



LAKE JOHN ASSOCIATION (LJA) ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA
JUNE 27, 2026 approximately 9:45 a.m. (following LID meeting)
South Haven City Hall, 521 Oak Ave, South Haven, MN 55382

Board of Directors (BOD)

OFFICERS

President Joleen Sytsma
Vice President Chuck Wachter
Treasurer Jon Bigalk
Secretary Michelle Sutton

SECTION REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1 Dennis Sjoberg
Section 2 Neysa Silver
Section 3 Open
Section 4 John Greenwood
Section 5 Becky Wachter
Section 6 Kim Larson

Agenda

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. INTRODUCTION OF LJA BOD & WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
5. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS & READING OF LJA OBJECTIVES
6. GUEST SPEAKER – Joe Shneider, President of MN Coalition of Lake Associations (MNCOLA)
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. June 28, 2025 Annual Meeting (attached [pg 4-8](#))
8. REPORTS
 - a. TREASURER
 - i. 2025 Annual Report (attached [pg 9-10](#))
 - ii. January 1 - May 31, 2026 Report (attached [pg 11-12](#))
 - iii. 2026 Membership To Date
 1. 2025 Member Count = 103
 2. 2026 YTD = 92
 - iv. 2027 Proposed Budget (attached [pg 13](#))
 - v. 2026 Ice Out Winner
9. LJA COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS SIGN UP
 - a. LAKE HEALTH & SAFETY
 - i. Water Quality (attached [pg 14](#))
 - ii. Water Level Monitoring (attached [pg 14](#))
 - iii. Recreational Safety
 1. PWC Mirror Clarification in Summer Newsletter – “Factory-installed or factory specified wide-field rearview mirrors are allowed instead of an observer when pulling a skier or other device (tube, kneeboard, etc.) but After market mirrors, stick-on mirrors, motorcycle mirrors, etc., do not qualify for the observer exemption.”
 - b. LAKE STEWARD PROGRAM
 - i. Lake John's Inaugural Lake Stewards:
 1. Bob & Elaine Fleskes
 2. John & Karina Greenwood
 3. Steve & Kelly Kosloski

- 4. Don & Sue Kunelius
- ii. Shoreland Guide to Lake Stewardship - Get your copy provided by your LJA dues
 - 1. Topics Covered
 - a. Sustainable Site Planning
 - b. Lake-Friendly Landscaping
 - c. Feeding the lawn Feeds the Lake
 - d. Reduce Environmental Hazards
 - e. Septic System Maintenance
 - f. Bring Your Shoreline to Life
 - g. Art of the Living Buffer
 - h. Good Habits for Great Lakes
 - i. Prevent Erosion
 - j. Aquatic Plants are NOT Weeds
 - k. Watercraft & Equipment Safety
 - l. Stop the Spread of AIS
 - m. MN Native Wildflowers and Shrubs
 - n. Invasive Terrestrial Plants
 - o. Aquatic Invasive Plants vs Native Look-alikes
- c. CULVERTS
 - i. Culvert Report and Monthly Monitoring
- d. WILDLIFE
 - i. Loons
 - ii. Eagles – Eagle's nest tree blew down in storm
 - iii. Fish stocking – every two years so will be stocked in 2026
- e. MIGRATING BOGS
 - i. LJA Bog Permit on LJA Website
 - ii. Current situation of bogs and bog removal
 - iii. Bog Committee Members Needed
- f. EVENTS PLANNING
 - i. LJA Golf Tournament – Saturday, Aug 22 at Southbrook Golf Course
 - ii. LJA Stewards Tour in August – date TBD

10. PRESIDENT

- a. ORGANAZATIONAL UPDATES
 - i. MN Coalition of Lake Associations (MN COLA) - <https://mncola.org/about/>
 - 1. Position Statement <https://mncola.org/wake-surfing/> based on U of M St Anthony Falls Research Study findings. See study and videos: <https://cse.umn.edu/safl/news/below-surface-new-study-considers-impacts-powerboats-lakes>
 - ii. Wright County Coalition of Lake Associations (WC COLA) - <https://wrightcola.mnlakesandrivers.org/>
 - 1. Boat Wrap Recycle Program – WC Recycling Facility, 5538 85th St NW, Maple Lake
 - iii. MN Lakes and Rivers Association (MLR) – <https://mnlakesandrivers.org/>
 - 1. 2026 MLR Recommended Wake Boating Area Lake John map – will be posted at public access (see map attached **pg 15**)
 - 2. MN Legislative update
 - 3. Become an individual member, lake associations don't vote in general elections
 - 4. MLR Aquatic Invaders Summit 2027 – March 9-10, 2027 in St. Paul - <https://mnlakesandrivers.org/summit27/>
 - iv. MN DNR
 - 1. Boater Education Training - Permit Required if born on or after 07/01/2000
 - 2. 2026 MNDNR Boating Guide - <https://files.dnr.state.mn.us/rlp/regulations/boatwater/boatingguide.pdf>
- b. COMMUNITY UPDATES
 - i. Lake John Community
 - 1. Directory - Review for name(s), addresses, email and cell phone accuracy – meant for LJA communication and networking ONLY and NOT marketing purposes
 - 2. Lake John Summer Newsletter
 - 3. Lake John Association Survey Results – in newsletter and email
 - ii. City Water/Sewer Expansion– expansion on pause, city applied for funding and was denied
 - iii. New Developments – Shores of Lake John received approval for the second phase for 10 lots

iv. Solar Field

1. Wright County approved an Interim Use Permit for a 3-MW solar energy farm by Lake John located off 67th Street NW developed by US Solar which occupies 15.6 acres – LJA opposed the project due to the proximity to Lake John and presented at the Public Hearing
2. **NEW** - Southside Township will review a variance request for a new solar farm on Nevens Ave NW at the **July 7, 2026 Southside Township meeting at 7:00pm**. The request seeks approval to place the project **1.5 miles from an existing solar farm**, which does not meet the required **two mile setback** in county zoning. (see attached map **pg 16**)

v. Wright County

1. Data Center Moratorium – Wright County unanimously enacted a one-year emergency moratorium on new data center applications allowing the county to study environmental, water, and power impacts and establish zoning regulations – LJA Vice President Chuck Wachter presented at Public Hearing in support of the 1 year moratorium

OPEN FORUM/LJA MEMBER COMMENTS

NEW BUSINESS

11.ACKNOWLEDGE OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

- a. Joleen Sytsma – President (unless re-elected)
- b. Jon Bigalk – Treasurer
- c. Neysa Silver - Section 2 Representative
- d. Mark Fournier - Section 3 Representative
- e. John Greenwood - Section 4 Representative (unless re-elected)
- f. Kim Larson - Section 6 Representative

12.2026 ELECTIONS - 2 year terms

- a. ELECTRONIC VOTING DESCRIPTION – CHUCK WACHTER, VP
- b. NOMINEE INTRODUCTIONS AND Q & A
 - i. President
 - ii. Treasurer
 - iii. Section 2 Representative
 - iv. Section 4 Representative
 - v. Section 6 Representative
 - vi. Special Election to Fill Section 3 Representative Vacancy (1 year term)

13.ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. 4th of July Fireworks – Owens Property: Kat Perkins (2nd place star of The Voice) and The Country Roads Band will play at 6pm. Fireworks at dusk
- b. MEETING SCHEDULE – Estimated schedule posted at the end of the agenda

14.ADJOURNMENT

LJA Meetings		LID Meetings	
<u>2026</u> July 13 - BOD September 14 - BOD	<u>2027</u> May 10 - BOD June 14 - BOD June 26- Annual Membership July 12 - BOD September 13 - BOD	<u>2026</u> July 16 - BOD August 20 - BOD September 17 - BOD	<u>2027</u> April 15 - BOD May 20 - BOD June 17 - BOD June 26 - Annual Meeting July 15 - BOD August 19 - BOD September 16 - BOD
Annual Meeting Location: South Haven City Hall @ 9:00 am LJA/LID BOD Meetings: Southside Township Hall @ 6:30pm			

LAKE JOHN ASSOCIATION (LJA) ANNUAL MEETING

JUNE 28, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

South Haven City Hall, 521 Oak Ave, South Haven, MN 55382

Board of Directors (BOD)

President Joleen Sytsma
Vice President Open
Treasurer John Bigalk
Secretary Kelly Kosloski

Section 1 Representative Leanne Liebsch
Section 2 Representative Neysa Silver
Section 3 Representative Kim Droegemueller
Section 4 Representative John Greenwood
Section 5 Representative Jim Vos
Section 6 Representative Kim Larson

MINUTES

DRAFT to be approved June 27, 2026

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

President Joleen Sytsma called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m. and welcomed attendees.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was recited.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION was made to approve the agenda as presented, seconded, and **PASSED** with unanimous consent.

4. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF LJA BOD/WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Present were all board of directors members, LJA members, guest speakers, and members of the public. Sytsma welcomed new LJA members.

5. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS/READING OF LJA OBJECTIVES, PURPOSE, AND GOALS

Sytsma delivered a presidential address focused on the LJA's objectives, purpose, and goals. The address has been attached to the meeting minutes and entered into the official minutes.

6. GUEST SPEAKERS

a. LAKE STEWARD PROGRAM - RICHARD GALLEA & JOHN GREENWOOD

Gallea of the Sauk River Chain of Lakes Board discussed land use-issues, lake stewardship efforts with Minnesota Lakes and Rivers (MLR), and challenges in promoting natural shoreline practices. LJA Board Member and Lake Steward Committee Chair John Greenwood shared his stewardship experiences and invited members to join the committee. Additional program details will be provided once the MLR registration, volunteer-evaluator training, and site-evaluation tools are completed.

b. SHORES OF LAKE JOHN DEVELOPMENT UPDATE - PERRY RYAN

LJA Member and Shores of Lake John Developer Ryan provided the following project status updates:

- Tree preservation and selective removal underway; shoreline stabilization in progress with Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and other agencies. Bio-rolls and silt fencing installed.
- Grading is scheduled to begin next week with Latour Construction as general contractor. Utilities and street construction will follow.
- New road is expected to be completed and opened by Fall 2025.
- Strong community support noted for tree-preservation efforts.

Ryan took questions from members and provided the following information:

- Road timeline: Existing road will close once the new road opens, similar to the Preserve project.
- Road condition concerns: City is responsible for maintenance; Ryan will follow up on repair timing.
- Agency coordination: No confirmed timeline for broader road upgrades; responsibilities split between city and township.
- Tree removal & erosion control: Trees removed prior to silt fence installation. Shoreline currently stabilized; final restoration expected in 1–2 weeks, with full stabilization by early July. Agencies have inspected and now found the site compliant after concerns were raised earlier.
- Sidewalk/trail: Trail will continue through the development.

- Vinkemeier property: Awaiting update on potential annexation.

c. ENHANCED WAKE ACTIVITIES

i. LAKE JOHN RESIDENTS - AMY CHOUINARD & MARK FOURNIER

LJA member Mark Fournier presented materials developed with input from about a dozen contributors on behalf of wake boat owners. Key themes included promoting respectful dialogue, recognizing diverse lake uses, and focusing on practical, equitable solutions rather than conflict. Key points made by Fournier were:

- Wake boaters are also committed lake users; the lake supports many recreational interests.
- The LJA's role is to facilitate conversation, listen to differing perspectives, and seek balanced solutions.
- Towing-related safety concerns are best addressed through direct, constructive communication.
- Members were encouraged to "reset," engage respectfully, and work toward shared stewardship goals.
- Encouraging responsible behaviour.
- Wake-boater perspectives on environmental, economic, and safety concerns
- Environmental research on phosphorus and erosion is ongoing; keeping distance from shore remains key.
- Community self-regulation regarding safety concerns.
- Lake John's size and ability to conduct wake runs 500 ft or more from shore
- Typical surf routes, areas to avoid, and sufficient depth for wake boats
- Bogs: Problems existed before increased wake activity.
- Celery grass: Growth tied to natural cycles.
- Wind vs. recreation: Only ~25–30 days per season see heavy activity.
- AIS: Fishing boats pose higher transport risk due to frequent lake-to-lake travel.

Overall Message Emphasized lake stewardship, water quality, and responsible behavior rather than focusing on specific boat types. Encouraged continued education and communication. Sytsma requested the slide deck from Fournier to be emailed to info@lakejohnassociation.com.

ii. SAFEWAKES.ORG - CHARLES BECKER

Chuck Becker provided an overview of [SafeWakes.org](https://www.safewakes.org) founded in 2019 that focuses on public education about wake-boat impacts and collaborates with the Minnesota Coalition of Lake Associations (MNCOLA). Becker highlighted Lake John's unique characteristics and rising concerns about water quality and recreational pressure and provided the following information:

- Reviewed existing studies (industry and academic) and emphasized the need for more independent, on-water research like U of M St. Anthony Falls Labrotaory.
- Raised concerns about prop-wash effects, sediment disturbance, phosphorus resuspension, and fish-habitat disruption.
- Noted Lake John's phosphorus issues and declining water quality since 2018, potentially linked to increased wake-boat activity.
- Stressed mitigation principles: operate far from shore and in deeper water.
- Questioned the validity of industry-funded recommendations (e.g., 200 ft / 10 ft guidelines) and noted watersports industry guidance suggesting 20+ ft depth for wakesurfing.
- Reviewed MN DNR boating-guide language on large-wake impacts and distributed a summary handout.
- Provided an update on the new boater-education law effective July 1, 2025.
- Summarized Caribou Lake's DNR-approved restricted-wake ordinance and the process used to obtain it; Phase II study results pending.
- Shared mapping showing Lake John's shallow profile and noted that regulations typically restrict activities, not boat ownership.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- JUNE 24, 2023 ANNUAL MEETING
- JUNE 29, 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

MOTION was made to approve the minutes collectively as presented, seconded, and **PASSED** with unanimous consent.

8. REPORTS

a. TREASURER

- i. **2024 ANNUAL REPORT**
Bigalk presented the report, summarizing revenue, disbursements, and total resources.
- ii. **JANUARY 1 - MAY 31, 2025 REPORT**
Bigalk presented the report, summarizing revenue, disbursements, and total resources.
- iii. **2024 MEMBERSHIP, 2025 MEMBERSHIP TO DATE**
Bigalk provided membership updates with 88 members in 2024. 2025 membership at the time of meeting was 103 - ahead of last year's pace.
- iv. **2026 Proposed Budget**
Bigalk presented the proposed budget.
MOTION was made to approve the 2025 Proposed Budget as presented, seconded, and **PASSED** with unanimous consent.
- v. **2025 ICE OUT WINNER**
Bigalk announced Jim Vos as the 2025 Ice Out Winner and awarded the \$50 prize.
- b. **WATER MONITORING**
 - i. **2024 ANNUAL & 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE WATER QUALITY/LAKE LEVEL** - Kosloski
Kosloski shared reports for water quality and lake levels with summary analysis.
 - ii. **WRIGHT COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT LAKE JOHN SCORECARD**
Kosloski shared the scorecard with summary analysis.
 - iii. **2024 ANNUAL & 2025 YEAR TO DATE CULVERTS** - Voss
Sytsma shared 2024 annual and 2025 year to date culvert reports.
- c. **PRESIDENT**
 - i. **2024 BOG REMOVAL**
Sytsma shared the 2024 bog removal cost paid by the LJA and Lake Improvement District (LID). Bog removal plans moving forward were acknowledged as a challenge due to removal access now limited to the DNR landing and limited property options for bog relocation. Additional money was set aside in the budget to account for the additional challenges next time removal would have to occur.
 - ii. **WILDLIFE - LOON & EAGLES**
Sytsma shared updates on the Loons and Eagles. Reminders were made to keep distance from loons and eagles.
 - iii. **2024 FISH STOCKING**
Sytsma shared the 2024 fish stocking report. Next scheduled restock is in 2026.
 - iv. **ADDITIONAL ANNEXATION & REVISED ANNANDALE/SOUTHSIDE TOWNSHIP ANNEXATION**
Sytsma reviewed the updated annexation information and map showing the additional annexation area. ongoing discussions regarding sewer and water extensions, recent city meetings, and a submitted grant application were discussed. Members were advised to monitor Annandale City Council meetings for updates. Sytsma also summarized revisions to the orderly annexation agreement.
 - v. **POTENTIAL SOLAR FIELD NEAR LAKE JOHN**
Sytsma reported on a potential solar field project near Lake John. Although no formal proposal has been submitted, the topic appeared on a recent township agenda. Wright County Soil & Water District has provided the landowners with requirements should the project move forward. Sytsma noted that any installation within 1,000 feet of the lakeshore—shown by the red boundary on the map—may trigger additional review and action by the LJA board.

OPEN FORUM/LJA MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no member comments brought forward during the open forum.

NEW BUSINESS

9. 2025 ELECTIONS-VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, SECTIONS 1, 3, & 5 REPRESENTATIVES

a. **NOMINEE INTRODUCTIONS**

Sytsma introduced the nominees for:
Vice President - David Lowe, Section 1; Chuck Wachter, Section 5
Secretary - Amy Chounard, Section 2; Michelle Sutton, Section 4
Section 1 Representative - Dana O'Connor, Dennis Sjoberg
Section 3 Representative - Mark Fournier
Section 5 Representative - Mike Long, Becky Wachter

b. **VOTING**

Sytsma explained the voting procedures.

10. **ACKNOWLEDGE OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS**

Sytsma acknowledged outgoing board members Droegemueller, Kosloski, Liebsch, and Vos.

11. **MN LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - MN Lakes & Rivers Advocates**

a. **NEW BOATER EDUCATION LAW - Effective July 1, 2025**

Sytsma reviewed the key points of the new boater education law effective July 1.

b. **2025 MN LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BILL**

Sytsma reviewed the AIS funding proposed by the governor and explained that the proposal was not included in the final approved MN budget bill.

12. **LJA COMMITTEES AND MEMBERS SIGN UP**

Kosloski reviewed the list of LJA committees and encouraged members to sign up if interested to promote the purpose, goals and objectives of the LJA.

13. **ELECTION RESULTS**

Sytsma announced the election results as follows:

Vice President: David Lowe 31 votes; Chuck Wachter: 33 votes. **Winner: Chuck Wachter.**

Secretary: Amy Chouinard: 29 votes; Michelle Sutton, 36 votes. **Winner: Michelle Sutton.**

Section 1 Representative: Dana O'Conner: 5 votes; Dennis Sjoberg: 8 votes. **Winner: Dennis Sjoberg.**

Section 3 Representative: Mark Fournier: 8 votes; Uncontested. **Winner: Mark Fournier.**

Section 5 Representative: Mike Long: 3 votes; Becky Wachter: 11 votes. **Winner: Becky Wachter.**

a. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

Sytsma provided each new Board of Director with the Conflict of Interest Policy and noted all would sign the Conflict of Interest Statement at the July Regularly scheduled board meeting.

14. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Lake John Association Survey
- Directory - Review for name(s), addresses, and email accuracy
- 4th of July Fireworks
- Lake John Annual Golf Fundraiser - August 16, 2025
- Meetings Scheduled

Sytsma announced the items listed A-D above.

The meeting recessed for votes to be counted and tallied.

The meeting reconvened with election results announced.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Kelly Kosloski.

Lake John Association 2025 Annual Meeting

President Sytsma Address

Good Morning Members of the Lake John Association,

Lake John Connects Us All so thank you all for gathering here today to meet fellow LJA members, to become more informed and to take care of the business of the Lake John Association. Not only today but in the months to come, **let us focus on what unites us**. We all want clean water, thriving ecosystems, and a lake that can be enjoyed for generations to come.

To start **I would like to acknowledge there are varying perspectives in this room**. We may differ in the methods we propose or the priorities we highlight, but these differences challenge us to be creative and to **seek solutions that focus** on the LJA Objective stated in our Constitution and Bylaws, "The objective of this association shall be: to promote the care and betterment of Lake John; assist in the conservation and preservation of the natural resources of Lake John; and to promote the general welfare of the members of this association as it pertains to Lake John."

Today, we **come together** to discuss important issues that directly affect our shared homes and the cherished waters we are so **blessed** to enjoy. Before we begin, I would like to set the tone for our conversation today. This is a **community** of neighbors, friends, and individuals who **care deeply** about the health and beauty of our Lake John. While we may have differing opinions on certain matters, **let us always remember that these differences come from a place of shared concern and passion, rather than opposition**.

We will touch on topics that have **sparked diverse perspectives**. Some of us focus on the preservation of the natural environment above all else, while others seek to balance ecological stewardship with recreational access. Both views, and all those in between, hold merit and **deserve our respect**.

It is easy in moments of disagreement to frame others' perspectives as being "against" us or our values or as adversaries. **But I urge all of us to approach this with an open mind, be willing to listen and to learn**. Our goal today is not to create divisions or assign blame, but to explore how we can **work collaboratively to protect the lake we love**. Each of you brings unique experiences, knowledge, and insight to the table—and it is through listening, learning, and mutual understanding that we will find the best path forward.

I encourage everyone who speaks today to share not only their concerns but also their ideas for solutions. Let us avoid language that casts anyone or any point of view as the "enemy." **Instead, let us be open to learning, ask questions, seek clarity, and aim to build on the common ground we all share**.

Together, we have the power to ensure that Lake John remains a **beautiful** sanctuary for wildlife, a **source of joy** for our families, a backdrop for cherished memories for us and future generations to come. Thank you...Thank you for your time, your passion, and your commitment to Lake John. I look forward to hearing your thoughts, becoming more informed and working together.

Lake John **does** Connect Us All so let us begin.

Lake John Association Inc

Statement of Financial Position

As of Dec 31, 2025

	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	61,758.77
Capital One 360	8,620.08
Lake Central Bank CD #1 Due 07/02/26	\$33,185.43
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	-33,881.41
Total for Lake Central Bank CD #1 Due 07/02/26	-\$695.98
Lake Central Bank CD #2 Due 01/07/27	61,258.73
Lake Central Bank - Checking	\$44,181.02
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	-27,877.36
Total for Lake Central Bank - Checking	\$16,303.66
Total for Bank Accounts	\$147,245.26
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total for Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total for Current Assets	\$147,245.26
Total for Assets	\$147,245.26
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Total for Liabilities	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	131,081.22
Net Revenue	16,164.04
Total for Equity	\$147,245.26
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$147,245.26

Lake John Association Inc

Statement of Activity

January 1-December 31, 2025

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Critical Needs/Invasive Species Fund Donation	7,270.00
Fundraising	
Golf Fundraiser	270.00
Sponsorships	1,325.00
Total for Fundraising	\$1,595.00
General Fund Revenue	
Association Dues	3,090.00
General Fund Donations	3,940.00
Total for General Fund Revenue	\$7,030.00
Total for Revenue	\$15,895.00
Gross Profit	\$15,895.00
Expenditures	
Annual Meeting Expenses	324.77
Ice Out Prize	50.00
Insurance	880.00
Lake Steward Expenses	455.81
Memberships	310.00
Newsletter and Other Mailings Expenses	2,149.83
Office Expenses	53.20
Postage	64.00
Rent	200.00
Website Expenses	100.00
Total for Expenditures	\$4,587.61
Net Operating Revenue	\$11,307.39
Other Revenue	
Interest Income	4,856.65
Total for Other Revenue	\$4,856.65
Net Other Revenue	\$4,856.65
Net Revenue	\$16,164.04

Lake John Association Inc

Statement of Financial Position

As of May 31, 2026

	TOTAL
Assets	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	68,183.77
Capital One 360	8,649.87
Lake Central Bank CD #1 Due 07/02/26	\$33,881.41
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	-33,881.41
Total for Lake Central Bank CD #1 Due 07/02/26	\$0.00
Lake Central Bank CD #2 Due 01/07/27	62,527.03
Lake Central Bank - Checking	\$54,254.22
AIS/Critical Needs Restricted Funds	-34,302.36
Total for Lake Central Bank - Checking	\$19,951.86
Total for Bank Accounts	\$159,312.53
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total for Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total for Current Assets	\$159,312.53
Total for Assets	\$159,312.53
Liabilities and Equity	
Liabilities	
Total for Liabilities	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	147,245.26
Net Revenue	12,067.27
Total for Equity	\$159,312.53
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$159,312.53

Lake John Association Inc

Statement of Activity

January 1-May 31, 2026

	TOTAL
Revenue	
Critical Needs/Invasive Species Fund Donation	6,425.00
General Fund Revenue	
Association Dues	2,610.00
General Fund Donations	2,240.00
Total for General Fund Revenue	\$4,850.00
Total for Revenue	\$11,275.00
Gross Profit	\$11,275.00
Expenditures	
Memberships	235.00
Newsletter and Other Mailings Expenses	713.80
Office Expenses	133.00
Website Expenses	120.00
Total for Expenditures	\$1,201.80
Net Operating Revenue	\$10,073.20
Other Revenue	
Interest Income	1,994.07
Total for Other Revenue	\$1,994.07
Net Other Revenue	\$1,994.07
Net Revenue	\$12,067.27

**LAKE JOHN ASSOCIATION
2027 PROPOSED BUDGET**

ESTIMATED 2027 Income		TOTALS
Dues (100 members @ \$30.00)	\$	3,000.00
Invasive Species Fund (100 x \$20 plus additional donations)	\$	7,100.00
General Fund	\$	2,700.00
Local business sponsorships	\$	-
Golf Tournament Greens Fees	\$	1,000.00
Lake Central CD Interest & Capital One Savings Interest	\$	5,000.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL INCOME 2027		\$ 18,800.00
ESTIMATED 2027 Disbursements		
Office supplies, copies, postage, annual meeting and mailings	\$	1,000.00
Website Fees	\$	150.00
Annual Meeting Speaker Fees & Reimbursements	\$	250.00
Annual PO Box Rental	\$	65.00
QBO Online Computer Fees	\$	580.00
Directors & Officers Insurance	\$	1,000.00
Golf Tournament expenses	\$	800.00
MNCOLA & Wright COLA Memberships	\$	150.00
MN Lakes & Rivers Membership	\$	185.00
City of South Haven Annual Meeting Rental Fee	\$	200.00
Ice Out Prize	\$	50.00
New Member Welcome Packets	\$	200.00
Electronic Voting/Nominations/Surveys	\$	500.00
Bog Removal	\$	10,000.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 2027		\$ 15,130.00
REVENUES IN EXCESS OF DISBURSEMENTS 2027		\$ 3,670.00
Invasive Species Fund Reserve Donations and Interest less Bog Removal Expenses		\$ 1,980.00
GENERAL FUND REVENUES IN EXCESS OF DISBURSEMENTS 2027		\$ 1,690.00

Lake John Water Quality Report & Lake Level Report
Prepared for the **June 27, 2026 Lake John Association** Annual Meeting

Lake John Water Monitoring - RMB Environmental Testing https://lakes.rmbel.com/								
Monitoring Since May 19, 2023								
	Sample Results			Trophic State Index (TSI)				
	Total Phosphorous (ug/l)	Chlorophyll (ug/l)	Secchi Disk (ft)	Phosphorous	Chlorophyll	Secchi	TSI Avg.	Trophic State
2026 May	31.32	20.47	5.00	54.00	60.00	54.00	56.00	Eutrophic
2025 May	30.84	8.48	9.20	54.00	51.00	47.00	47.90	Mesotrophic
5-Year May Average (2021-2025)	26.80	8.10	9.94	50.80	47.20	44.20	46.58	Mesotrophic
10-Year May Average (2016-2025)	23.10	9.48	9.37	48.90	50.40	45.10	47.69	Mesotrophic
2025 Annual Average	22.57	8.74	7.50	48.80	51.40	47.00	48.80	Mesotrophic
2024 Annual Average	22.24	7.27	9.10	48.20	49.80	45.00	47.20	Mesotrophic
5-Year Annual Average (2021-2025)	22.89	7.80	8.53	48.88	49.14	45.86	47.59	Mesotrophic
10-Year Annual Average (2016-2025)	23.01	7.08	9.16	48.24	48.53	45.29	47.18	Mesotrophic

Overall Takeaway Looking at May Trends
The May 2026 results indicate a noticeable decline in water quality compared with 2025 and both the 5-year and 10-year May averages. Higher phosphorus and chlorophyll levels, combined with reduced water clarity, pushed the lake's Trophic State Index (TSI) into the eutrophic range—suggesting increased nutrient enrichment and higher risk of algal growth. Phosphorus levels in May 2026 are the highest in the May dataset and well above both long-term May averages. Elevated phosphorus is a primary driver of algal growth and a key contributor to the shift toward eutrophic conditions. Chlorophyll-a nearly tripled compared with May 2025 and more than doubled relative to May long-term averages. This indicates a substantial increase in algal biomass and is the most dramatic change among the indicators. The shift from mesotrophic to eutrophic in May 2026 reflects a meaningful change in lake condition. Eutrophic lakes typically experience higher algal productivity, lower water clarity, greater risk of nuisance algal blooms, and increased stress on aquatic ecosystems. Water clarity dropped by nearly half compared with May 2025 and is far below May long-term averages. Reduced clarity is consistent with higher algal concentrations and increased suspended material.

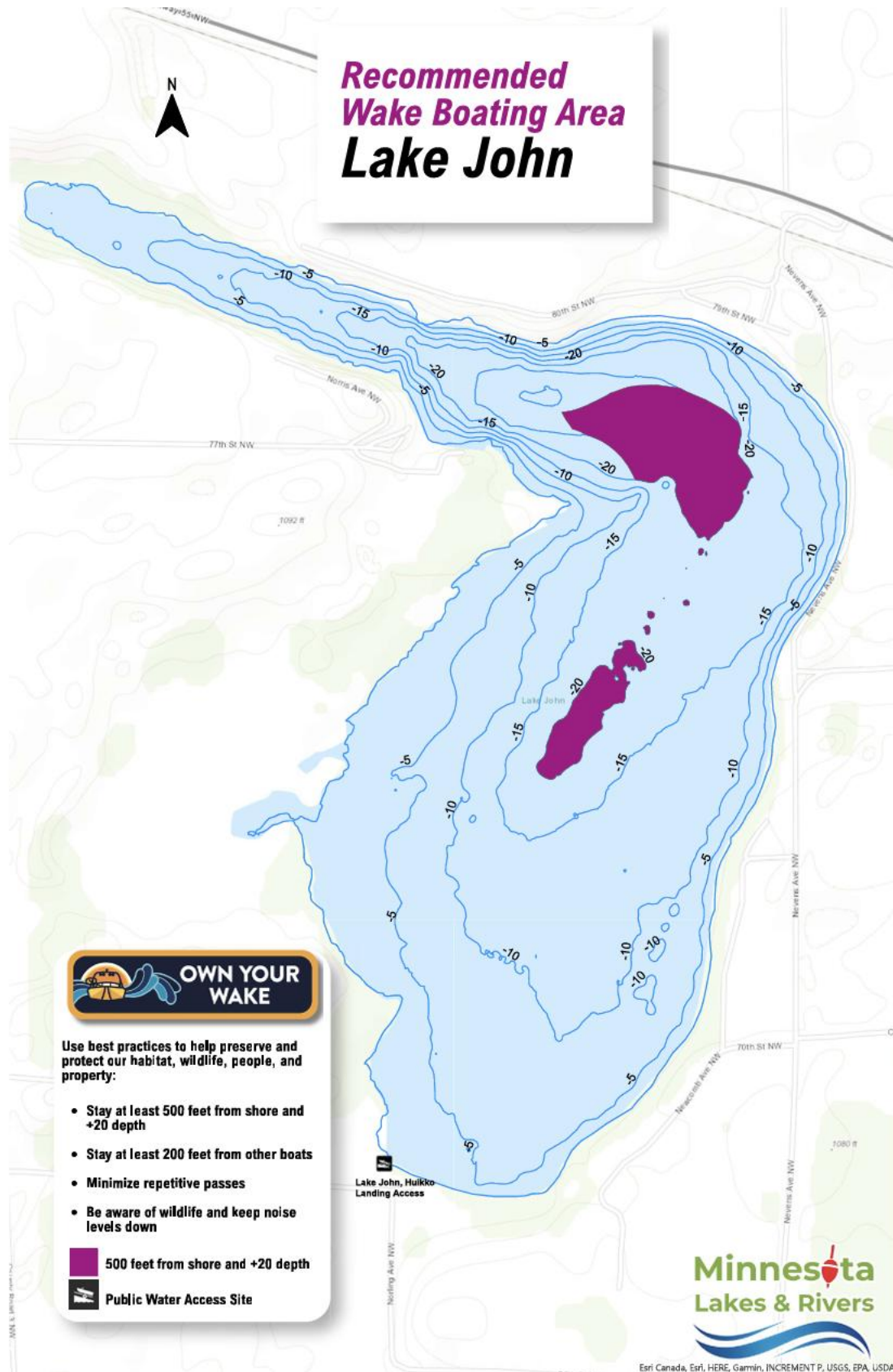
Overall Takeaway Looking at Annual Trends
Across all indicators—phosphorus, chlorophyll-a, Secchi depth, and TSI—the lake has remained consistently mesotrophic over the past decade. Year-to-year variation is minor, and long-term averages show a stable system with moderate nutrient levels and moderate algal productivity. No major deterioration or improvement is evident between 2024 and 2025.

Lake John Water Level - MN DNR LAKEFINDER https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/lakefind/index.html				
Monitoring since 1974				
	Elevation	Elevation Reading to OHWL	OHWL	Top 5 Highest & Lowest Water Levels Since 1974
2026 Annual Average To Date 5 readings	1054.15	7.73 Above OHWL	1053.5	Highest: Aug. 5, 2024 1054.39' 10.68" Above OHWL
2025 Annual Average 19 readings	1054.10	7.20 Above OHWL	Lake Name/ID John/86028800	
5-Year Annual Average (2021-2025) 115 readings	1053.84	4.08 Above OHWL		
10-Year Annual Average (2016-2025) 376 readings	1053.84	4.08 Above OHWL		Lowest: Oct. 4, 1988 1050.35' 38" Below OHWL
				Sep. 9, 1988 1050.35' 37.8" Below OHWL
				Apr. 26, 1988 1052.13' 16.44" Below OHWL

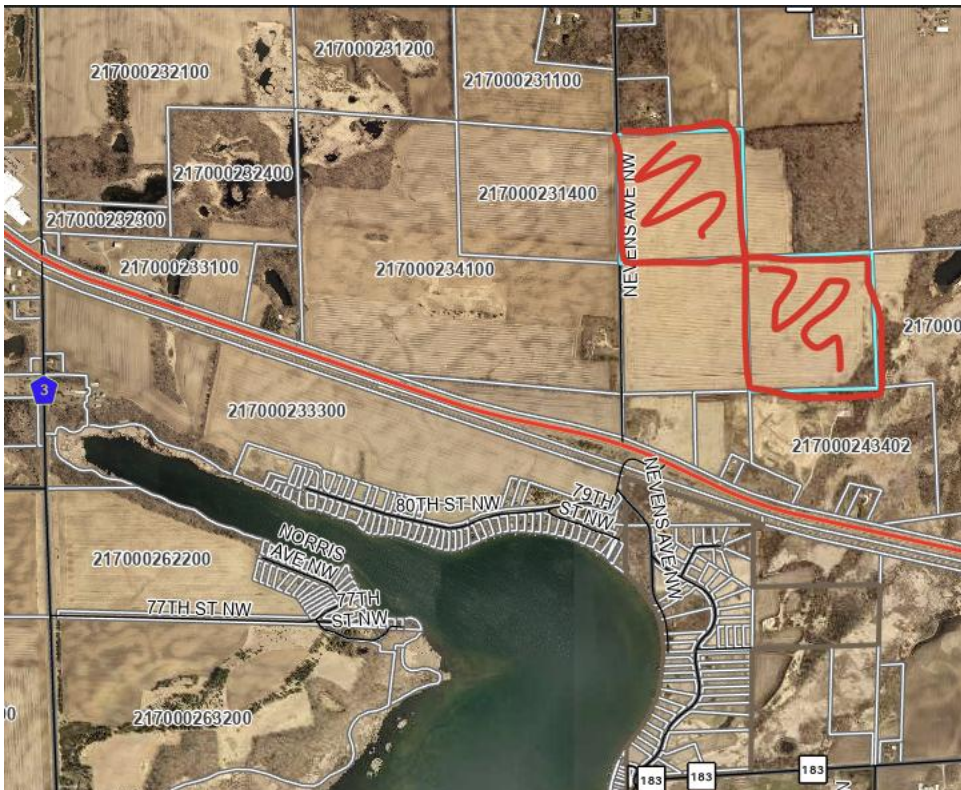
Key Takeaway
Water levels have been consistently above the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL) for at least the past 10 years, with a noticeable upward trend in recent years.

Overall Takeaway Looking at Trends
2026 Annual Average (to date) continues to track higher than the previous annual average and long-term averages. Implications due to water level increases include:
Shoreline erosion risk increases with sustained high water. Infrastructure near the water line may experience more frequent impacts. Vegetation and habitat zones may shift due to prolonged saturation.

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Map of proposed Solar field being discussed at the Southside Township meeting on 07/07/26



Marilyn Hallstrom: xxxx Nevens Ave NW – PID 217-000-243101 & 217-000-242100. REQUEST: Variance as regulated in Section 155.026 & 155.108(C)(18) of Chapter 155, Title XV, Land Usage & Zoning of the Wright County Code of Ordinances to allow the siting of a solar farm within a two-mile radius of another solar farm. STAFF NOTES: A variance is required because the proposed solar farm would be located approximately 1.5 miles from an existing solar farm, which does not meet the required two-mile setback.