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Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, April 16, 2024
Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81796139565>
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm: Zoom

Board Member Attendees via Zoom: Ron Meyer, Steve Roe, Elizabeth Mboutchom, Darril Wegscheid, James Brandt, Lloyd Thyen, Sheila Boldt, Barbara Courneya, John Forney, Jim Chamberlin

Other Attendees via Zoom: Tasha Lauer-Crow Wing SWCD

1) Approval of Agenda for 4/16/2024

There was a motion by Darril Wegscheid seconded by Lloyd Thyen, to approve the 4/16/2024 PRWA Agenda, with addition of survey for membership. All Aye, Motion carried.

2) Approval of Previous Minutes

There was a motion by Darril Wegscheid seconded by Barbara Courneya, to approve the 3/19/2024 PRWA Monthly Board Meeting minutes. All Aye, Motion carried.

3) Committee Reports

a. Finance: Balance of \$76,062.30

PRWA Federal Tax Return form 990-EZ and Minnesota Charity Annual Report:

There was a motion by John Forney seconded by Darrel Wegscheid, to approve the PRWA Federal Tax Return form 990-EZ and Minnesota Charity Annual Report. All Aye, Motion carried.

b. Land and Waters: More applicants this year than before, very good applicants. Funding will be spread over all the participants/applicants. List will be sent out soon.

c. Membership: WAPOA has rising costs of protecting the lakes, AIS. Liquid Assets newsletter is recently decided to have 4 advertisers in the newsletter. We are all part of a bigger system, a watershed, we need to work together. PRWA Survey did not get a lot of attention.

d. Enbridge: March 2024 annual shareholders meeting, major acquisitions in the Gulf, 3% increase in funding. Court is saying no to the get the pipeline shutdown, Native American's want the pipeline gone immediately. Enbridge is looking for a new route for the pipeline, but will continue to try to use the reservation, through increasing funding to tribe..

e. NWLT: MN Heritage Forest-funds will be available July 1, 2024. Tullibee and LOBS program, Lake Assn Conservation committee workshop to protect the whole watershed,



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such as when properties come up for sale, August 15, 2024, 3-5pm, Backus Land Dept.

Additional Workshops



Loon Workshops

What: Learn about banding programs, habitat restoration efforts, and what you can do to help protect Minnesota's state bird.

Where: In-person, Crosslake

Dates:

- Thursday, [May 30](#)
- Thursday, [June 27](#)
- Thursday, [July 25](#)
- Thursday, [August 22](#)
- Thursday, [September 19](#)



Cabin Succession Planning Workshop

What: Learn from experts about preserving your lake property and legacy

Where: Hybrid, Crosslake & Longville

Dates:

- Wednesday, June 12 (Crosslake)
- Thursday, June 13 (Longville)



Conservation Opt Landowners

What: Learn the in's and out's protecting your land.

Where: Virtual

Dates:

- Wednesday, June 5
- Tuesday, July 30

- 4) Crosslakers and Loon Center: Mandy Nistler, June 20-22, 2024, MN Loon and Lake festival, in Crosslake, Loon-a-palooza? 4 phases of the Crosslake project coming to a close soon.
- 5) Emily Mining: Information has been shared through email. Looking to reopen a mine in upper Michigan, significant activity around the US regarding mining recently.
- 6) Tax Forfeited Project: formed a team with Crow Wing SWCD Forester, Justin Silgjord, and MN land trust, and Kirk Soldner, and hoping for a DNR person.
- 7) Regenerative Ag Farm: 2013 week-long agroforestry training, demo sites started, windbreaks, riparian buffers, forage farming, ally cropping, Silva pasture. Establishing an agroforestry project on bad land and measure ecological benefits on the land. Looking to get Lindberg to assist with this project. Hazelnuts and filberts hybrids. Upper Midwest hazelnut project, to make it economically viable. Cass or Crow Wing SWCD could own as a demonstration farm.
- 8) Happy Dancing Turtle, HDT: Roots so Deep Presentation: will be streamed in a month or so on YouTube/social media. 4 1-hour films.
- 9) Board Comments:

Jim Brandt	Lake is down 15 inches. Need rain.
Ron Meyer	Good to be back. Looking at all the yard work is intimidating.
Tom Kuschel	NA
Clay Schulte	NA



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Barb Courneya	Had a great trip with Family to view the Eclipse.
John Forney	Loon Center is active. Lake is down and Corp. looking at what can be done.
Sheila Boldt	Had an idea of contest to get more survey response.
Lloyd Thyen	Activity beginning on AIS. Still working on get the Lead out. Decontamination station at landing on Roosevelt.
Darril Wegscheid	Support from Crooked Lake Twp. for AIS has been great.
Jodi Billy	NA
Jodi Eberhardt	NA
Bob K	NA
Scott Lucas	NA
Elizabeth M	No comments
Steve Roe	No comments
Kirk Soldner	NA
Lynn Jansen	NA
Annie Knight	NA
Jim Chamberlin	Soil Health Workshop on April 26.

Adjourn: 5: PM.

PRWA 2024 Meeting Schedule

3Rd Tuesday of each month from 4:00 to 6:00 PM Central (established 12/29/2020)

January 16 th	No Meeting	
February 20 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting
March 19 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting
April 16 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners



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May 21 st	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
June 18 th		
Annual Meeting	3:00 to 4:00 PM	Ideal Corners
Regular Board meeting	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
July 16 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
August 20 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
September 17 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
October 15 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Ideal Corners
November 19 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting
December 17 th	4:00 to 6:00 PM	Zoom Meeting

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