The following minutes have been approved by the Board.

Quiet Lakes Improvement Association
Teal, Lost Land and Ghost Lakes Improvement Association, Inc.
Executive Board Meeting Agenda: September 22, 2025
9 a.m. Town of Spider Lake Town Hall all Board Members were present

John made a motion to move item 3 up to the beginning of the meeting. Motion was 2nd and unanimously approved.

1. Treasurer's Report
1.1 Opened a $50,000 CD at Frandsen Bank on 08/06/2025 (maturity date 01/06/2026).
1.2 Electronically filed IRS Form 990-EZ on 08/13/2025.
1.3 Filed Annual Report with the State of Wisconsin on 08/13/2025.
1.4 By-Law changes typographical and other:

- Typographical/spelling revisions: Can make those changes without member voting.
- Add 501(c) 3: In March 1995 we became tax exempt under IRS code (IR) Section 501(c)(3)
- Article 2 - Section 1 - "form" was corrected to "forum"
- Article 4 - Section 1 - Craig's highlighted version shows "Vide President" but my version of the document correctly showed "Vice President"
- Article 8 - Section 1 "sues" was corrected to "dues" (Any recommendation to alter member dues ...)
- Article 11 - "I" was corrected to "is" (...an email is not in the QLIA ...)
- Article 8 - Section 4: Changing Fiscal Year is May 31st.

All of these changes need to be voted on by the entire membership at our next Annual Meeting.

1.5 **ARTICLE 11: AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS**
These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Association, provided that an email notice is given to the general membership (unless an email is not in the QLIA file) at least thirty (30) days in advance of the meeting at which action is to be taken, and that a two-thirds majority of the members at such meeting, a quorum being present, approve the action.

- ADD: With Board approval the board is able to change misspelled and grammatical errors without a vote by the members. Changes will be noted in the following minutes of the changes.

John made a motion to Amend the Bylaws at our next Annual Meeting per the above recommendations. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

1.6 Do we want to send out a gentle email reminder to people who have not paid their dues for 2025?

2. Volunteer Hours & Tracking
2.1 Update on volunteer hours tracking (Excel conversion of 2024 data).
2.2 Confirm hours required for each active grant:

- Clean Boats Clean Waters
- Surface Water Grant (EWM)
- Education Grant

2.3 Ensure Megan Sorensen has complete 2024 documentation; clarify if uncounted hours can apply to 2025.
2.4 Note: 2024 fell short on volunteer hours, resulting in refunded funds.
2.5 Confirm who will upload into the DNR upload site.
2.6 Clarify which lake accounts are active and should be used, do multiple accounts exist?

3. NWRPC Services

3.1 Clarify current and expected services provided to QLIA.
3.2 Discuss whether additional support could be provided (e.g., website, newsletter, membership drive, lake health projects).
3.3 Confirm charges in non-treatment years.

Kevin made a motion to have Megan apply for the Scope Amendment. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

4. Grant Funding Opportunities

4.1 Identify additional grant opportunities for QLIA.

5. Lake Monitoring & Treatment

5.1 Determine if bed mapping and water testing are required in years without chemical treatment.
5.2 Review QLIA responsibilities for “wait and see” approach to EWM chemical treatment.
5.3 Follow up with WiDNR regarding current conditions of lakes.

6. DNR Follow-Up

6.1 Recap visit with WDNR’s Ben Schleppenbach (8/25/2025).
6.2 Recap visit from Natalie Erler, Sawyer County AIS coordinator and the tour of Ghost Lake
6.3 A meeting is scheduled for Craig P to present to the Ghost Lake property owners the findings of the Sawyer County Inspection.

- The meeting is scheduled for 9-27-2025 at 3:30 at Boulder Lodge. Push for additional membership at the meeting, there are 27 individuals on Ghost as we only have 2 members.
- Letters were mailed and emailed to Ghost Lake residents about the meeting on 9/17.

7. Events & Membership

7.1 Recap of 2025 Appreciation Picnic. The Board thanks all the volunteers and Tom Ridgeway for making this picnic a success.
7.2 Update on T-shirt ideas, costs, and designs.
7.3 Discuss the entire Tier Program and how we solicit donations. Consider a plaque or sign, examples will be shown. Consider the Flag idea more thoroughly, talk about other types of visual recognition for contributing beyond the $50 membership.

Board asked Craig to keep pursuing this and we will keep it on the agenda for next month.

8. Buoy Placement Discussion

8.1 Town of Spider Lake considering “slow no wake” buoys in the thoroughfare. We need to give Spider Lake the coordinates for where the “slow no wake” buoys in the thoroughfare. These buoys are at the expense of the DNR and/or Town of Spider Lake. Craig will provide the GPS coordinates to the Town of Spider Lake. Board approved.
8.2 Note that only shoreline no-wake zones and officially placed “slow no wake” buoys are enforceable by law.
8.3 Current status: our lakes have none; Spider Lake has several.
8.4 Should QLIA solicit member input on potential buoy placement?
8.5 Town may be required to notify residents and possibly hold a vote.

9. Seasonal Lake Management & Harvester Discussion

9.1 Plans for fall buoy removal.

9.2 Thoroughfare designation discussions through TOSL and DNR

9.3 Harvester and dump trailer licenses coming due/renewal

9.4 Annual permit required to operate the

9.5 Discuss rental of harvester to other lakes.

10. Lake Consultant Discussion

10.1 Discussion and review with current lake consultant

10.2 Current Contract with the Lake Consultant

11. Next Meeting Date – November 10th

John moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 am. Motion was seconded and approved.