

MEETING MINUTES: CCCoLA OCTOBER 12, 2023 VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: KATHY BOGEN, BIZ CLARK, PATTY CRADDOCK, CARRIE FRAMSTED, AL FLIEDER, ASHLEY HATCHET, KATE KELNBERGER, GARY MACIEJEWSKI, LARRY MULLEN, PETE RAUEN,

Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions (10-10:05)	10 CCCoLA members in attendance. Welcome Ashley Hatchet, new member representing Seagull/Saginagaw	
Approval September 8, 2023 CCCoLA Minutes (10:05-10:10)		Carrie motioned to approve. Biz Seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.
Reflection on CCCoLA 2023 accomplishments (10:10-10:25)	<p>Members shared the following observations/reflections on the CCCoLA 2023 summer season meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The presence in the community to others outside of CCCoLA has been stronger through partnerships, articles in the Cook County Herald, Reports on WTIP, and tabling at Fisherman’s picnic. • Good to have new members including associates such as Ann Sullivan from the Cook County Commissioners. • More momentum. • Representation on other Boards such as the AIS County Advisory Group, The VRBO Advisory Group, and Rainy Lake Watershed group. • Solidarity among members on issues such as the proposed gravel pit/asphalt plant near Tait Lake. 	
Identify focus areas for virtual action group meetings Nov.-April (10:25-10:35)	<p>AIS (Kate Kelnberger, Larry Mullen) Spiny Water Flea appears not to be spreading quickly perhaps due to water temperature. Need to keep working with Cook County AIS mitigation efforts and do more outreach in the community.</p>	

<p>Goal-setting and planning for Action Groups (10:35-10:55)</p> <p>Report-out from Action Groups (10:55-11:10)</p>	<p>Get the Lead Out (Gary Maciejewski, Kathy Bogen)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More outreach to resorts where anglers are more apt to see the literature and have their tackle on hand to exchange. • Develop a Kiosk sign to accompany a collection bucket and literature to place at resorts and at Buck’s Hardware and Joyne’s Department Store (if the owners are interested) • Outreach to resorts during the fall/winter season • Communication with MLR and MNCOLA to keep informed of any legislative action relative to lead tackle and shot. Share with CCCoLA members and Lake Associations and express support for statewide efforts to ban lead tackle. 	<p>Gary will stay in touch with MNCOLA on GLO action especially during the legislative session. Kathy will stay in touch with MLR.</p> <p>Kathy will check on cost for printing kiosk signs and purchasing collection buckets.</p>
	<p>Septics (Pete Rauen, Carrie Framsted, Biz Clark, Patty Craddock)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite Ann Sullivan to our January CCCoLA meeting to get background on the County’s approach to regulating septic. • Work toward a Cook County Ordinance requiring septic inspection whenever a property is bought or sold. • Find out more about the County’s capacity to inspect septic and whether there is a way to acquire funding to build capacity. • Find out about options available to assist property owners with the costs of septic repair and maintenance. • Sponsor an informational workshop on septic systems in early summer 2024. 	<p>Kathy will develop a chart of resorts that have been contacted and share with CCCoLA members to see who will follow up with the kiosk materials.</p> <p>Pete will contact Ann Sullivan to see if she can join us for our January CCCoLA meeting.</p>
<p>Partnerships and connections (11:10-11:25)</p>	<p>We are developing some good partnerships with like-minded individuals and groups within the County and State. There are others we could be reaching out to as a means of sharing information, building understanding, collaborating on projects, and having a stronger voice in decision-making that impacts the Cook County waters and shorelands.</p>	<p>Kathy will make a chart of partnerships so we can track our current partnerships and potential ones such as with the Minnesota Ornithologists Union , Visit Cook County, Grand Marais Tourist Assn.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Next meeting will be via Zoom on Thursday, November 9, 10-11:30 a.m. This will be a meeting of the whole.</p>	