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**O.W.L.**  
**Organization of Woodland Lake**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**June 4, 2025, 7:00 P.M.**  
**Agenda**

- A). **Call to Order**
- B). **Minutes from June 12, 2024, O.W.L. Annual General Meeting**
- C). **Election of Trustees**
- D). **Reports of O.W.L. Board Officers and Committees**
  - 1. 2025 O.W.L. Budget, Treasurer's Report and SAD funding
  - 2. 2025 Woodland Lake Weed Control Program
  - 3. 2025 Woodland Lake Dam Report
  - 4. 2025 Water Quality Program
  - 5. 2025 Goose Nest Destruction and Roundup
- E). **Old Business:**
- F). **New Business:** **New Residential Developments on Woodland Lake**
- G). **Call to Public**
- H). **Adjourn**



Organization of Woodland Lake  
Annual General Meeting  
June 12, 2024  
BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP HALL

Anita G. called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Trustees present: \*

Anita Grapentien, President *	John Guidobono *
Doug Mancini, Vice-President *	Cheryl Waslewski *
Bill Loughhead, Secretary *	Dan Loiselle
Tim Happ, Treasurer *	Doug Mancini *
John Robison *	Stuart Myers *
Tim Roberts *	Lorrie Haydon *
John Boland *	Doug Taylor *
Katie Tierney	Russ Ward *
Jim Kahut *	

Minutes from May 17, 2023; Annual General Meeting:

Tim Happ moved to accept the minutes. Tim Happ seconded, all in agreement, motion carried.

**ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

Nominees for the 2024-2025 OWL Board:

Returning members: Stan Lawrence, John Boland, John Guidobono, Doug Mancini, Doug Taylor, Tim Roberts and new members:

Lorrie Haydon, Stuart Myers and Jim Kahut

Tim Roberts moved that the 8 people nominated, be elected to the Owl Board, Tim Williams seconded. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT - Tim Happ**

Copies of the Treasurer's Report & the proposed 2024-2025 budget were distributed at the meeting.

Tim Happ mentioned that the SAD funding would go up by 3% which is from \$272.95 to \$281.39 and will be voted on at our next board meeting.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Stan Lawrence, seconded by Tim Williams. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the Budget report by John Guidobono, seconded by Tim Roberts. Motion carried

**COMITEE REPORTS**

**Weed Control**

Anita reported that the first weed treatment was done on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Dam**

Doug Mancini reported on the dam inspections of the earthen portion of the dam. All inspections of the dam for the past six or seven years have been similar. The seepage appears to be springs.

**Causeway Dam Report**

Anita Grapentien reported that the Causeway Dam project has been given final approval by EGLE. Also, the Dam inspection is due next year.

**Water quality**

Doug Taylor distributed a handout at the meeting. In summary, he talked about not fertilizing our lawns, not burning leaves near the lake, do not blow leaves in the lake, and clean out septic tanks for those homes that do not have sewers. Also that, the algae is caused by warm weather and phosphorus and the turbidity of the water is caused by boats, wake boats and algae.

**Goose Roundup**

The nest destruction was completed and the goose roundup was cancelled by EGLE as a result of the bird flu.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Website is up and running. Website is: woodlandlake.info

**NEW BUSINESS**

Woodland Lake apparel is available at Ivory vines in Brighton or ivoryvines .com.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

None.

**Adjourn:**

Move to adjourn by Tim Happ. Seconded by John Robison. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

## **FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT**

Hello Woodland Lake Neighbors!

Welcome all new residents to Woodland Lake! Hopefully it will not be long before you can go out and enjoy all the fun outdoor summer activities we look forward to on the lake. The winter of 2024-2025 has come and gone and we are busy preparing for the warm sunny days of summer. It is so refreshing to see all the beautiful landscape colors coming back all around us leaving the grey overcast clouds behind. More information regarding Woodland Lake issues can be found at our website [WOODLANDLAKE.INFO](http://WOODLANDLAKE.INFO).

Over the winter, your OWL Board Members have continued consulting with various Lake Restoration Companies to address the algae that persists in our lake. For a second year we will be using the TimberChar Filter Bags in an effort to avoid the water quality and water clarity issues we have experienced over the last several years. YOUR COOPERATION with this project is NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL OF IMPROVED WATER QUALITY. We do appreciate all your efforts. Additional information will be available at the OWL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Wednesday June 4, 2025, at 7:00 pm. Brighton Twp. Offices 4363 Buno Rd., Brighton, MI. in the large Conference Room Lower Level.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF WOODLAND LAKE (O.W.L.) is scheduled for WEDNESDAY June 4, 2025, at Brighton Twp. Hall, 4363 Buno Rd. located in the lower-level large conference room from 7:00-9:00. This MEETING IS PREPARED FOR YOU, the residents of Woodland Lake. Our bylaws require the O.W.L. Board to schedule one General Meeting each year. The O.W.L. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING is the ONE and ONLY meeting that we ask all lakefront property owners to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to keep all members informed about the projects that The O.W.L. Board has been working on throughout the year and the projects planned for 2025. A quorum is required to conduct the business necessary to ensure that timely Lake Management programs can be scheduled for the 2025 season. An APPROVED budget is NECESSARY to provide Weed and Algae treatments, water quality testing, and Dam Inspection, etc. The budget report identifies where your SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (SAD) dollars are spent and forecasts the anticipated expenditures for 2025. If a quorum is not present, the by-laws mandate that The O.W.L. Board reschedule another meeting at a later date. This causes significant hardship for the Lake Board members. We would have to schedule another date at the Twp. And pay another \$60.00 an hour to rent the room. Rescheduling is very labor intensive because the reports contain time sensitive material that would have to be revised. Throughout the year, your elected Board Members have been working on many aspects of Lake Management in an effort to maintain the quality of life on Woodland Lake. PLEASE, PLEASE ! PLAN TO ATTEND THIS VERY IMPORTANT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, WEDNESDAY June 4, 2025, 7:00-9:00 Brighton Twp. Hall, 4363 Buno Rd., lower-level large conference room. WE NEED YOUR INPUT. I am including a copy of the minutes from the 2024 meeting in this mailing. In an effort to save time, I ask that you read the minutes prior to the General Meeting. A motion to accept or revise the minutes is required for the record. A copy of the agenda is also included. Thank You!

### **LAKE TREATMENT NOTICE**

MDEQ-EGLE has approved the permit for O.W.L.'s 2025, WEED CONTROL PROGRAM. Included in this mailing is a 'LAKE TREATMENT NOTICE'. It is a list of the approved chemicals MDEQ-EGLE will allow us to use to control various types of Non-Native Invasive Vegetation and Algae in the lake. Aqua-Weed Control, the chemical applicator, will post BRIGHT YELLOW NOTICES on the LAKE SIDE of every property at least one day prior to the chemical treatment. This will allow residents time to turn off their irrigation systems if they use the lake water for irrigation and to adjust their planned water activities. OWL does NOT treat on Weekend or Holidays. Treatments are scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. In the case of inclement weather an alternate date will be posted on the notice. PLEASE WATCH FOR THESE NOTICES. They contain important information regarding what chemical is being applied, the water use restrictions for swimming, fishing and when irrigation can resume.

### **GOOSE ROUND UP 2025**

OH NO, NOT AGAIN! YES, MDEQ-EGLE has cancelled the GOOSE ROUND UP for 2025 because of AVIAN BIRD FLU. However, we are still allowed to destroy the nest and remove the eggs in order to control the geese population.

## WATER QUALITY

At the annual O.W.L. meeting Doug Taylor will summarize the results of the Annual Water Quality report produced by David Jude, Limnologist. Doug and Claudia do periodic Secchi disc readings, then report their findings to David Jude. David also takes water samples from various parts of the lake in the spring and summer, analyzes his samples and the Secchi disk readings then prepares an in-depth annual report on the condition of the lake water quality. Turbidity in the water has steadily increased the last couple of years due to the introduction of the wave energy produced by wake / wave boats. This wave energy produced disturbs the lake bottom sediment that causes the release of phosphorus into the water column which in turn causes algae blooms. An in-depth study on the effects of wake boats on lakes was conducted by the University of Minnesota and the St. Anthony Falls Laboratory. Their published report on the findings can be found on Google "UNM Boat Generated Waves Report". If you are an owner of a wake / wave boat, PLEASE OPERATE YOUR BOAT RESPONSIBLY 500 feet, YES 500 feet AWAY FROM THE SHORELINE into the deeper part of the lake. Woodland Lake is a shallow lake with an average depth of 7 feet. Suggested depth for wake/wave boats is 15-20 feet. Damage has been documented around the lake to docks, boats, and seawalls. O.W.L. is researching different options to mitigate this turbidity problem.

If you see blue green algae, please be advised that humans and pets should avoid contact with the water. In an effort to improve the water quality of the lake, the OWL Board members have researched several potential remedies. Many lakes within the United States are experiencing similar problems as ours with water turbidity. The various processes other lakes have experimented with are interesting. Bubblers, Aerators, Chemicals (liquid & granular) are examples. All have varied results. It is very difficult to compare one lake to another due to the various factors that contribute to the problem being addressed. Each lake is unique in its environment. Weather, water temperature, contour, depth, development around the lake, frequency of use, presence of a dam or not, public access or not, the size of the watershed, types of vegetation, types of fish, types of waterfowl and lake bottom are just a few of the elements to consider when comparing lakes.

PLEASE DO NOT, I REPEAT, DO NOT FEED THE GEESE OR DUCKS. THE FECES THAT ERODES FROM YOUR LAWN INTO THE LAKE CONTRIBUTES MORE PHOSPHORUS THAN THE FERTILIZER YOU MIGHT USE. Many public beaches have to be closed throughout the summer because of the E.coli that is deposited by the waterfowl feces. IT HAS BEEN DOCUMENTED BY THE DNR THAT A GOOSE DEFICATES ON AVERAGE 28 TIMES A DAY. That is a lot of contamination going into the lake. The Avian Bird Flu has exploded this year and has even infested cattle, chickens, and turkeys. We are all in this together, PLEASE DO YOUR PART.

OWL has contacted several Lake Restoration Companies during their search for a process that would restore the water quality. Unfortunately, there is no quick or cheap solution. Although the product that was implemented in 2023 was effective at reducing the phosphorus by 27 %, a 10-year plan to do the entire lake was just cost prohibitive. At the MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 OWL Board meeting a motion was proposed to reuse the "TimberChar tm" product. The Board voted yes to approve the motion. This is a very unique product that ATTRACTS & ABSORBS phosphorus and nitrogen and other contaminants in a sock type material 24 inches long and 8 inches in diameter. It is tied to your dock, with rope, requires no electricity, is not a chemical, is EPA approved, has no smell, is unharmed to humans, pets, and the Lake ecosystem. It is re-used year after year. You can get details on this product by Googling "TimberChar". Every resident will receive one new filter bag to use in combination with the previous three bags distributed last year (2024). All that is required from YOU is to tie them to your dock as soon as possible and enjoy the summer. THAT'S IT! What could be simpler. All necessary equipment to install them will be included, Filter Bags, Rope & Noodles (for shallower areas). Critical Water Quality Discussion at Annual Meeting. Water quality concerns will be addressed. Be sure to check your email regularly for important updates from [Info@woodlandlake.info](mailto:Info@woodlandlake.info). Your support & cooperation are essential for the health of our lake.

## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON WOODLAND LAKE

A Developer, Mitch Harris, is requesting a zoning change to the 20+ acres north of party Island from an R1 zoning district to a PUD in order to allow greater housing density for his project. He presently proposes 37 single family homes, 8 of which would be waterfront with a dock, plus 8 detached condos, 2 would be waterfront. 5 of the lots would abut the irreplaceable wetland area that must be protected. The wetlands filter a lot of the contaminants that enter the lake from various sources. Additionally, Woodland Lake has exceeded the recommended capacity of boats on the lake. There is public access to Woodland Lake, the only public access on any inland lake within Brighton Twp. The property for this development has access from WOODLAND HILLS NORTH and SOUTH SUBDIVISIONS, located off of Hunter Road. These environmental and safety concerns should be addressed. The rezoning request, if approved, should address all of OWL's concerns. The Brighton Twp. Planning Commission will be scheduling a PUBLIC HEARING regarding this rezoning request, possibly sometime in June. There will be legal notices posted in the Livingston Daily Press. Please look for the re-zoning proposal PUBLIC HEARING date on the Planning Commission Agenda which is available on the Brighton Twp. Website. We need to protect this valuable Township asset, Woodland Lake. We will discuss this issue further at the Annual OWL General Meeting June 4, 2025, Brighton Twp. Hall.

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**\*\*This notice is required for each Lake/Pond resident, to be distributed between 7 - 45 days prior to first treatment (per EGLE rules)\*\***

## **TREATMENT NOTICE**

**RESIDENTS IN THIS AREA ARE PLANNING TO HAVE THE WATERS IN THIS AREA TREATED WITH HERBICIDES AND ALGAECIDES FOR CONTROL OF AQUATIC WEEDS AND/OR ALGAE.**

This notice is being circulated as required by the Environment, Great Lakes & Energy (EGLE) rules. A permit for the treatment has either been secured or will be secured from EGLE before the work is begun. In some cases, a permit is not required.

You are receiving this notice if you are in the proposed treatment area, or if you are within 100 feet of the proposed treatment area. In some cases, we also provide this notice to persons in adjacent subdivisions as an informational courtesy to advise persons who may have beach rights but are not lakefront residents.

We usually work with groups of homeowners or their elected representatives through homeowners' associations, or with the owners of apartment or condominium units. Please try to contact any of these in your situation if you have any questions about the proposed treatment plan.

**Aqua-Weed Control, Inc. typically performs two types of treatments: algae control and weed control.**

**Algae Control** - If we are doing only an algae control treatment using only copper-based products then no water use restrictions apply. We will post the shoreline with yellow signs informing you of this work as required by EGLE.

- q Lakes - Typically lake shorelines are treated twice during the summer.
- q Ponds - Expect several algae control treatments during the summer beginning in late April thru September.

**Weed Control / Water Dye** - If we are treating for weeds, or using blue dye, or using some non-copper algae control products then there are restrictions on the use of the water, and we will post the shoreline with yellow signs before these products are applied to the water body as required by EGLE.

We treat each water body according to a schedule or seasonal plan worked out between the persons in charge and an aquatic manager. A typical plan will include multiple treatments from May thru August and possibly September. However, due to the differences in season plans and the uncertainty of weather, please watch your shoreline for the posting of the yellow signs throughout the summer.

**Typical lake weed control treatment patterns:**

- q If your lake is to be treated with Fluridone then you can expect treatment in late April or early May and then again in mid May.
- q If your lake is to be treated for weeds using other herbicides, then you can expect two treatments a summer. The first being in late May or early to mid June. The second application typically is done in mid to late July or early August depending on weed growth patterns. In a few cases a third touch-up weed application may be required.
- q Ponds are typically treated for weeds twice each summer.

**IN MOST CASES YOUR WATER BODY WILL BE TREATED MORE THAN ONCE EACH SEASON; CHECK THIS WITH YOUR ASSOCIATION.**

The posted signs will indicate the date of the treatment, the product name, the active ingredient, and any restrictions as to the use of the water for swimming, watering lawns and the consumption of fish taken from these waters. We use NEW SIGNS for each treatment.

When more than one product is used, the restrictions longest limits will be posted. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT YOUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OR NEIGHBORS WHO ARE IN CHARGE OF THE TREATMENT OR YOUR APARTMENT OR CONDOMINIUM MANAGER. If they cannot answer your questions, we can be reached at the number on the other side of this notice.

Only products which have been registered for use in the aquatic environment by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and the US Environmental Protection Agency are used.

We anticipate using one or more of the products listed. Please be aware of the restrictions on each product. If EGLE changes any restrictions, they will be noted on the signs we post.



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## PRODUCTS & RESTRICTIONS: (Information below is from product labels. When 2 or more labels exist for a single active ingredient the most stringent information is provided)

**Diquat Dibromide:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Do not use treated water to irrigate turf or non-food crops for a period of three [3] days after treatment. Do not use the treated water for watering food crops, animal watering (farm stock – not incidental drinking by a domestic pet) or drinking purposes for a period of five [5] days after treatment. There is no restriction on fish consumption. Diquat dibromide is the active ingredient. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Reward, Tribune AquaStrike (Diquat + Endothall).*

**2,4-D (ester and amine):** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours. Do not use treated water for irrigating plants, mixing sprays for agricultural or ornamental plants, watering dairy animals, or domestic water supplies for 21 days. "Irrigation" includes watering gardens –however it does NOT include established grasses. Domestic use means using lake water inside your house. There is no restriction on fish consumption. 2,4-D is the active ingredient. *Common trade names for this product: Navigate, Sculpin G, Renovate Max G (also contains Tricopyr)*

**Tricopyr:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Do not use treated water for irrigation of any plants except turf grass for 120 days or until the active ingredient has dissipated below a non-detectable level as determined by water testing (usually after 2 weeks). This restriction does not apply to established turf grass watering. There is no restriction on fish consumption. Tricopyr is the active ingredient. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Renovate 3, Renovate OTF, Renovate Max G and Navitrol. (Note: Renovate Max G also contains 2,4-D)*

**Endothall:** Do not use treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Endothall is the active ingredient in each of these products. *No swimming, fishing or watering restrictions exist on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Aquathol-K, Super Aquathol-K, Hydrothol-191 (liquid and granular)*

**Fluridone:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). It is suggested that lawn and garden watering be restricted from 7 to 30 days at the extreme. The suggested number of days depends on the rate applied and whether you are on a lake or canal and the type of irrigation. When parts per billion (PPB) concentrations of fluridone reach 5 PPB or less there are NO irrigation restrictions. Established turf and tree irrigation restrictions expire (NO restriction) at 10 PPB or less. Most fluridone applications permitted in Michigan are applied at 6 PPB or less! The sign we post when we treat will give the details for your area. Fluridone is the active ingredient. There is no restriction on fish consumption. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Avast!, Sonar, SonarOne, Sonar Genesis*

**Water Dye:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). No restriction for fishing and watering. Organic dye (food grade) is the active ingredient. *The label restriction for swimming is "several hours" after application or after even mixing throughout the water body. Common trade names for this product: Cygnet Select, Cygnet Extreme, Pure Blue, Paradise Blue.*

**Copper based algacides:** NO WATER USE RESTRICTIONS. Copper is the active ingredient. Informational posting only. *Common trade names for this product: Alligare Argos, Copper Sulfate, Cutrine (Plus, Ultra), Captain (XTR), K-Tea, Symmetry, SeClear, SeClear G, F-30.*

**Copper based herbicides:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Copper is the active ingredient. No restriction for fishing and watering. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Nautique, Komeen, Harpoon (liquid and granular), Current.*

**Sodium Carbonate Peroxyhydrate:** No water use restrictions. The active ingredient is a strong oxidizer. *Common trade names for this product are: Green Clean PRO, Green Clean Granular, PAK 27, Phycomycin.*

**Glyphosate:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). No restriction for fishing and watering. The active ingredient is Glyphosate. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Shoreklear, Shoreklear-Plus, Aqua-Star, Glyphosate 5.4, Aquapro, Aquaneat.*

**Imazamox:** Do not use the treated water for swimming or irrigation for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). No restriction for fishing and watering. The active ingredient is Imazamox. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Clearcast, Top Deck, Castaway.*

**Flumioxazin:** Do not use the treated water for swimming or irrigation for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Lawn and garden watering is restricted for 1 day after treatment. Do not use the treated water for watering food crops, animal watering (farm stock – not incidental drinking by a domestic pet) or drinking purposes for a period of five [5] days after treatment. No restriction for fishing. The active ingredient is Flumioxazin. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Clipper, Propeller, Schooner, Flumigard.*

**Florpyrauxifen-Benzyl:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Do not use treated water for irrigation of any plants except turf grass for 14 days or until the active ingredient has dissipated below a non-detectable level as determined by water testing (usually after 2 weeks). This restriction does not apply to established turf grass watering. There is no restriction on fish consumption. The active ingredient is Florpyrauxifen-benzyl. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: ProcellaCOR EC*

**Carfentrazone:** Do not use the treated water for swimming for 24 hours (EGLE restriction). Do not use treated water for irrigation of any plants except turf grass for 14 days if more than 20 % of the waterbody was treated. This restriction does not apply to established turf grass watering. Do not use the treated water for animal watering (farm stock – not incidental drinking by a domestic pet), or drinking purposes for a period of one day after treatment. There is no restriction on fish consumption. The active ingredient is Carfentrazone. *No swimming restriction exists on the federal label of this product. Common trade names for this product: Stingray.*

*This notice contains information that is the latest available at time of printing. We update this notice as required to keep all data current. Updated versions of this notice and product labels are available at our website. ([www.aquaweed.com](http://www.aquaweed.com))*

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