

## Wisconsin Waterways Commission

Authority: ss. [15.345\(1\)](#) and [30.92](#), Wis. Stats.; ch. [NR 7](#), Wis. Adm. Code

PURPOSE: Wisconsin Waterways Commission (appointed by the governor with senate consent): James F. Rooney (Lake Michigan area), chairperson; Roger Walsh (Inland area), Vice chairperson; Ralph Brzezinski (Lake Superior area), Maureen Kinney (Mississippi River area), and Lee Van Zeeland (Lake Winnebago watershed).

The 5-member Wisconsin Waterways Commission was created by Chapter 274, Laws of 1977. Its members serve staggered 5-year terms, and each must represent a specific geographic area and be knowledgeable about the area's recreational water use problems. The Commission may have studies conducted to determine the need for recreational boating facilities; approve financial aid to local governments for development of recreational boating projects, including the acquisition of weed harvesters; and recommend administrative rules for the recreational facilities boating program.

MEETINGS AND BY-LAWS: Does not have by-laws or meeting rules.

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: Governor

LENGTH OF TERM: 5 years

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chair: James F. Rooney (Term expires 3-1-2019)  
Lake Michigan Representative  
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| Vice-Chair: | Roger Walsh (Term expires 3-1-2023)<br>Inland Lake Representative<br>9215 Wilson Boulevard<br>Wauwatosa, WI 53226<br>(414) 453-0872 (home)<br>(262) 644-8923 (cabin in summer)<br>rwalsh76@wi.rr.com | Maureen Kinney (Term expired 3-1-2014)<br>Mississippi River Representative<br>620 S 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street<br>La Crosse, WI 54601<br>(608) 784-5678 (work)<br>(608) 784-9324 (home)<br>maureen@johnsflaherty.com |
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