



MEMORANDUM

Comfort Lake-Forest Lake Watershed District

MEETING NOTES OF THE COMFORT LAKE-FOREST LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tuesday, July 15th, 2025

Attendees: Keith Kuhnly, Tom Furey, Randy Schumacher, Jerry Grundtner, Mike Miron

Others: Adam Hjelm, Aidan Read

Watershed Update

Aidan Read, Land Management Specialist provided an update on District programs and projects. Randy Schumacher had questions about the recent Eurasian water milfoil delineation, and how that would inform upcoming treatments. Jerry Grundtner provided some more details on EWM from the FLLA. Tom Furey provided details on the lake level updates he has set up with staff. Using the automated level loggers, Mr. Furey as BLA president now receives automatic email updates when the lake level exceeds the OHWL. These updates are also provided to relevant city staff. Keith Kuhnley asked for an update on the shoreline public relations work from Moore Engineering. Adam Hjelm discussed briefly some of the work that Moore Engineering has been working on, and how the project has been proceeding. The shoreline pontoon tour was discussed, with specific questions regarding the cancellation of the Forest Lake tour. Staff described how it was decided that the cost of the Forest Lake tour did not justify having tours in back-to-back years, but that the Bone Lake tour would proceed in August. Mr. Schumacher shared that he was of the opinion that based on the success of the initial tour, it would be beneficial to host a second event this year. Project signage was discussed, and Mr. Hjelm provided details about the signage process for projects.

Watershed Champion Award

Adam Hjelm described the process for the upcoming Watershed Champion Award and solicited volunteers for the WCA review committee. Keith Kuhnly, and Mike Miron volunteered, with Tom Furey as an alternate. Mr. Read will send an email soliciting volunteers from the members who were not able to attend.



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Budget Discussion

Mr. Read provided a brief update on the budget and noted that the Board had not yet provided specifics for discussion. The Committee discussed concerns around the budget, especially regarding the expansion of maintenance obligations with land acquisitions.

Mr. Read stated that he would provide an update on budget items following the next Board budget workshop. Members were encouraged to watch recent board workshop videos to be brought up to speed.

Closing

With the next scheduled meeting falling on the day of the Bone Lake pontoon tour, it was decided that a CAC budget workshop should be held in early August. Mr. Read will coordinate with members to schedule this workshop.

For the September meeting, Keith Kuhnly was appointed Chair.