

Chair Sally Kunkel called the meeting to order at 10:03am in the Lac du Flambeau Town Hall and recognized compliance with the Open Meetings Act and that a quorum of the committee was present.

Secretary Hoover called roll. Members present included: John Bartosz, Georgine Brown, Charlene DeWald, Roberta Gast, Bryan Hoover, Sally Kunkel, Kris LaMarche, Gretchen Watkins, Norm Wetzel, and LeAnn White. One Guest, Pat Hayes, [phayes@fabricimages.com](mailto:phayes@fabricimages.com) was recognized.

The Agenda was approved as presented by voice vote following a motion to approve by Gast with second by Bartosz.

The Minutes of the October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Regular TLC Meeting were approved as amended by voice vote following a motion to approve by Bartosz, with second by Brown

**Public Comments:**

Pat Hayes asked the group about the small grants for CBCW boat landing inspectors which led to a discussion among members about how to potentially set up the employees as a part of the grant. Norm Wetzel explained that he will be attending a session at the WI Lakes Convention in the coming week and he intends to bring the issues up to one of the presenters that may be able to provide some insight as to how to properly go about the administrative procedures with the employees as a part of the grants.

**Financial Report:**

Treasurer Wetzel reported to the group that the WDNR grant submitted for \$3000 had been approved for printing of the Comprehensive Lake Management Plan Report.

Treasurer Wetzel then explained that he will be distributing the donation report at the next meeting for updates.

**Action Teams**

**Watercraft Inspection:**

Sally Kunkel distributed the list of CBCW workshops for the season along with additional info provided by email from Ted Ritter.

**Lake Monitoring:**

The team reported that they are currently on "standby" waiting for ice-out. There was some additional discussion about the possibility of the TLC using some of their funds to "co-fund" along with the lake associations the purchase of a Temperature and Dissolved Oxygen Meter for ongoing monitoring data collection. Gretchen Watkins also reported that the staff gauges for lake level monitoring will be going in as soon as the ice goes out.

**Public Relations:**

No official report. Charlene DeWald reported that she will be resigning from helping with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July float this year.

**Purple Loosetrife:**

Team is on Stand-by.

**Status of the Comprehensive Bear River Watershed Management Plan:**

Norm reported that the text of the plan has been sent to the formatters and they are waiting on copies in order to distribute to the designated readers.

**Tribal Report:**

Gretchen reported that Lakesfest will be on June 21<sup>st</sup> this year.

Bryan reported that the NR Department will be hosting a Natural Resources Fair at the LdF School on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Vilas County Partnership Report**

No Report.

**Letters and Communication:**

A flyer for the Indigenous Arts program this summer was distributed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05am by voice vote with a Motion to adjourn by Bartosz and LaMarche.

Submitted by Bryan Hoover, TLC Secretary.

## **LAKE DU FLAMBEAU TOWN LAKES COMMITTEE**

Meeting Agenda April 16, 2014

LDF Town Hall, 10:00am

- A. Call to order**
- B. Open Meeting Statement – quorum met**
- C. Roll Call and Welcome**
- D. Approval of Agenda**
- E. Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2013 meeting**
- F. Public Comments**
- G. Discussion and Action on Agenda Items**
  - 1. Financial Report
    - a. Expenditure Report
    - b. Donation Report
  - 2. Action Teams-reports
    - a. Watercraft Inspection
    - b. Lake Monitoring
    - c. Public Relations
    - d. Purple Loosestrife
    - e. Status of *Comprehensive Lake Management Plan*
- H. Tribal Report**
- I. Vilas County Partnership Report**
- J. Letters & Communications**
- K. Next Meeting May 21, 10:00am**
- L. Adjourn**

The below represents the final listing of CBCW workshops I am committing to at this point. More might be added later, but at this point my calendar is more than full. With the exception of the May 23 workshop at Trees for Tomorrow in Eagle River, the training events will be essentially identical. Please help me encourage CBCW inspectors to attend any workshop convenient for them.

Thanks to all who stepped forward to host these events.

VILAS COUNTY 2014 CBCW WORKSHOPS			
Date	Time	Location	Event Sponsor
4/17	9:00 AM	Land O' Lakes Town Hall	Black Oak Lake Association
5/7	5:00 PM	St. Germain Community Center	St. Germain Lions Club
5/15	1:30 PM	Presque Isle Town Hall	Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee
5/21	2:00 PM	North Lakeland Discovery Center	North Lakeland Discovery Center
5/23	1:00 PM	<b>Trees for Tomorrow (See note below)</b>	Vilas County Land & Water Conservation
5/27	1:30 PM	Presque Isle Town Hall	Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee
6/3	9:00 AM	Lac du Flambeau Town Hall	Lac du Flambeau Town Lakes Committee
6/6	9:00 AM	Town of Hiles Fire Station B	Butternut/Kentuck Lakes Association
6/7	9:00 AM	St. Germain Community Center	St. Germain Town Lakes Committee
6/21	1:00 PM	Arbor Vitae Fire Station	Little Arbor Vitae Lake District
7/8	9:00 AM	St. Germain Community Center	St. Germain Town Lakes Committee

**NOTE:** This event is intended primarily for the 14 students provided by UW Oshkosh and the organizations who have contracted for their services. While the public is welcome to attend (as space permits), this workshop will cover more ALS basics than the "refresher" training events and will be 3 or more hours long. The other workshops should take no longer than 1.5 to 2 hours.

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**John Kunkel**

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**From:** Ted Ritter <teritt@co.vilas.wi.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 26, 2014 3:33 PM  
**To:** AIS PARTNERS - VILAS CO.; rharms23@gmail.com; dale.reilley@gmail.com; ualcaptret@aol.com; jd.harold@yahoo.com; ottokay@wildblue.net; sledpirate@gmail.com; muellerd@dwave.net; charles\_thier@ymail.com; tqcarlstedt@ameritech.net; woodbox@charter.net; tom01schwartz@gmail.com; jrowe@nex.net; tomcerull@new.rr.com; Rnb3247@frontier.com; alarson5@wi.rr.com; AJR5@aol.com; jonin3027@aol.com; psdnumber1@gmail.com; lamarche.kris@gmail.com  
**Subject:** 2014 CBCW TRAINING CRITICAL - WORKSHOPS BEING SCHEDULED

This is a repeat message, but not the last time you will receive it.

The Clean Boats, Clean Waters watercraft inspection / boater education program is undergoing a much needed revision this year. The inspection form will be new and the data entry procedure will be adjusted to accommodate the new form. The form will include prompts to encourage friendly conversations with boaters about why boats must be drained, why live fish cannot be transported away from landings and why live fish bait (minnows) represents a risk when used in multiple water bodies. The new approach recognizes that while nearly 100% of boaters acknowledge that enforceable AIS laws exist, substantially fewer actually understand the laws and the reasons for them. It's believed that compliance will increase with better understanding of the laws.

Delivering a consistent message to boaters across the state is critical. Therefore re-training of CBCW inspectors is critical. No one, whether paid or volunteer, should attempt to talk to boaters without first attending a refresher training. Furthermore, I am discouraging relying on the old "train the trainer" approach for at least this year as I believe it results in inconsistent training and inconsistent messages to boaters.

I am making myself available to conduct CBCW workshops across Vilas County beginning mid-May. I prefer workshop audiences to be larger as opposed to smaller, for obvious reasons. I also prefer conducting the workshops in locations where the public is welcome rather than in private homes. I'm looking for lake organizations or town lakes committees to host a workshop that I will conduct. In other words, I need your help in arranging for audiences, locations and dates.

The following workshops have been scheduled so far. More will be added throughout the county as they are arranged for:

- May 15, Presque Isle Community Center, 1:30-3:30
- May 21, North Lakeland Discovery Center, 2:00-4:00
- May 23, Trees For Tomorrow, Eagle River, 1:00-4:30 (see note below)
- May 27, Presque Isle Community Center, 1:30-3:30

**NOTE:** The May 23 workshop is intended for the 14 college students who will be providing over 5,000 hours of CBCW services this summer. While the public is welcome to attend (as space permits), this session will be considerably longer than the 1.5 – 2 hour refresher workshops being conducted elsewhere.

Date	Waterbody Name	County	Landing Location		While conducting inspection go over following prevention steps with boater.								# of people contacted			
Inspection Time	Boat Was	Questions	Have you been contacted by a watercraft inspector this season?		Are you willing to answer a few questions.....?		Was boat used during the past 5 days on a different body of water?		If yes, where? Water body Name County/State		Boater understanding: Why is this an important step to prevent the spread of invasives species to WI waters?		Did you share this bait message with angler?			
			Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Don't know	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	

Prompts are explained on the 2<sup>nd</sup> page. Scroll down



**Boater Understanding Question-Criteria for a "Y" Answer**

**Steps 1&2- INSPECT AND REMOVE**- Plants and/or animals can attach to boats and/or equipment and be transported to water.

**PROMPT if boater does not understand the importance of this step**- Plants and animals can easily attach to boat/equipment or become entangled in boat motors and fishing lines. If the boat then enters another lake/river those materials may be transported to that lake spreading AIS.

**Step 3-DRAIN BOAT AND EQUIPMENT** Tiny plant fragments, animals and/or diseases can be transported through water left in boats or equipment and may be released into the next water body visited.

**PROMPT if boater does not understand the importance of this step**- Many organisms such as spiny water flea, juvenile zebra mussels, or plant fragments (use organisms that are of concern in your area) are microscopic and invisible to the naked eye and easily transported in water from one water body to the next.

**Step 4-DRAIN LIVEWELLS AND CONTAINERS HOLDING CATCH** Lake/river water used to transport fish in live wells and containers can also contain tiny plant fragments and/or animals/pathogens which can be transported and released into the next water body.

**PROMPT if boater does not understand the importance of this step**- Similar to Step 3, water used to hold your catch can transport tiny organisms when released to a different water body. Even potable water from home may become contaminated with AIS once a fish from the lake is placed in the water. Viruses such as Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS) and other diseases can be transferred through fish fluids.

**LIVE BAIT RULES/MESSAGE**- If bait (minnows) come in contact with water that contains AIS, the bait or water within the container can carry AIS and might be transported to another water body. Similar to Steps 3 and 4, water used to hold your bait can transport tiny organisms when released to different water body as can the bait itself if exposed to lake/river water with AIS.

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2014 Summer Institute

# Indigenous Arts and Sciences for Schools and Communities



Learn how to monitor and care for environmental resources, using Ojibwe perspectives of land and water stewardship. This workshop will show you how to design and implement a stewardship project in your school or community through engaging interdisciplinary activities that explore science, math, social studies, art, and more. Teachers, informal educators, community members, and families are all encouraged to participate in a week of exciting outdoor experiences!

#### GENERAL INFORMATION:

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Grades:** Curriculum is designed for 4K-12 students, including special subjects (art, music, technology, etc.) and special needs.

#### LOCATIONS:

- Lac du Flambeau – Natural Resources Department (July 14-18)  
Contact: Claire Shaller, [cshaller@wisc.edu](mailto:cshaller@wisc.edu), (608) 262-9925
- Ashland – Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center (July 28 – August 1)  
Contact: Fawn YoungBear-Tibbetts, [fawnybt@gmail.com](mailto:fawnybt@gmail.com), (715) 681-1312

Session options include 1) restoration basics, 2) digital storytelling, 3) watershed inquires at Bad River, Red Cliff or Lac du Flambeau

**Credits:** 3 special student graduate credits from the UW-Madison, **tuition waived.**

**Includes:** Curriculum guides, team activities, cross-curricular connections, supplies/resources for the classroom, expert leaders, field trips.

**To Register:** Site contacts will provide you with an application packet (overview, teacher/family application form, and school administrator letter).

**Come with your colleagues! We recommend teams of 3-6 teachers, parents, and community members from your school!**