# Executive Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, May 8, 2024

### 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Via Zoom: [hyperlink](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89698556629?pwd=TklvRWV5VTU0Nmt2dmp2VkdXVDVEdz09) to join meeting

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## AGENDA



1. Opening & Consider Agenda (15 min.)

* Approve [2/14/24 Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/199Zz72dA-1oIyaiBUAxGUz3Up2W6vjvr/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=117415464370246852042&rtpof=true&sd=true)
* Treasurer’s Report [Monthly Financial Report](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1u3Od1VXx0JvamoN6bCNmLkTWDYx37C3c) and [Bank Statements](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MOPGplZ0rMIst2UfC3W4FvwmPBJ1Gp6E)

1. SC COLA Board 6/5/24 Board Meeting Planning (40 min.)

* Opening & Consider Agenda (10 min.)
  + Approve [3/6/24 Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-8AXm780KPrjtcsJRnPDh_LSiBNlGOxh/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=117415464370246852042&rtpof=true&sd=true)
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1. Updates (25 min.)

* Steve McComas the “Lake Detective” and PLM Event on 4/13/24
* Business Sponsorship Campaign and Directory-Reference April 2024
* 2025-2029 Sherburne County AIS Prevention Plan
* [Rum River](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/rum-river-one-watershed-one-plan/) & [Mississippi](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/mississippi-river-st-cloud-watershed-plan/) Watershed Comprehensive Plan (1W1P)

1. 2024 - 2025 Meeting Calendars (5 min.)

* SC COLA Board: 8/7, 11/6, 12/4, 2/5, 3/5, 6/4
* SC COLA Executive Committee: 7/17, 10/9, 11/13, 1/8, 2/12, 5/14

1. 2024 – 2025 Officer Election Nominating Committee (5 min.)
2. 2024 – 2025 Initiative Next Steps (30 min.)

* 2024 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy Outcomes
* Sherburne County Partnerships
  + Galerucella Beetles for Purple Loosestrife Control
  + County-wide water monitoring program
  + Rain Barrel Water Conservation Program
  + “[Adopt-a-Stormdrain](https://adopt-a-drain-sherburnegis.hub.arcgis.com/)” (AAS) Project Status
* Additional Special Event and/or Project Planning
  + [Keep It Clean Coalition](https://keepitcleanmn.org/) and/or BLCA Developed Approach
  + Other event or project(s) that we want to purse (e.g. MAISRC Lab Tour)?

1. Meeting Follow-up Recap and Closure (5 min.)

SC COLA Executive Committee Upcoming Meeting Dates: see proposed dates above\*

\*TBD, the proposed 2024-2025 meeting calendar will be discussed on 5/8/24

MINUTES



Attendees: Shelly Alger-Peyton, Dan Cibulka, Sharon Fischer, Patrick Plant and Chris Weber

1. Opening & Consider Agenda (15 min.)

* Sharon F. moved to approve agenda, Chris W. seconded, motion passed.
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Patrick moved to approve minutes, Shelly seconded, motion passed.

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- Chris provided a summary update and will give a full report at the June board meeting.

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- SC COLA Google drive has a folder with the [Steve McComas & PLM](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16Xnxldq9kx4DiHwdDSWBBs2d2E_4u9YA?usp=sharing) presentations recorded. It is also planned that they will are also be posted on a BLCA YouTube channel in June.

- Statewide concern about DNR’s AIS spraying cut-off was moved up to 4/30/24 rather than middle or end of May, making it difficult for lakes to spray for CPL because it may not have been found at earlier dates through PI surveys due to weather in statewide lake locations and water temperatures. Patrick will ask SC COLA Board Members about their level of concern with this issue, and negative impacts on their lake if any, at the June 5 board meeting.

* Business Sponsorship Campaign and Directory-Reference April 2024

- Currently $1,300 in sponsorship dollars have been received. We anticipate the final total will be $1,400. The Directory-Reference was emailed out to COLA members for personal use, not public release.

* 2025-2029 Sherburne County AIS Prevention Plan

- Dan C. needs two new replacement advocates due to two leaving, possibility of a local angler, a bait/sporting goods and/or boat and watercraft business owner will join the task force.

- Looking at July/August one person is coming from out of state to join Dan’s staff at SWCD. There will be two new staff in total added to SWCD.

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- Rum River 2023 accomplishment report will be shared at the next COLA meeting.

- Mississippi River/St Cloud has a draft plan that went out for local review to the citizens advisory board with a 30 day window, then the consultant will make revisions/changes and then on July 8 the policy committee will send out the plan for a 60 day review to the public for comment/changes and then during the month of October the consultant will make revisions/changes as needed and then a final version will be ready towards the end of the 2024.

- Dan will discuss the plan at next COLA board meeting, but not email out because the plan is 360+ pages in length.

- Getting ready for 2025 funding and looking at various projects and new outreach opportunities.

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Patrick will re-work schedule and email out to Exec. Board week of 5/8/24 for approval.

1. 2024 – 2025 Officer Election Nominating Committee (5 min.)

- Chair & Secretary positions are up for election.

- Patrick appointed Chris, Sharon and Dan to be on the nominating committee.

1. 2024 – 2025 Initiative Next Steps (30 min.)

* 2024 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy Outcomes

- No summaries available as of today, however there are some significant updates.

- LCCMR has been funded again and is something the Briggs Chain could apply for if they qualify for an Alum treatment for their Chain of Lakes.

- $1.418 million in grants are being promoted on the “Keep It Clean” website. Which are available to all local governments and non-governmental organizations like lake associations.

- Omnibus bill has several proposed changes such as; SWCD’s can expand its authority to apply for funding from state sources and not just federal sources and can also apply for loans for funding, owning property, etc.

- SWCD (via BWSR) is pushing for state aid for additional funding along with the other proposed updates to accessing state funds and being able to use loans to finance meeting statutory requirements.

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* Please see meeting follow-up action items underlined above within the minutes.
* The meeting was adjourned at 5:00p.m. with a motion to adjourn by Sharon.

Meeting minutes submitted by Shelly Alger-Peyton, SC COLA Secretary.