

Draft Minutes Wixom Lake Improvement Board

Thursday, August 12, 2026

Held at Billings Township Hall, 1050 Estey Road, Beaverton, Michigan

1. **Called to Order** by Chair, **6:00 PM sharp**
2. Chair led Pledge of Allegiance
3. Secretary Hall, **Conducted Roll Call: Quorum Present**
 - a. Members Present: Jeanette Snyder, Robert Kelley, Terrance Hall, Larry Woodard, Liz Musselman, Tim Mester. Joe Sova, Norm Rosenbrock, Terry Walters
 - b. Members Absent/Excused:
 - c. Additionally present: Paul Hausler for Progressive Companies and Michael Pichla for PLM, Monty Wiseman – Venice Subdivision.
4. **Motion to Adopt Agenda as Amended** offered by Tim Mester, Seconded Terry Walters. **Voice Vote. Unanimous. Motion declared adopted.**
5. **Motion to Adopt Minutes of Wixom Lake Improvement Board from July 8th**, made by Larry Woodard seconded by Robert Kelley. **Voice Vote. Unanimous. Motion declared adopted.**
6. Communications and reports by Board Members, committees and consultants:
 - a. Lake Management presentation by Paul. Reviewed Project work Journal from July 15th . Drone survey was conducted identifying treatment areas. Mowing was being conducted in Muddy Bay. Reviewed Maps labeled Wixom Lake Gladwin County Michigan Mowing Areas 2025 and three page handout titled Wixom Canal Emergent {Phragmites and Cattails} Drone Survey July 15 2026. Purple areas are to be chemically treated. Blue will be mowed. Spraying has been and will continue to be done by back pack. So far about 60 to 70 acres treated. Large interior canal areas will be treated with drone or off-road vehicles. We have 6 to 8 week window to complete treatments this year. Invoice 6001330 dated July 30, 2026 was presented for payment. **Motion to pay Invoice 6001330 dated July 20, 2026 in the amount of \$2,800.00** Made by Larry Woodard support Robert Kelley. **Voice Vote. Unanimous. Motion declared adopted.**

- b. Chair received and read the Treasurer's Report. \$284,374.71 balance. **Motion to Accept Treasurer's Report, receive and file** by Larry Woodward support Tim Mester **Voice vote. Unanimous. Motion declared adopted**

7. Old Business:

- a. Progressive Companies- Paul Hausler and Michael Pekla (Was dealt with in Item 6a)

8. New Business:

- a. Updated Member List- Chair verified current member list and contact information.
- b. Monty Wiseman- Venice Subdivision- Venice subdivision is made up of 124 members: They ask "What is the WLIB plan for?"

8.b.i. To remediate the cattails, phragmites and trees in the WLIB SAD CDT's?

WLIB will utilize Progressive Companies and work with Wixom Lake Association to remediate. EGLE currently has granted a permit to treat 99 of 900+ acres of the SAD and CDTs. Treatment is underway. As reported today about 60 of the 99 acres have been treated using man-pack spray systems. There are 6 to 8 weeks left in this treatment cycle.

8.b.ii. Who Evaluates the effectiveness of the recent 2026 CDT spraying?

Progressive Companies is the unit currently employed to conduct, treat, evaluate, and implement the treatment plan for the spraying. The Board finds it very useful to have members go out and view the work. The Board also appreciates the members of the SAD providing the community with reactions to the efficacy of treatment. It Must Be Reemphasized our current permit only covers about 100 of the 900 plus acres of the SAD. Many will not see the results they hope to.

8.b.iii. How are the cattails and phragmites to be removed?

At this time there is no "Removal" Plan. The invasive and noxious weeds are treated in place with a chemical that kills them. Again, we have a permit to remediate about 100 acres. The purple areas on the maps submitted by Progressive Companies delineated the scheduled treatment areas. If your area is not purple there is no current plan to treat or remediate or remove.

8.b.iv. To Remediate Eurasian Milfoil?

Progressive Companies is the unit currently employed to conduct, treat, evaluate, and implement the treatment plan for invasive and noxious weed control. The current focus has not been on Eurasian Milfoil, We have focus on Tree Removal, and invasive and noxious weed mitigation. While some milfoil treatment may have occurred as a by product of current treatments it is not the priority at this time.

8.b.v. Status for the three areas on the main lake east of S. Pine St from WLIB Input Form

Request. No Change. Waiting for appropriate conditions.

8.b.vi. Dangerous Rocks on the Lake Bed east of S. Pine St.

Coordinates of the hazard were given to the Board. The Board directed the Chair to communicate with Four Lakes Task Force about possible remediation avenues. Removal of rocks is not in WLIB scope. Board pointed out that the whole lake has changed and it will not be the same as it was. People will need to exercise care and caution as the lake returns to ensure safe boating and recreation.

9. Public Comment: Opened 7:27 pm

- a. Jack Adam spoke on Whitney Beach spoke to hydro-dredging as a future option asked what the procedure was for going onto the bottom land to remove debris.
- b. Terry Stiers commented on how good the lake bottoms are coming. Specifically requested more help and attention to the canals.
- c. Jim Terrell notified the board about phragmites south of Brushhaber and asked. **“Should we be mowing as they go to seed?”**

10. Motion to Adjourn made Larry Woodard support Terry Walters **Voice Vote. Unanimous.**

Meeting Adjourned 7:35 pm

Respectfully, Terrance Hall, Secretary Wixom Lake Improvement Board.