

# Van Vliet Lake Association 2020 Annual Meeting Agenda

Remote meeting via email or paper ballot

Vote due August 15, 2020

- Approval of minutes of 2019 meeting (<http://vanvlietlake.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Van-Vliet-Lake-Association-Annual-Meeting-Minutes-2019.pdf>)
- Treasurer's report (<http://vanvlietlake.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/VVLA-treasurers-report-2020.pdf>)
- Election of Officers
  - President Ronie Jacobsen
  - Secretary Diane Schroder
  - At large Richard Bernard
  - At large Jim Sprester
- Discussion topics
  - Discovery Center felt they could not safely house their summer interns so the Clean Boats, Clean Waters 2020 inspection hours at our landing were cancelled. The WDNR has rolled the grant over to 2021. We pay in the spring and get reimbursed in the fall and no money was paid this year.
  - Plant survey conducted by WhiteWater Associates last summer revealed no aquatic invasive plant species. They have provided us a summary of their results (<http://vanvlietlake.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Van-Vliet-Lake-2019-Summary.pdf>). We hope to reschedule a presentation on this work for next summer.
  - We are no longer pursuing a mechanical harvesting permit based on the Onterra study. The plan would need to be updated and the Board is not planning to apply for another study.

- At this point in time, the Carlin Lake Association has won all the court decisions to prevent the pumping of water for bottling from their lake. So far there are no new appeals from the water company but there is no guarantee that the issue is resolved.
- The Friends of the Van Vliet Hemlocks continue to work on behalf of the State Natural Area on both sides of our lake. Signs have been posted by the DNR to direct visitors to the site. Group hikes are scheduled in Sep and Oct with a size limit of nine and a mask requirement. Sign up on the Discovery Center website. Individuals are also encouraged to enjoy the trails on their own.
- Vilas County Lakes and Rivers Association has a new section on their website with helpful brochures about best practices for your shoreland property (<https://vclra.org/new-owner/>). It is directed to new owners but has valuable information for all of us.
- One member expressed a concern about litter on our roads, especially beer cans tossed from cars. We thank everyone who picks up roadside litter and recognize that those who cause the problem are not part of the solution. This is an enforcement issue for the law rather than the Lake Association.
- We have a request in to the WDNR to paint directional arrows or install a one way sign at the landing based on a member's observation of traffic issues on busy weekends.
- There are now at least four homes on our lake being used for short term vacation rentals. Many of the renters are respectful family groups but there was one incident this summer where the Vilas County Sheriff was called in the middle of the night due to unruly guests.
- A pair of eagles built a new nest on the north end of our lake on the east side and many of us enjoyed watching the nest and the not one, but two eaglets being raised in our neighborhood.
- Thank you to Deanne and Brett Bussler for organizing the First Annual Fun Flotilla on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. A dozen boats circled the lake waving flags for thirty minutes of pure fun. Spectators on the shore enjoyed the show.

## Absentee Ballot

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

I vote to approve the 2019 minutes.                     Yes     No

I vote to approve the 2020 treasurer's report.                     Yes     No

I vote to approve the slate of officers.                     Yes     No

I would like to add the following comments to be considered by the Board for inclusion in the minutes of this remote meeting.

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