

ALA Meeting Minutes



Amston Lake Association – , August 11, 2026 Monthly Meeting Minutes Clubhouse – 6:30 pm

Attendees: John Matra, Nick Salerno, Ann Riley, Karen Hinch, Pam Hogan, Patty Matra, and Mary Withey,

- **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

- July Meeting Minutes: motion to approve by Mary Withey, seconded by Patty Matra, approved by all those attending the July meeting. There were none opposed.

- **President's Report**

- John thanked the ALA volunteer team for stepping in to manage the Lake Day festivities in the absence of Patty and himself.

- **Treasurer's Report**

- **Account Balances:** Liberty bank \$5,100 checking, and \$7,050 Savings
 - **Anticipated income in the next month**
 - Lake Day net income to be determined
 - **Outstanding payments and/or invoices, upcoming expenses**
 - The first half of our Hebron property tax of \$1,992.67 has been paid, and bank balances are after this payment.
 - This month's electric bill was just \$40.
 - No other significant outstanding bills.

- **Committee Reports**

- **Clubhouse**

- There is a rental scheduled in September, and a kid's party after that. Mary and John have been discussing a half-day rate for birthday parties, perhaps a 4-hour rental for \$150 during the day.
 - There has been talk about picking up the movie night again, and having it at the clubhouse. The Regans recently donated a movie screen, and Chris and Erin Smith are interested in arranging a movie night over the winter.

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- We are looking to form a painting team to paint the clubhouse masonry. Ann suggested asking Ace Hardware for advice on proper preparation of the surface.

- **Membership**

- 2026 Membership - 194 members this year to date.

- **Public Relations / Communications**

- A newsletter will be emailed to members every month.

- **Events**

- **Lake Day** was a great success and well attended. The substitute DJ worked out well, and it was paid for by a donation from Mrs. Rockoff. Pika food truck broke down en route, but Nick contacted Sauls food truck, which arrived in time to feed all hungry Lake Dayers. We should ask Georgia's next year to offer some Lake Day pizza specials.

There were about 408 attendees. Expenses were about \$1,100 less than last year, so our net income may be higher than last year. Nick suggested having two big buckets for the sponge race next year to make it more fair and to avoid collisions. We should also come up with a couple more games for next year.

- Chocolate Bingo has been getting more popular and has been bringing in a bit more money.
- Other scheduled events include Paella Night on August 15, Big Bass Tournament on August 29, and a second Karaoke Night in September. It was decided that Oktoberfest will be held on October 3.

- **Merchandise**

- Special Lake Day T-shirts and tank tops were available on Lake Day. The tank tops sold well, but we had several T-shirts left over, which we can use again next year. We can also use them for the volunteers next year.
- John suggested coming out with some winter merchandise, e.g., Patagonia vests.

- **New Business**

- ALA Election of Officers. Volunteer election coordinator, Mary Withey, stated that all current officers had expressed interest in running again, and that she had received no other nominations for offices. There were no other nominations from the floor. Mary moved to nominate the slate of current officers to be reelected. Pam Hogan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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- Furnace cleaning has been scheduled for November 5; Ann will make sure that it's under the new service contract.
- Nick has talked to Bret about the snow plowing contract.
- **Adjourn** – Nick Salerno moved to adjourn meeting at 7:21, Ann Riley seconded. All agreed.
- **Next meeting: September 8, 2026**

Respectfully,

Karen Hinch
Secretary