

ESLA BOARD MEETING Minutes

June 19, 2025

Agenda Items are in Black

Notes from the meeting are in Blue

Action items in Red

Board Members Present:

George Seifried	Phil Spangenberg	<u>John Spevacek</u>	<u>Dean Ginther</u>
Ken Krentz	Bob Reider	Deanna Seifried	Nancy Covington Schreiber
Beth Wiesenauer	Dennis Reese	John Reid	

Absent Board Members:

<u>Bob Campbell</u>	<u>Andrew Hogarth</u>	Mary Beth Kazanski	Bob McCririe
<u>Jan Garvey</u>	<u>Ruth Bay</u>	Steve Francis	Andrew Hogarth

Support Staff

Samantha Ogle - absent, Michael Ogle - Present

Guest- Norm Schreiber

George called meeting to order 9 AM

George welcomed new members – John Reid and Dennis Reese

Revisions to agenda - none

Approval of minutes of May 15, 2025 board meeting, were accepted

Treasurer's report, motion – was accepted

President comments

- GT County septic TOT - time of transfer evaluation passed for anything withing 300 ft of a body of water –
They are establishing an advisory committee

ACTION: ALL let George know if you want to be on the advisory committee – must be from GT county.

-The Watershed Center Grand Traverse Bay is working on a grant, if they get it, they will make postcards we could mail or use at event tables.

ACTION: George – to check if we can we give them our mailing list and have them send out

-TC Horse Show July 6 – ESLA will get gate receipts.

ACTION: ALL to spread the word on attending that day

ACTION: 13 special Tickets – Deanna / Bob - will reach out to significant donors (Champions) the remaining will be auctioned off.

- Zone meetings attendance: Zone C – 1, Zone D – 3. Lots of discussion, but will continue as planned.

-Solicit sponsors for ESLA yearly operations

-Annual meeting

ACTION: All- let George know if you or you know someone to take pictures/videos at the meeting for advertising,

ACTION: All- take pictures yourself and send to Michael for the website

ACTION: All- please plan to stay and help clean up – see sign up sheet

-Committees

ACTION: Committee chairs to draft a summary of the committee activities (less than 100 words) for communications.

-Volunteer Opportunities – ACTION All sign up on sheet from George – or send to George via email.

Committee updates:

Government Relationships

Membership - Deanna

- ACTION: we have a tent at the Elk Rapids farmers market July 4 - please sign up to represent ESLA

- Liz from FLOW was a part of the GT septic TOT – she is speaking at August Shore thing

- annual meeting is sold out

ACTION: George to hi-lite special guests

Business supporters-

- display at all events : Nancy making signs with business supporters

- George has prepared appeal letter to send out in July for new and renew

Environmental- Jan, Sam

- Lake learning tours - good sign ups so far

- Volunteer Mitch Pietryga? Page? Distribute schedule of activities – no update

- Surveys planned and working on invasives

Recreation & Safety- Bob M., John

-CG voluntary boat inspection date - July 19 – 4 hours (30 min per) 10am-2pm... will be able to get 20 boats inspected

Will have a sign up online – Michael will do an email blast.

-Question on river hazard buoys -We have a permit for torch river, but we are not responsible for Elk River

Torch River Islands – John

Document sent out to ESLA board for review, will go out on ESLA website, Email blast.

Fisheries- Ken – no update

Communications - Bob C.- 75th anniversary handout printed

- 75th history doc put on website

- Electronic distribution to all members

ERCOL WPIT & Rugg Pond -Mary Beth – no update

75th anniversary update- George, Ruth, Nancy

- Elect directors, officer recording secretary

- Volunteer signup for June 27 celebration

- Photographs of event – please take pics
- Cost tracking to what was expected

Wednesday on River Street booth volunteer signup- Bob M. – [see sign up sheet](#)

TC Horse Show- Bob M. – [see above](#)

New Business - [none](#)

[Motion to end regular board meeting at 10:11](#)

[Commenced closed session](#)

[Motion to end closed session at 10:22](#)

Next meeting- **Thursday, July 17, 2025 9AM in person at ER Police Station 321 Bridge St.**