

**LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Meeting Minutes**

The Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District meeting on Saturday, April 25,
2026 at 8:00 AM at the **Lauderdale Lakes Community Center** located at
N7511 Sterlingworth Drive,
Elkhorn, WI 53121

Agenda

1. Roll Call

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| • Dean Bostrom | Present |
| • Jane Larsen | Present |
| • Mike Cochrane | Present |
| • Ken Parytko | Present |
| • Ed Stygar | Present |
| • Don Sukala | Present |
| • Brian Holt | Not Present |

2. Approve Agenda

The agenda was approved with a motion by Ken Parytko and seconded by Mike Cochrane

3. Approval of Minutes of January 24, 2026 Meeting

The minutes were approved with a motion by Mike Cochrane and seconded by Ken Parytko

4. Open Comments

5. Water Patrol Agreement Amendment

- The Water Patrol Agreement had to be amended since Sugar Creek decided not to participate.
- The Amendment was approved with a motion by Don Sukala and seconded by Mike Cochrane

6. Clubhouse Update/Committee Updates

Clubhouse

- The clubhouse is fully operational, but the parking lot needs to be paved for the clubhouse to be used at full capacity.
- The club storage building is 80% complete. Completion is expected in May.
- The finances for the clubhouse, which was open in the winter for the first time, will be reviewed to make sure it is self-sustainable.

Land Planning

- Alternate plans are being developed for the community center.
- The current building is functional, but long-range plans are in development in case of future issues.

Fundraising

- The fundraising committee raised over \$118,000 over two years.
- The paver program is on hold.
 - There are 12 pavers coming in that were previously ordered.
 - There are plans to reintroduce it to extend the outdoor fireplace seating area.
- The tree tribute program is ongoing.
 - Twelve trees have been planted.
 - The cost is \$1200, which includes a plaque.

Communications

- The Lake District's website needs a major overhaul. The goal is to launch the website before the annual meeting.

Dam Update

- The dam was monitored during the heavy rain in April.
 - The water level rose 3-4 inches.
 - The culverts, updated in 2009, prevent the lake from rising too high.

Clubhouse Parking Lot Resurfacing

- The current traffic flow in the parking lot is two-directional, with entry and exit points on both Sterlingworth and Country Club Drive. This creates a hazard, especially with golf carts and residents on Country Club Drive. The plan is to develop a plan to address this issue.
- Jack McAndrews agreed to take on the parking lot improvement project.
- Occupancy is 118 (111 upstairs, 7 downstairs) based on existing parking.
- The basement cannot be used until the parking lot is expanded.
- The parking lot will have angular parking and be one-way off Country Club Drive, exiting on Sterling work.
- The number of parking spaces needed is 72, and the plan provides 73 spaces, enabling the use of the basement with a public capacity of 49 people.
- The county does not recognize the dirt area as parking. The main drive will be paved all the way around.
- The cost is \$184,250 (everything minus signage).
- It's important to acknowledge Jack McAndrews' significant role in making the clubhouse construction possible.

A motion by Ken Patryka and seconded by Jane Larsen was approved to pave the clubhouse parking lot for a cost of \$184,000, including the deferral of \$34,250, but to request a larger deferral amount. The target is mid-May completion.

7. Chairman's Report

- There was an update on trimming the trees at the golf course.

8. Project Reports

Aquatic Plant Management Plan

- Working with the South East Wisconsin Regional Planning Committee (SEWRPC) on a five-year aquatic plant management plan, which is needed to get our weed harvesting permit.
 - Submitted to the DNR a little over a month ago. We are awaiting DNR feedback.
- Found a new invasive species called starry stonewort last September.
 - DNR expert will provide advice on what can/can't be done regarding this invasive species.

Harvester Refurbishment (1991 Unit)

- Refurbishment was delayed due to a technician operator leaving Aquarius.
 - The estimated new completion is mid-July.
 - Aquarius will provide a rental unit for \$1 in the meantime.
- In the queue with the Wisconsin Waterways Commission for grant money to pay for half of the harvester refurbishment costs.
- Harvesting starts probably sometime in late May.

Purple Loosestrife Contract

- Purple Loosestrife contract with McLeod Aquatics is signed and agreed upon to provide invasive plant removal this summer season.

HVAC Maintenance Contract & Fire Marshal Visit

- Received HVAC maintenance contract proposals from Kettle Moraine and O'Leary.
 - O'Leary is 40% cheaper than Kettle Moraine, so we will move forward with O'Leary.
- Fire marshal visit: Everything is in check.

Water Patrol Boat

- The new water patrol boat was delivered to the Boathouse in the beginning of April

- Finishing touches are being added.
 - Chief Dan Markus will take it to a specialty outfitter for lights and tower.
 - Expected to be ready by the end of May.
- The old boat can be used until the new one is ready.

Dam Inspections

- Quarterly dam inspections are being conducted.
- Minor maintenance is needed for landscaping to fight off erosion.

Water Patrol Education & Septic Pumping

- There will be two, two-day boating safety classes at the LaGrange Town Hall; June 12-13 and July 11-12. Information is on the WI DNR website.
- Septic pumping has started. Information is being shared on Facebook and Nextdoor.com.

Clean Boats, Clean Waters & Kiosk

- Hiring new part-time people and seeking volunteers for the Clean Boats, Clean Waters program.
- The Kiosk at the West Shore Dr launch is completed.
 - Will be filled with information on the sailing club, safety information, fishing, and events.
- Proposing another kiosk at the Sterlingworth boat launch.

Golf Course

- The golf course has been open for a few weeks.
- Sue Markus, a master gardener, is leading a volunteer group to maintain the manicured areas around the clubhouse and golf course. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Kristy.

9. Treasurer's Report

Financials for 2025

- The district for the year 2025 had revenue in excess of expenses of \$125,000.
- Reserve transfers are \$52,000.
- \$65,000 transfer to the Water Safety Patrol left an increase in cash in the district of \$8,500 and an ending balance of \$100,589.

Water Safety Patrol

- Had \$154,000 of revenue, which included \$65,000 from the Lake District, \$58,900 from DNR, \$27,000 from LaGrange, and \$3,300 from Pleasant Lake, and \$106.
- Total revenue of \$154,000 and total expenses of \$106,000, resulting in an excess of \$48,000.

Reserves

- Aquatic Plant Management reserves in the amount of \$56,000 was spent on a new truck, leaving \$260 in the reserve.
- Water patrol: \$91,000 (before the boat was purchased).
- The golf equipment reserve was \$8,100.
- Watershed study: \$28,000.

Clubhouse Activity

- End of 2025: \$61,000 in reserves.
- For the three months ended March 31, for the clubhouse, tax levies came in, and then there were expenses.
- Balances due: Adams Electric, furniture, and the first line loan payment of \$105,000.
- The \$61,000 at the end of 2025 is down to \$14,000.

10. Next Meeting Date - June 6, 2026, 8 am at the community center

11. Adjournment was approved with a motion by Don Sukala that was seconded by Ed Stygar