YAHARA WINS

GROUP MEETING MINUTES: Tuesday September 16, 2025

The meeting was held virtually. The meeting was called to order by Yahara WINS President Martye Griffin at 1:30pm.

PRESENT: Yahara WINS IGA members, partners, and others

Previous Meeting: Minutes from the March 18, 2024 meeting were posted on the Yahara WINS website prior to the meeting. Minutes approved by Judd Blau, Village of DeForest, 2nd by Tom Wilson, Town of Westport, passed unanimously.

Presentations:

• Renew the Blue – Paul Dearlove from Clean Lakes Alliance provided an update on the Renew the Blue partnership initiative. Presentation slides are available on the Yahara WINS website.

Executive Committee Update:

- Approved funding request for Biological Farming Friends (BFF) to continue cover crop implementation in the southern areas of the watershed.
- Approved recommendations for using Yahara WINS funding reserves.
- Received an informational update on the status of MMSD WPDES permit reissuance.

Other Business: Martye Griffin provided a summary of the 2026 budget approval process. A quorum of IGA representatives is needed at the October budget meeting for a vote on approving the 2026 budget.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm, first by Wilson, Town of Westport, second by Blau, Village of Deforest