

Annual Meeting Minutes – 2025
Star Lake Property Owners' Association
June 7th, 2025 Camp Joy on Star Lake

President JoLene Kerr called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

President JoLene introduced the current Board of Directors:

JoLene Kerr, President (2025)
Tom Deegan, Vice President (2026) (Resigned)
Steve Roth, Treasure (2026) (Absent)
Sue Nyhus, Secretary (2026)
Yvette Lewis, Director (2025)
Danny Kimball, Director (2026)
Dick Fultz, Director (2026)

1. President, JoLene introduced Spencer McGrew, Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Committee Chair, speaker. Spencer informed members of AIS research results and trends being followed on the 1,048 lakes in OT County as well as lakes throughout the state. He reported that less than 8% of lakes in the state have invasive aquatic species detected, stressing the importance of continuing to be diligent in prevention practices.
2. The 2024 Annual Meeting minutes copies were distributed and reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Litton and seconded by Dick Fultz. All were in favor.
3. JoLene Kerr provided the Treasurer's Report. The balance of the General Fund is: \$6,758.06; the balance of the Lake Protection Fund is: \$18, 768.18. JoLene also stated that our records are open for review when requested. A financial review was completed by, Sharon Sand, who provided a written report that all checks were accounted for and the records were in good standing which was read to the members.
4. Membership & Publicity: JoLene, President, reported that there are 125 paid memberships as of yesterday. The membership letter and spring newsletter were mailed as well as being posted on Facebook and our website.
5. Water Safety & Buoys: JoLene reminded members the buoys are placed as a service by volunteers. Additional volunteers would be welcome. She stated the board has been discussing the possibility of posting signs at the public accesses indicating areas to take special boating caution for the public. Dick, Director asked for additional volunteers to place and remove buoys. A question was raised regarding having a private company do this. President, Jolene stated this has been looked into and would cost as much as \$3800.00 per year.
6. Adopt-A-Highway: Spring highway clean up was done on Saturday, May 3. Thank you to Brenda Ebanks, Sharon Sand, and JoLene Kerr for this service.
7. AIS: Sue Nyhus reported a throw-a-rake event was held on June 1, with no new invasive species detected. Kristin Daniels reported there will be throw-a-rake events in July and

August on the second Sunday of the month. Times will be posted. Lee Mindemann reported the need for another rake to be donated. If you have one contact him. Anyone interested in serving on this committee is encouraged to contact one of the present members.

8. Water Quality: Carolyn Herron asked for volunteers to help with water sampling. She gave a short demonstration on what this entails, stressing the importance of continuing this service.
9. Fisheries: An update was provided by Danny, Director. The DNR has lowered the panfish limits from 10 to 5 as of 3/1/2025. Signage has been posted at the public accesses with information on the change. There is a 5-year study and plan for stocking fry being done by the DNR. A member stated he has been told there are members who are interested in raising funds to stock fingerlings in Star Lake. Discussion followed. President, JoLene stated the board would support this effort suggesting members form a committee that would fundraise and keep the board updated on their efforts. Danny, Director agreed to meet with interested members.
10. SLPOA will be sponsoring the Family Frenzy Fishing Tourney on Saturday, May 28. Information about the tournament was shared along with registration forms. There are presently 8 teams registered. Registration is now open on the website or a form can be filled out and returned to a board member.
11. President, JoLene reported the Star Lake picnic will be at the Kerr home on Saturday, August 16, encouraging everyone to come. More information will be posted.
12. We have two board terms that are expiring. Yvette Lewis and JoLene Kerr have agreed to continue on the board. Dick, Director reported Tom Deegan resigned from the board. Jake Daniels has agreed to accept the nomination to fill Tom's position for the next year. Dick called for other nominations (3 times) with no response. A motion was made by Lee Mindemann to accept the nomination. It was seconded by Carolyn Herron. All were in favor and no one opposed. Motion was carried.
13. Gail Hagen prompted discussion on the StarLights Directory. It was decided to update the directory every three years. Next year it will be due to be updated. Discussion followed regarding the need to update it. A motion was made to print an update next year and renew the entire directory at the 5-year mark. The motion was seconded. All were in favor and no one opposed. Motion carried. Gail was thanked for the excellent work she's done on the directory. Another thank you was extended to the volunteers who sold ads and collected information for the directory.
14. Door prizes were drawn and awarded. Thank you to the many businesses who donated gift items.
15. President, JoLene Kerr adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Nyhus
Secretary, SLPOA