



Message from your President – Eric Riffe

Scott Lake Maintenance Company Annual Meeting – May 9 Results

On Saturday, May 9th, President Eric Riffe called the Annual Meeting to order. While the Election Committee verified and counted the ballots, the Board shared several accomplishments and projects completed over the past year. Highlights included:

- Hiring an engineer to develop a strategic plan for the replacement of the water distribution system
• Replacing the floats in the upper reservoir that signal the pumps to turn on and off
• Repairing the generator at the lower booster station
• Replacing more than 200 water meters with new radio-read meters
• Installing new fencing and gates at the park
• Submitting a grant application for new wells and/or PFAs treatment
• Signing a contract for installation of a new telemetry system
• Receiving \$145,000 from the PFAs settlement
• Processing liens on properties with large past-due balances, resulting in approximately \$16,000 collected to date
• Filing liens on two properties for non-compliance with yard maintenance covenants
• Reinstating off-duty sheriff patrols within the community

Election Chair Kathy Hirschhorn reported that 66 ballots were returned out of the 617 mailed to property owners. A quorum of 20% of the properties, or 123 votes, was required to validate the election of candidates. Since the quorum requirement was not met, the candidate elections were deemed invalid.

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Upcoming Events: June 2026

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- SLAMS Club – June 9th @ 6 pm
• Garden Club – June 18th @ 10:30 am
• Board of Trustees – June 18th @ 6 pm
• CommunityGame Night – June 19th @ 7 pm

Annual Meeting Continued,

The Board-adopted budget required a rejection vote of 50% plus one of the membership (approximately 327 votes) in order to fail. As that threshold was not reached, the budget was ratified.

Per legal counsel’s recommendation, the 2025 ballots were shredded at the conclusion of the meeting.

At the first regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting of the new fiscal year, one of the first agenda items was to fill the four vacant Trustee positions, as a quorum was not achieved at the Annual Meeting.

The following individuals were appointed to serve one-year terms on the Board of Trustees:

Tom Culleton, Tom Friedrich, Jim Johnson, and Julie Orcutt.

The Board then elected officers for the Board of Directors. The following individuals were elected to serve in these positions:

President: Eric Riffe, Vice President: Tom Culleton, Secretary: Theresa Parsons, Treasurer: Judy Zygar

The Board of Trustees meets on the third Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. Residents are welcome to attend meetings either in person at the Community Center or remotely via Zoom.

We encourage you to come, meet your Board members, stay informed about community matters, and participate in the meetings.

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www.scotlake.net email: office@scotlake.net
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am – 4 pm

## New Radio Reads are more accurate, can detect continuous water movement, & stores data

The Scott Lake water system is owned by Scott Lake and must be operated by a certified water operator, as required by the Washington Department of Health (DOH). Our certified operator is Northwest Water Systems (NWS). All costs of operating, maintaining, repairing, and upgrading the system are the responsibility of Scott Lake.

The Board of Trustees manages all commonly held assets, including the water system. Funding comes from water rates charged to each property with water service. Property owners are responsible for ensuring these assessments are paid. We can send a courtesy bill to renters, but owners must make sure payment is made. When some properties do not pay, the cost of operating and maintaining the system falls unfairly on those who do. This is not equitable, does not meet legal requirements for assessments, and does not provide the revenue needed to run the system properly.

One major project nearing completion is the replacement of all water meters with new radio-read meters. These meters are far more accurate than the old ones, which were well past their expected lifespan and often under-reported usage. The new meters also store data and can detect continuous water flow, which may indicate a leak (such as a running toilet or a pipe issue). If your usage appears higher than in the past, it is likely due to the new meters' improved accuracy. You may also see a leak notice on your bill if your consumption is significantly above the base 700 cubic feet per month or if continuous flow is detected.

As with any new equipment, a few issues have been identified and are being corrected, but the vast majority of meters are working properly. If you have questions, please contact the office by either calling 360/352-4787 or emailing [office@scottlake.net](mailto:office@scottlake.net).

**To help reduce costs, we will no longer be including a return envelope with your monthly Water/HOA invoice.**

## 4th of July Volunteers Needed!

The 4th of July celebration at the lake is shaping up to be an amazing event this year, but we need volunteers to help make it happen!

The event will run from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., plus setup and cleanup time. You do not need to be available for the entire event — even helping for a short time would be greatly appreciated.

We are currently looking for volunteers for the following:

- Setup Crew — Approximately 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Bounce House Supervisors — The bounce house can only happen if we have volunteers to monitor it. The kids love it, so let's make it happen!
- Treats & Games Volunteers — Multiple shifts available between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- Cleanup Crew — Approximately 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Transportation Help — We need volunteers with trucks to help transport tables, chairs, and other supplies at approximately 1:00 p.m. and again around 7:00 p.m.

If you are able to help in any way, please let us know by emailing us at: [slmceventscommittee@gmail.com](mailto:slmceventscommittee@gmail.com)

. Your support helps make this event a success for the entire community!



**♠️ SLAMS GAME NIGHT 🎲**  
**Every Third Friday of the Month | 7:00 PM**  
**SLMC Community Center, 2631 114th Way SW, Olympia**

Looking for a fun night out with friends and neighbors? Join the SLAMS Club for an evening of **poker, board games, food, and plenty of laughs!**

- 🎲 **Poker Night**
  - \$25 Buy-In • Friendly competition & great company
- 🎲 **Board Games**
  - Monopoly • Sorry
  - Or bring your favorite game to share!
- 🍕 **Food & Drinks**
  - Pizza Provided
  - Bring your own beverages (non-alcoholic or alcohol)

Whether you're all in at the poker table or strategizing over a board game, there's something for everyone.

Grab a friend and come join the fun — we'll see you on the third Friday!