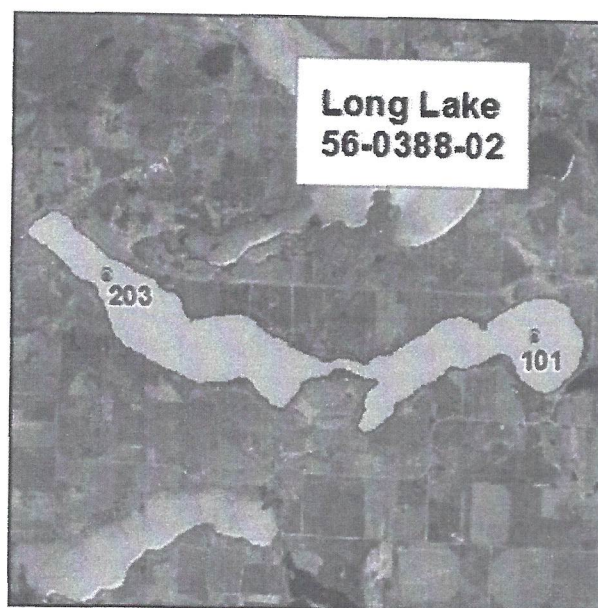
[View MN DNR Fisheries Report](#)
[View MN DNR Lake Level Report](#)

Water Quality Characteristics

(data from RMB monitoring database only)

Parameters	Primary Site 203	Site 101
Total Phosphorus Mean:	23.2	20.7
Total Phosphorus Min:	10	9
Total Phosphorus Max:	61	36
Number of Observations:	116	42
Chlorophyll-a Mean:	7.3	5.9
Chlorophyll-a Min:	0.5	1.8
Chlorophyll-a Max:	22	18
Number of Observations:	116	42
Secchi Depth Mean:	10.4	10.6
Secchi Depth Min:	5	7
Secchi Depth Max:	20	16
Number of Observations:	115	41
Trophic State Index Mean:	46.9	45.7

Trophic State: Mesotrophic



Trends

(Primary site only. For detecting trends, a minimum of 8-10 years of consecutive data with 4 or more readings per season are recommended)
Trend analysis does not take into consideration aquatic invasive species.
Species like zebra mussels can alter water chemistry over time.

Years Monitored: 1996 - 2021
Total Phosphorus: Improving with 95% confidence.
Chlorophyll-a: Improving with 95% confidence.
Secchi Depth: No significant trend exists.
Trophic State Index: Improving with 80% confidence.

Ecoregion Comparisons

(Primary site only. Comparisons are based on interquartile range, 25th-75th percentile, for ecoregion reference lakes)

Ecoregion: NCHF
Total phosphorus: Within Expected Range
Chlorophyll-a: Within Expected Range
Secchi depth: Within Expected Range

Fish Stocking Report Spring 2022 Lake Association Annual Meeting

- On October 18, 2021, our Long Lake Association facilitated the supplemental stocking of the Lake with 402 pounds of walleye fry which is approximately 12,000 fish of 4-6 inches in length. The cost to purchase the fish was \$7,225. Of this amount, \$5000 was allocated by the Lake Association Board and an additional \$2225 was donated by private donations.
- We purchased the fish from Klug Fish Farms of Garfield, MN a state licensed hatchery and we secured the necessary permits from the DNR required for stocking of the lake. We would like to thank Kevin Kovar of Sunset Bay Resort for allowing us to use his access for the stocking last fall.
- This additional stocking was about three years in the making. Here is a little background information on the process:
- The Lake Association Board of Directors decided to explore the possibility of stocking walleyes in Long Lake to supplement the stocking that is already being done by the Department of Natural Resources.
- Stocking committee was formed made up of lake owner volunteers. Several meetings were held to discuss the stocking of the lake and the DNR's area fisheries manager attended one of the meetings to discuss options available for stocking.
- Currently the Department of Natural Resources stocks Long Lake every even numbered year, with the last stocking of walleyes taking place in the fall of 2020. At that time the DNR stocked 500 pounds of fingerlings or about 13,000 fish. They also put in 56 pounds of yearling walleyes which is roughly an additional 436 fish.
- Because the DNR stocks Long Lake every other even numbered year, as a lake association we would only be allowed to stock the lake ourselves on odd numbered years. The reason for this is because through netting and testing the DNR can determine survival ratios by year class of walleye stocking. This allows them to better determine stocking methods based on numbers of fish stocked and environmental factors.
- We are hoping to make this a permanent every other year supplement to the current DNR stocking of the lake. We have discussed the possibility of a fund raiser or other methods to secure funding and we welcome input from the association members both on stocking and future funding sources.