

Annual Member Meeting 8.2.2026, 12 PM, held at the Lakes Bar & Grill

1. Call to Order

- President Teresa Boysen officially began the meeting at 12:00 PM and welcomed all members and guests in attendance.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Connie Korthals provided an overview of the financial status of the association, including budget allocations and previous expenditures.
- A motion to approve the financial report made by Penny Paclik, seconded by Eddie Fischer. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Guest Speakers

• John Bame, Game Fish & Parks

Talked about the expanded parking at Walkers Point State Park, the addition of the shelter and moved the cabins to the campground area.

• Cody Symens, Game Fish & Parks

Cody local conservation officer for Brookings, Lake, Moody and Minnehaha counties. Cody gave fishing report and stock numbers. Yellow perch are at a 10 year historic high. Walleye and white bass, small mouth bass numbers are good. Happy to report that we still don't have evidence of zebra mussels. Forth of July was very busy with minimal arrests. Wants to make sure permits are obtained for shoreline alterations

• Adam Aus, Lake County Patrol Sergeant

Adam talked about the Bitcoin scam. People are misrepresenting themselves as Adam himself. Just know the sheriffs office will not call and ask for get gift cards or money in an ATM to pay a fine or warrant. Jail numbers are higher, fortunately, they are generally not our residents, they are housing for DOT. Golf carts allowed in 25 MPH zones only, drivers must be 14 & licensed, make sure you have proper lighting for night driving. Sheriff's Dept has a new app, it is linked with emergency & weather alerts and includes warrant and jail reports.

• Daniel Buresh, Madison Fire Department

Dan talked about safety, 2026 has been very safe. Talked about ice incident last year which identified some deficiencies they can address. Dan is taking over Boater Safety with Cody next year. Last weekend they had electric vehicle training. Nunda, Ramona, Rutland, Madison, Chester and Wentworth fire departments went over safety aspects when encountering incidents with electric vehicles. In the next couple weeks they will be doing ISO training, this affects insurance rates, expecting positive results. They have several guys in the west fighting the fires in those areas, this brings in a lot of money to the fire department.

4. Membership Vote, led by President Teresa Boysen

- LMDA's goal is to have a representative from each zone on the Board, we still need someone from Sunset Harbor. Teresa thanked Jim Farquhar, Larry Kotten and Clint Sargent for service as they are not returning.
- Need to re-elect Mike Swiden and elect Mike Teslow, Dan Buresh and Troy Larson.
- A motion to re-elect and elect made by Murray Driggs and seconded by Jo Dohrer, motion passed unanimously.

5. Recreation Trail Expansion & Capital Campaign

- **Elaine Garry.** Presented information on the Recreational Trail Master Plan voted on in 2025. The plan is on the LMDA website which outlines phased construction approach, costs estimates, projected timeline and strategy to use public land to reduce the costs where possible. The plan is 11 miles with an estimate of \$1 million per mile for a total cost of \$10 million. LMDA has collaborated with the city of Madison. Envision a trail that circles Lake Madison to the city of Madison and through to Lake Herman. LMDA established two funds, a Construction Fund and a Maintenance Fund.
- **Troy Larson.** First phase is Scott Peterson Memorial Park to Walkers Point, initially a gravel trail, estimated at \$300,000 without any grants. If we get grants, the cost goes up to \$400,000. Phase 2 will be paved from Hillside to Smith's Cove at \$700,000. These are the easiest projects to get some momentum going for the Recreation trail.
- **Teresa Boysen.** Spoke about funding efforts. LMDA has received two grants, one each from Sioux Valley Energy and the other from the Kiwanis Club. Today we kick off the Capital Funding Campaign for Phase One. During our May 12 BOD meeting, Bob Van Liere made a motion to establish a \$50,000 matching fund from LMDA. Teresa invited everyone to be a part of building a trail to benefit the community. Directed everyone to the program handed out today. Includes the plan and links to the funds and a pledge form.

6. Adjournment

- The meeting concluded at 12:36pm with a motion to adjourn from Jo Dohrer and seconded by Troy Larson. Concluded with the drawing of door prizes and the beef bundle raffle.