

Lake Crookneck Improvement Association 2026 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

The annual meeting of the Lake Crookneck Improvement Association (LCIA) was held on July 25th, 2026, at the Scandia Valley Town Hall.

Dan Seanger called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM and welcomed everyone to the LCIA Annual Business Meeting and reviewed the agenda. This meeting will continue to be scheduled in conjunction with the CLID Annual Meeting. In addition, a Special Meeting will also to be held during the Memorial Day weekend to finalize the summer calendar of events and dates and serve as an informational forum. Today's meeting's power point presentation, which contains graphics and additional information, is located at CrookneckLake.com under LCIA.

Standard Agenda Items

Board of Directors: Dan introduced the Board of Directors present: Dan Seanger (President), JJ Parker (Treasurer), Leo Dombrowski (Secretary), and John Monahan (Member-At-Large).

Secretary's Report: Minutes of last year's Business Meeting (July 26th, 2025) and May 23rd, 2026, Special Meeting were approved by the Board and posted on the CrookneckLake.com web site under LCIA. Minutes from this meeting will be posted following approval by the Board of Directors.

Treasurer's Report: JJ provided a recap of the LCIA financial standing. Our beginning balance was \$11,487. Revenue was \$2,265 (63 dues @ \$35 plus 2 signs at \$30). Our estimated expenses total \$2,310 leaving a closing balance of \$11,442 as of July 15th, 2026. All mandated 2026 filings with the MN Office of the Secretary of State have been accomplished.

Old Business:

New Lake Buoy: A new lake buoy has been received from the Morrison County Sheriff's Office during spring of 2025 and discovered to be damaged during the summer season. Minor repairs were made and it remains serviceable this year. Leo will look into the availability of a replacement buoy for next year.

Lake Access: During 2025, work was performed on the lake access ramp to remove the ice heaves from the ramp area by the Minnesota Parks and Trails Dept. As the lake level continues to recede this year, more complaints have been received concerning the approach angle and the drop off at the end of the concrete ramp. MN Parks and Trails have been notified by Leo and hopefully they will assess the ramp and make repairs this year.

LCIA Membership Signs: New signs have been procured and are on sale for \$30. John or Teri Parker are the point of contact to buy a new sign.

Annual Events:

4th of July Boat Parade (held on July 4th): This year the Monahan's winning entry was "Crookneck Alien Invasion". The Monahan's will serve as the Grand Marshall for the 2027 Boat Parade.

Kids Fishing Contest: The fishing contest was held on July 11th from 9 to 11. About 20 contestants participated with Brady, Clara, and Izzy finishing in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

Concert on the Lake: The concert will be held on Aug 1st beginning at 3 PM in the east bay. Once again, this year Dan and Lisa Elias-Churilla are hosting the concert.

New Business:

2027 Proposed Budget: After discussion the following budget figures were set:

Annual dues: \$35 (revenue)

Signs: \$30 each (revenue)

Fishing contest: \$300

Concert on Crookneck Lake: \$1,800

Miscellaneous admin expenses: \$150

A motion was made by Dennis McGrath seconded by Leo Dombrovski to approve the proposed 2027 budget. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

Tentative dates for 2027: This past year we received inquiries as to when various events were scheduled for this year explaining historically, they were established at the Spring Special Meeting. The following tentative dates are proposed for 2027, subject to final dates and times being set at the spring Special Meeting.

May 29th (Sat): Spring LCIA Special Meeting at 9 AM, Social at 8:30 AM.

July 4th (Sun): 4th of July Boat Parade at 1 PM.

July 17th (Sat): Fishing Contest (time TBD)

July 31st (Sat): Annual CLID & LCIA Business Meetings at 9 AM, Social at 8:30 AM

July 31st or Aug 7th (Sat): Concert on Crookneck Lake (preferred July 31st, time TBD)

Watershed Health Assessment: The MN DNR has populated the Watershed Health Assessment of Crookneck Lake. The assessment uses several metrics to rate the lake compared to lakes of similar characteristics. The report can be found on the MN DNR Lake Finder...Search under Crookneck Lake, Morrison County...select Crookneck Lake...drop down to Lake Reports...Lake Health. A review of the report will be made at the spring LCIA Meeting.

Public Announcement: The board has been asked to announce that some residents feel pontoons are passing too close to docks as they transit the lake. Also, anchored pontoons are making it a challenge at times for jet skis, tubers and skiers. In addition, a question was received about why the Board was not enforcing a previously established lakeshore signage policy. Dan did a review of our previous LCIA and CLID meeting minutes and was not able to identify a policy. Furthermore, the CLID Establishment Orders and the LCIA Constitution/ByLaws do not include provisions to empower the boards of either the CLID or the LCIA to establish a policy to limit or prohibit signage along the shoreline of an individual property owner, as contrasted to what a Homeowners Association may be able to establish. Also, it should not be implied that what a board member does or does not do outside of their official duties establishes an official policy. In such cases they would be acting in the role of a private citizen, not binding to the organization.

Adjournment: Steve Larson, seconded by Dan Seanger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 AM. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Leo Dombrovski
Secretary

ATCH: July 25, 2026, Annual Business Meeting Power Point presentation is posted on CrookneckLake.com web site under LCIA.