

**WINFIELD LAKE**  
**LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD MEETING**

**May 16, 2024**

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A meeting of the Winfield Lake, Lake Improvement Board was held at the Montcalm County Drain Commission, 211 W. Main Street, Stanton, Michigan on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Denise at 4:09 p.m.

PRESENT: Denise DeKracker – Chairperson  
Todd Sattler – Secretary/Montcalm County Drain Commissioner  
Dick Stacey – Maple Valey Township Representative

ABSENT: Tom Kok – Winfield Township Representative  
Pat Carr – Board of Commissioner’s Representative

ALSO

PRESENT: Rick Buteyn – Progressive AE  
Luke Aaron – Progressive AE  
Anne Gaylord – MCDC  
See Attached

A motion was made by Todd and seconded by Dick to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Todd and seconded by Dick to approve the minutes from September 14, 2023, as amended. Motion carried.

Election of Officers

Denise advised that Tom has recently had a stroke and she is unsure if he intends to keep his position on the LIB as the Winfield Township Representative. Todd advised that if Tom decides not to continue with the LIB, we will need a letter of resignation from him. The next step after that would be to have the Winfield Township Board appoint a resident to the LIB as the township representative.

A motion was made by Todd and seconded by Dick to maintain the current elected positions on the Board. Motion carried.

Public Comments


Cal Tryon advised that he was originally charged for his contiguous lot, but it was corrected, and he has been refunded. He asked why more improvements and treatments haven’t been done to the lake. Janice Jourdan asked why the fund balance wasn’t spent down to zero. Many residents believe that the weeds are because of chemical run off from Sandy Land farms. Cal asked why the weeds are getting worse. Todd and Rick advised that the warm winter and lack of ice is causing weeds to grow more on every lake. It was not cold enough for long enough to help discourage weed growth. Rick noted that the entire budget will be spent this season.

Todd provided a financial update to the Board, including a current balance of \$46,723.64. He noted that the account has earned roughly \$400.00 in interest since the October meeting and the 2023 Special Assessment was received on 5/13. Todd asked Rick if he expects to be over budget for treatment this season. Rick anticipates spending the full treatment budget by July.

Rick and Luke provided a treatment update to the Board and advised that the budget will be spent in full this season. He repeated Todd's sentiments that a warm winter and lake of ice on the lakes has caused the huge boom in growth. Denise asked about Milfoil treatment. Rick advised that Milfoil is the first to be able to harvest and he is intending to use a faster acting herbicide. Milfoil is all over the lake and there couldn't be anymore coverage. Luke thinks they should treat and then harvest because the milfoil is very dense. Todd asked about a sonar treatment Rick said that this is a hybridized milfoil that is resistant to sonar treatments. Todd is concerned that if they harvest now, then treat, the lake will be terrible for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Rick noted that he would be more comfortable treating first, then harvesting. He believes that will give the lake the best opportunity to treat and clear the lake for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Luke is going to return on Monday to complete a milfoil targeted survey for treatment. He then plans to have the lake harvested within two weeks of the treatment. Rick provided an FAQ sheet to the residents. Denise asked for a map to show where they can treat and where they can't to provide to residents for understanding. Rick advised that he cannot treat the native weeds in the inlets. They can treat 100 ft from the shoreline or at least 5 feet of depth for native plants. Only invasive weeds can be treated in undeveloped areas. Having no weeds in the lake would cause algae to take over.

The Board would like to hold an additional meeting this season to approve budget overages. The next meeting will be held on June 11, at 2:00 and Luke will complete a survey the same day, as long as the weather allows. Dick noted that he rode alone for the harvest last year and told the harvesters that boats tend to take a certain path around the lake and assumed that harvester would follow the same path.

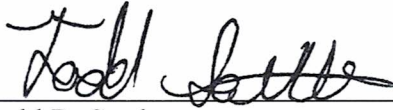
There being no further business to come before the Lake Board, a motion was made by Todd and seconded by Dick to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 p.m. Motion carried.

  
Todd Sattler, Secretary  
Winfield Lake, Lake Board

State of Michigan }  
 } ss:  
County of Montcalm }

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Winfield Lake, Lake Improvement Board, Montcalm County, Michigan held on May 16, 2024, and that said minutes are on file in the office of the Montcalm County Drain Commissioner and are posted on the website at [www.montcalm.us](http://www.montcalm.us) and are available to the public.

I further certify that notice of the meeting was posted at least 18 hours before the meeting at the office of the Montcalm County Drain Commissioner, which is the principal office of the Winfield Lake, Lake Improvement Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Sattler", written over a horizontal line.

Todd R. Sattler  
Montcalm County Drain Commissioner



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May 16, 2024  
4:00 P.M.

## MONTCALM COUNTY

Drain Office  
211 W. Main Street  
Stanton, Michigan

### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Election of Officers
4. Approval of Minutes
  - September 14, 2023
5. Public Comment
6. Financial Update
7. Treatment Update
8. Other business
9. Public Comment
10. Adjourn

**If you cannot attend, please call 989-831-7322 at least two days prior to meeting.**

### **Lake Board Members:**

Denise DeKraker, Chairperson, Abutting Property Representative  
Todd Sattler, Secretary/Treasurer, Montcalm County Drain Commissioner  
Thomas Kok, Winfield Township Representative  
Richard Stacey, Maple Valley Township Representative  
Pat Carr, Member, Montcalm County Board of Commissioners

# Winfield Lake Finance Sheet 2023-2027 (84016)

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Date	Vendor	Description	Check Number	Expenses	Revenue	Balance
10/11/2022		Beginning Balance				\$ 8,328.07
10/11/2022	View Newspaper Group	Public Hearing Notice	169449	\$ 98.55		\$ 8,229.52
10/20/2022	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	4th Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	169529	\$ 1,625.00		\$ 6,604.52
1/19/2023	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	1st Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	171352	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 4,729.52
1/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 10.64	\$ 4,740.16
2/28/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 17.88	\$ 4,758.04
3/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 15.22	\$ 4,773.26
4/20/2023	Michigan Lakefront Solutions (26682)	2023 EGLE Permit Fee	173242	\$ 875.00		\$ 3,898.26
4/20/2023	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	2nd Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	173256	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 2,023.26
5/2/2023	Montcalm County	2022 Delinquent Settlement			\$ 1,868.30	\$ 3,891.56
5/8/2023	Montcalm County	2022 Collected Settlement			\$ 30,058.29	\$ 33,949.85
5/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 99.64	\$ 34,049.49
6/30/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 110.43	\$ 34,159.92
7/20/2023	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	3rd Quarter Lake Consultant Fee	175147	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 32,284.92
7/27/2023	PLM Lake & Land Management (16632)	Harvesting	175425	\$ 5,950.00		\$ 26,334.92
7/31/2023	Michigan Lakefront Solutions (26682)	06/14/2023 Weed Treatment	175477	\$ 5,652.50		\$ 20,682.42
7/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 86.84	\$ 20,769.26
8/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 68.78	\$ 20,838.04
9/30/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 65.12	\$ 20,903.16
10/19/2023	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	4th Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	177051	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 19,028.16
10/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 61.44	\$ 19,089.60
11/30/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 58.88	\$ 19,148.48
12/31/2023	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 61.11	\$ 19,209.59
1/18/2024	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	1st Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	178927	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 17,334.59
1/31/2024	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 56.52	\$ 17,391.11
2/29/2024	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 52.11	\$ 17,443.22
3/7/2024	Calvin Tryon	Refund for Overpayment	179856	\$ 375.58		\$ 17,067.64
3/31/2024	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 58.19	\$ 17,125.83
4/11/2024	Progressive Architects Engineers PL (385)	2nd Quarter Lake Consulting Fee	180780	\$ 1,875.00		\$ 15,250.83
4/18/2024	Michigan Lakefront Solutions (26682)	2024 EGLE Permit Fee	180850	\$ 875.00		\$ 14,375.83
4/30/2024	Huntington Bank	Interest Income			\$ 47.81	\$ 14,423.64
5/13/2024	Montcalm County	2023 Collected Settlement			\$ 29,670.93	\$ 44,094.57
5/13/2024	Montcalm County	2023 Delinquent Settlement			\$ 2,629.07	\$ 46,723.64
		Remaining Balance				\$ 46,723.64



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**Drain Commissioner's Office**

**ATTENDANCE RECORD**

**Name**

1. Todd Sattler
2. Rick Bateyn
3. ~~DENISE DEKRAKER~~
4. Richard Stacey
5. Long Paul
6. Janice Gourdau
7. Cal Inger
8. W & P
9. Michael Nyenhuis
10. John G. Starn
11. LUKE AARON
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