

Lake Shoecraft Public Meeting

Lake Shoecraft 05/9/26

9 May 2026 / 9:00 AM / Lake Goodwin Community Center

ATTENDEES

Joe Kinsland, Kathy & Dean Jarman, Gary Steeves, Ryan & Kari Steeves, Alex Sundsmo, Sue Kristiansen, Jonas Hylton, Rob Walker, Pam McGoun, Jeff Griffin, Chris G, Dave Corbeille, Michael Chamberlin, William Rodland, Jerry Martin, Kirk Tashjian, Glen Bayha, Kathleen Sterling, Kathy Anderson, Robert Anderson,

Meeting Called to order by Joe Kinsland President at 9:10 AM on 5/10/26

AGENDA

Approval of minutes

Reading of the minutes was read by Secretary Kathy Jarman and approved

Vote for New Members

Craig is retiring his position as VP. Joe nominated Rob Walker and it was seconded.

President :Joe Kinsland (Reelected)

Vice President: Rob Walker

Treasure: Terry Miller (Reelected)

Secretary: Kathy Jarman (Reelected)

Treasurer Report

In today's meeting Joe Kinsland reported that we have a balance of \$2081.36 has not changed since the last meeting.

Joe is not asking for money at this time.

Status of our Buoys & Current inventory Supplies

White Buoys: County owned are swim buoys.

Orange Buoys: We own and is the boating boundary.

White buoys and orange buoys in place to work together to make the swim/boating area around Lake Shoecraft.

Gary Steeves reported the buoys have been switched from the winter buoys to the summer buoys. No buoys have been damaged. All are in working order.

GPS is used for placement of buoys.

If you have or notice issues with swim buoys contact President Joe Kinsland

OLD BUSINESS

- New Houses “Welcome to the neighborhood”
 - Any new house just sold, will get a welcome letter, rules of the lake and how to contact the board to get information. Joe has the Welcome to the neighborhood done and ready to deliver to new neighbors.
- Renewed talk about previous reports on lake damage / dock and bulkhead issues and its effects from boats. Joe recommended that the wake boats be courteous and keep their runs down the middle of the lake and shorten it at the North End of the lake to minimize the impact of the waves. The buoys are placed by GPS on the approved boating course set by Snohomish County. William talked about reaching out to Surface Water Management or the Parks Department for advice.
- Be Neighborly reminding people of the rules if you see something. Skier and Surf take turns down the middle of the lake. Work Together.
- Please follow the lake rules

LAKE RULES

- Posted on the New Website: lakeshoecraft.org, posted on Facebook and had paper copies of the Lake Rules at the meeting
 - Concerns about Jet Ski pulling a skier/wakeboard, reminder to follow to the boating rules. Many that are on the lake for the first time or are not lake residents many not be aware of the rules.

- “Any vessel boat or PWC towing any type of water skier or tuber must have a spotter and a flag, they 10 years of age or older facing the skier or tuber.”
 - Stay within the ski boundary and observe the no wake speed limit outside the ski boundary / swim areas around the edge of the lake.
 - If you see anyone not following the lake rules, please be a neighbor and let them know.
- The rules are located on a sign at the boat launch, but they are out of date. Talk of adding a QR code link for the rules and posting it at the boat launch.

NEW BUSINESS

- Question about who makes the Lake Boating Rules
 - Snohomish County
 - The Lake Shoecraft Associate does not have the authority to make changes to the watercraft rules.
- How to connect:
 - New Website: www.LakeShoecraft.org
 - Information included on the site: Lake Rules, Link to Sign up for Email Distribution List, Water Quality Report, Lake Health Report, Lake Plants, Fishing, Meeting Notices and Contact Us. Will add links for Nextdoor, Facebook and Lakewise.
 - Next Door
 - Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/lakeshoecraftrecreationassociation>

HEALTH OF THE LAKE - Dr. Jonas Hylton

- Lake Shoecraft status “Very Healthy”
- Water Health: 16 ft clear water
- Dr. Jonas Hylton has 9 years on the committee

INVASIVE PLANTS

Lake Shoecraft is home to many native plants that are beneficial to fish and aquatic life. These plants are essential to lake health and should be left intact. However, invasive aquatic plants such as Eurasian watermilfoil, fragrant waterlily and invasive shoreline plants such as Garden Loosestrife are not native to this area and have no natural controls. Because of this, they are able to spread rapidly and form dense stands which can: impair boating, fishing and swimming; crowd out and replace beneficial native plants; and harm fish and other aquatic life. Learn more. The invasive waterlilies are the white and pink lilies. The yellow lilies are native to this area.

<https://snohomishcountywa.gov/1106>.

- Reported: Taxes for invasive plant control is down to \$65 and will not be voted on again for 4 years.
- Snohomish County helps control invasive plants in Lake Shoecraft and Lake Goodwin.
- Divers are increasing the hand-pulling of invasive plants
- Chemical mitigation for treatment of milfoil also has the side benefit of treating the invasive lilies and large leaf pondweed.

INVASIVE PLANTS:

Eurasian watermilfoil: (Whorls of 4 with more than 14 leaflet pairs) DO NOT RAKE OR CUT – report at: lakes@snoco.org	
Fragrant waterlily:(white or Pink)	

Garden Loosestrife		
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If you want to identify aquatic plants on your shoreline or swim area:

Contact Surface Water Management:

<https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/208/Surface-Water-Management>

or Lake Plant Identification: <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/6523/Lake-Plant-Identification>

Most common Native Aquatic Plants in Lake Shoecraft: Large Leaf Pondweed Elodea		
Elodea (Whorls of 3 - 4 leaves)		
Tapegrass or Water Celery		

Cyanobacteria or Blue Green Algae is common a couple of times a year as the lake “turns over” in the Spring and Fall. The shallow lake brings the warm water from the bottom and flips it where the cold waters on top were. It is harmful to pets. If you suspect blue green algae:

Report a blue-green algae bloom in Washington state online through the [Washington State Toxic Algae](https://www.nwtoxicalgae.org/) <https://www.nwtoxicalgae.org/> reporting portal, or directly notify your [local county health department](#) so they can collect water samples and post public warning signs.

Cyanobacteria or Blue Green Algae (Slimy texture blue/green in color – can cause skin irritation, don’t touch without gloves)	
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LAKE LEVEL:

Is controlled by the Tribe / Washington Fish and Wildlife. The hatchery’s water level downstream are controlled partly by the flow from Lake Shoecraft. Rob has been the point of contact with the Hydrologist. They maintain the water flow and level of the lake using the spillway near the boat launch. Boards are added or removed based on the need to raise or lower the water level and based on the need for water in the hatchery. Boards all seem in good condition. There are some fixed docks that sit lower in the lake than most. There is a plan in place to take GPS measurements of the water levels during the high and low points of the year so they can better adjust the levels as needed keeping those lower docks in mind for the high water marks in the winter.

They are looking at replacing the manual spillway with a mechanized system that will allow Washington State Fish and Wildlife to have more accurate control over the lake level. It would require the installation of fish ladders.

In expectation of a drier summer due to low snow-pack, if you are concerned with the water level or notice any trouble spots, please reach out to Rob.

Goodwin Good Walk

- Lake Shoecraft is not safe to walk around.
- Dr Jonas is proposed a plan of a walking trail around Lake Goodwin last year. He’s spoken with Snohomish County and they like the idea. They are working to

introduce him to Parks and Recreation as well as the Highway Department to get cross agency communication. There is currently a 10 year plan in place for a bicycle lane around Lake Goodwin. The infrastructure is in place to help move this project forward.

- If you are interested in more information, have concerns or want to help contact Jonas Hylton

Meeting Ending at 9:47 am