

## **GLA Board Meeting Minutes**

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Hello Garfield Lake Association Members and Friends,

A Garfield Lake Association Board meeting was held, Wednesday, March 6, 2024, and the following was discussed.

For the purpose of keeping focused on what the Board believes to be the important activities of the GLA, we have identified 8. They are listed below as well as the Board members leading that activity. They are:

1. Water quality (4 times per season) and AIS Testing (2 times per season) Darryl and Charlie

2. Membership

Mike

3. Treasurer

Greg

4. Secretary and Minutes taker Ron

5. Social Committee

Diane.

Sara, Jeanie, Lindsay

6. Hubbard County COLA

Mike

Loon Nesting Mark – Bill

8. Annual Meeting

Ron

We chose to put Water Quality at the top of all activities as this is the prime reason for our Association. As our members know our GLA motto is: KEEP GARFIELD HEALTHY and we do our best by getting funding for Garfield Lake boat launch inspection as well as monitoring our lake for AIS and other water quality contaminates. We work closely with the Hubbard County Environmental Coordinator, Aaron Anderson.

Boat launch inspection has been part of Minnesota boating for many years. The inspector's purpose is to both look for the presence of AIS but also to keep boaters aware of their responsibilities to "pull to plug" as they remove their boat from a lake. This is the prevention side of this effort ..... making people aware of how to stop the spread. And over time this effort has been shown to be successful and worthwhile as the rate of boats who now do not remove their plug has shown to have decreased significantly since this effort has been started across the state over 20 years ago.

Thanks to the contributions from the City of Laporte, both Hart Lake and Lakeport townships, the Garfield Lake Ice Racers and our GLA members, we have been able to double the

inspection hours in Garfield. We believe we will have the funds to match that of the last 2 years of boat inspection. Many, many thanks to those entities and you, our members, for this.

Our next BOD meeting will be held April 17, 2024, and we have set the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Garfield Lake Association meeting for Saturday, May 24, 2024, at Trinity Church in Laporte. We will send more on this later.

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