

**MAPLE GROVE
LAKE QUALITY
COMMISSION MINUTES
February 16, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER A meeting of the Lake Quality Commission (LQC) was held on February 16, 2022 in the Mayor's Conference at the Maple Grove Government Center, 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway, Maple Grove

Becky Fahrenbruch called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Becky Fahrenbruch – Chair - Eagle Lake
George Schneider – Rice Lake
Brennon O'Callaghan – Fish Lake
Nancy Bergstrand – Weaver Lake
Steve Lane – Cedar Island
Sharon Martin-Kotula – Edward Lake
Joe Ruegsegger – At Large

Commissioners Absent:

Ben Zaker – At Large

Others Present:

City Council Member LQC Liaison Karen Jaeger
Derek Asche, City of Maple Grove
Mark Lahtinen, City of Maple Grove
Ben Olson – Teal Lake
Diane Spector - Stantec

OATHS OF OFFICE Councilmember Jaeger gave oaths of office to Steve Lane and Sharon Martin-Kotula.

AREA REPORTS Rice Lake, George Schneider – Aerator may not be working as planned. Recent DO readings have indicated low dissolved oxygen levels.

Eagle Lake, Becky Fahrenbruch – Winter activity is less than last year although there are some ice rinks and fish houses. The Winter Festival will be on February 26, 2022 in the Balsam Lane Channel.

Fish Lake, Brennon O'Callaghan – FLARA is considering restocking bluegills this year. TRPD will have kids activities going on the 19th-20th of February. A DNR permit has been secured to remove cattails in the channel between Fish and Rice lakes. One boat was detected with zebra mussels in 2021 and it seems the launch inspections are having a positive effect. There is no indication of northern pike spearing this winter.

Cedar Island, Steve Lane – The aerator has been on since January 1st, 2022.

Edward Lake, Sharon Martin-Kotula – The aerator is running and there are some hockey rinks on the lake.

Weaver Lake, Nancy Bergstrand – Winter activities are down compared to last year. The white stem pondweed appears thick.

At Large, Joe Ruegsegger – There was recently a polar plunge on Fish Lake but the hole was left open and not well marked.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Minutes of the November 17, 2021 and January 19, 2022 LQC meetings were approved with one correction to the November 17, 2021 minutes. Nancy Bergstrand was present at the November meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE made by Schneider, second by Bergstrand. With all in favor the motion was APPROVED.

ELECTION OF
OFFICERS

Becky Fahrenbruch was nominated to serve as Chair. Joe Ruegsegger was nominated to serve as Vice-Chair.

MOTION TO APPROVE made by O’Callaghan, second by Schneider. With all in favor the motion was APPROVED.

SHINGLE CREEK
4TH GENERATION
PLAN

Diane Spector presented information on the Shingle Creek/West Mississippi process for updating their watershed management plan. Spector noted a number of watershed successes over the years including securing over \$3,000,000 in grant funding to support community projects, restoration of 3.2 miles of Shingle Creek, and the delisting of three lakes from the State impaired waters list. Spector also explained that this current update is required every 10 years and will include updating policies/goals, addressing emerging issues, promoting inclusivity, and enhancing education. Spector will be back to the LQC later in the Spring with more information.

2022 WORK PLAN

Asche presented the 2022 Work Plan as discussed at the January LQC meeting.

February – Work Plan, Shingle Creek 4th Generation Plan and LIP Process

March – LIP review and approval

April – Steve McComas Lake Monitoring Report

May – Shingle Creek 4th Generation Plan & Shingle Creek TMDL Updates

June – Edward Lake Tour if weeds are not too thick

July – Maple Grove Days

August – Fish Lake Tour

September – Eagle Lake Tour

October - NPDES MS4 Annual Meeting & Fish Lake Alum presentation

November – Fish/Rice Lake Carp Report and Presentation

December – Winter/Holiday Gathering

MOTION TO APPROVE made by Lane, second by Schneider. With all in favor the motion was APPROVED.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS The Chair will not be at the March LQC meeting. The Vice-Chair will serve in her place. The Rice Lake drawdown will end in late March by closing the dam.

FUTURE MEETING: March 16, 2022

ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.