

**Cossayuna Lake Improvement Association
Board Meeting July 14, 2026**



Meeting called to Order at 6:04 pm by the President, Lynn LeCours.

Officers and Directors present: President Lynn LeCours, Vice President Peggy Pahoulis, Secretary Kathy Gaughran, Gene Henry, Susie Holbritter, Bob Reilly, Karen Ryan (via Zoom), Chris Cooke (via Zoom), Lisa Zibella, Lynn Wilbur, JoAnne Bonacker, Cathy Cavanagh, Lynn Jackson, Sheila Rappazzo

Directors present by proxy: Marie Dumas

Directors and Officers not present: Treasurer Rick Ryan

Guests: N/A

Minutes: Motion to accept minutes of the previous meeting held June 10, 2026 moved by Peg Pahoulis, seconded by Lynn Wilbur. All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Discussion of financials included suggestions to provide a coversheet clarifying money in bank as well as financial obligations (upcoming expenses such as employee salaries, equipment repairs, etc) Motion to accept June 2026 Treasurer's report moved by Lynn Wilbur, seconded by Peg Pahoulis. All in favor, motion passed.

Report of Officers: N/A

Report of Committees

Membership: Bob reported Membership numbers have gone down over the past couple of years: 2023 – 401 members, 2024 – 372 members 2025 – 354 members. He recommends we get out to the community, meet and greet all owners and provide booklet with information

about the Association. Bob also suggested posting flyers/signage around the lake promoting the CLIA.

Plaques must be approved by the president and must be same as the current plaques. Lynn L will talk to Catherine.

Rentals: Bottle Collection - Amber will take all bottles from functions. Clean up can be done day after function. 10:00PM functions must be over. Non-members may rent the building, as long as they are sponsored by a member. Board members should not give the door code to anyone. 2027 rentals – board agreed to allow booking 2027 rentals – 7/11/27 or 7/17/27.

Renters leave the building “as is”, they do not clean bathrooms, possibly ask Brittany?

Front porch needs to be cleaned up. Fred will paint it or stain it.

Chairs – uncomfortable, use the chair pads we currently have, purchasing new chairs is not currently a priority. Idea to have a “Buy a Chair” fundraiser.

Newsletter: N/A

Building and Grounds: During harvesting discussion about weeds, the garden weeds near the dock was mentioned. Fred will mow the lawn, Lynn L will show him the weeds to be pulled.

Insurance: N/A

Promotions: N/A

Website/FB/Database: N/A

Nominating: JoAnne reported President, Vice President and Membership BOD members will not be returning next year. Board is looking for members to fill those positions.

Social:

Motion to refund Mark Samu for Rummicub Tournament rental fee by Bob, seconded by Lynn W. All in favor, motion passed.

Cleaner for building \$150 this week and 2 times in August.

7/16 – Thirsty Thursday at 5:00PM, hosted by Mike and Karen

8/15 – Chicken BBQ

Bob has propane refill, \$250 Otto.

Please consider donating a basket or gift certificate. Need help setting up the week of 8/7.

Discussion concerning Grand Prize lottery tree.

Email Blasts: Will be sent out to let Members know topics for discussion at the 7/18/26 Membership meeting.

Education: N/A

Lake Management:

State grant for new harvester has been approved. DASNY is now reviewing. It will take a year to get the harvester. Motion to provide \$27,000 for downpayment on harvester and \$25,000 for new trailer by Peg Pahoulis, second by Sheila Rappazzo. All in favor, motion passed.

Harvesting: Gene reported cost to fix Harvester was \$9,742. \$5,000 to transport and \$4,742 for work. In addition, a pine tree fell on trailer, it needs to be removed by September. He will look into getting a quote to remove it.

Campbells farm, where Gene dumps the harvested weeds, may be selling the property. What to do if they sell...possibly contact Amish?

Herbicide: Herbicide is expensive. Current treatment did not treat curly leaf. Discussion included a suggestion for Members to bring samples of weeds from around their shoreline to the Membership meeting. Lynn W will send info to Karen for email blast. Other suggestions for next year included organizing a "Neighborhood Weed Watch" program and possibly having Members pay for herbicide treatment on their shoreline, similar to paying for harvesting.

Spillway: Closed

Water Chestnuts: Gene will schedule a Chestnut Pull for 7/23. He will discuss at Membership meeting.

CSLAP: Lynn W provided Gene with a map to keep on the harvester so that they can mark where the curly leaf beds are. This will help with identifying treatment areas in the spring. In the past we have worked with Washington County Soil and Water to survey culverts and test stream waters running into lake.

Old or Unfinished Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn 7:43pm by Peg Pahoulis, seconded by Lynn Wilbur.