

OTTER TAIL LAKE'S PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOC. INC.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 28th 2026 6:00PM

Ottertail Community Center

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order by President Gerken. Members present: Oxberry, Tysdal, Long, Carlisle, Skogen, Young, Hunke, and Mouritsen Absent: Ness, Swanson, Gemelli, Wendt, and Wentz

Approval of Agenda- unanimously approved as distributed

Approval of Minutes-unanimously approved as distributed

Presidents Report- Gerken discussed comments from members, discussed content for LSN.

Committee Reports

Membership- membership as of May 28th- **575**. More Discussion on mailing lists, what one are we using. Skogen spoke about using Geo fencing that should improve our mailing lists.

Auditing/Finance- Nothing at this time

DNR/GOV'T- Nothing at this time

Water Testing- Blanche -19ft, Deer-15ft, Long-5ft, Ottertail-18ft, 17ft

COLA- COLA's 1st meeting is June16th

Communications/Lakeshore News- Skogen discussed mailing lists for LSN

Website-Nothing at this time

Facebook –Nothing at this time

Worm- Gerken will check with pilot regarding spraying.

Foundation-Nothing at this time

Social- Kemling reported date of Aug.20th at Thumper Pond for annual meeting.

Speakers are Luke Schalekamp from the DNR and Amanda Schuermann who is the lead researcher for swimmer's itch project at MAISRC

Swimmer's Itch committee- Nothing at this time

Old Business-Buoys-the board discussed if the board should continue placing the buoys on Ottertail Lake. After a lengthy discussion and weighing the benefits of continuing to provide the buoys for OT Lake, the Board felt that the best way going forward to do would be to continue to place the lake buoys, through a known contractor who has familiarity with the lake.

Despite comments regarding buoy placement not being exactly on top of a rock or other hazards, the Board felt that the existence of the buoys in the general locations where they are placed will at least alert boaters, especially those who are new to the lake, to the existence of a potential navigational hazard in the area and it would serve to warn boaters to proceed with caution in those general vicinities. Boaters also have a responsibility to be aware that the lake they are on may have high/low water issues, along with other issues and need to act responsibly and safely.

Clean-Up day, Carlisle discussed plans for clean-up day regarding budget, prizes. More will be discussed at June meeting. Long will check on graphic designer for boat throws. Motion made for a \$5,000.00 budget and asking the Foundation to split the costs for Clean-up Day.

Directory-Skogen will discuss the directory with Ed at Battle Lake Review.

New Business- Hunke discussed DocksensIQ, a program that tracks lake temperature, no action taken by the board.

Closed Session-Nothing at this time

Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM

Next meeting is June 25th, 2026 6:00PM

