

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting

January 26, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, R. Mohr, B. Rosenquist, K. Aron and 1 property owner.  
J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** The minutes for the October meeting were reviewed. Because of some questions, the meeting tape will be reviewed and the minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

**Treasurers Report:** R. Mohr presented the report. The loan payment of \$51,000 was made just after this month's report. Motion by J. Marks to approve as submitted, second by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

The final tax roll posting for 2016 was \$54,800 of special charges and \$10,695.20 of alum charges. The WLMD website is ready to go online. No further changes were discussed.

J. Marks said there were beavers in the N end channel and he contacted the trapper. He also said 7 atvs went thru the ice on area lakes and that the warden, Brad, needed contacts to help remove them. There are requirements when vehicles go through the ice.

K. Aron reminded the board that items not on the agenda are not to be debated. They can be said in comments, but there should not be responses, discussion, or decisions. In response to last meetings post-agenda discussions, K. Aron presented clarifications: the dam operator is hired by Racine County, not WLMD or the Drainage District. The operator is an employee of the County and the County is responsible for the operator's actions. The Legal levels of the dam is the center of the spillway. The Operating levels are two inches above and two inches below the spillway. If the level drops below or above those levels, there must be action taken to adjust the dam. It does not mean that the dam must be completely closed, or opened. It only means that adjustments must be done until the level goes back within the Operating level. Fishing is allowed on the South side of the bridge – it is at least 200 feet from the dam. It is posted as no trespassing so fishing there is between the angler and the property owner. Regarding the water in the canal downstream of the Wind Lake dam: The Rochester dam elevation is higher than the elevation of Wind Lake. The entire canal has not been dredged, so not only does the Rochester dam determine the water level in the canal, the undredged areas are holding water back as well. In response to claims of night-time dam operation being conducted, the legal logs submitted by J. Marks for payment as well as for submittal to DNR do not show any operation during nighttime hours. J. Marks stated when he went to the classes that the top causes of gate failure was lack of operation-that if you don't operate the gates, there will be a failure. There was a failure on the East gate. They had to replace the motor and cable that lifts the gate – the motor wouldn't start and the cable broke. J. Marks believes that the dam should be opened even during low level water to keep the gates from failing and that the amount of water released in 15 minutes is negligible.

**Public Comments:**

There was a question to clarify about fishing near the dam.

**Old Business:**

The Starry Stonewort Summit was well attended, with ACOE, SEWRPC, UWEX, 8 DNR staff (including regional staff up to high level managers) and the private consultants who have treated SSW. All of the current seasons results were presented, and then discussed the data presented. Afternoon discussion focused on the problems encountered and what can/should be done to improve the permitting and monitoring procedures. We were able to reach consensus on permit requirements, timing of treatments, monitoring required. We also identified key areas that need more discussion/debate to solve. This is very important so that new invasions can be reacted to swiftly and effectively. The extent of SSW in the Door County/Lake Michigan area is unknown because no one has looked yet except from the shoreline/piers. There is much work to be done, but the Summit was very well received by all involved.

**New Business:**

The board discussed the Vessel Safety Check. B. Rosenquist said the event will be June 3 and inspectors will be at the Boat Launch and Sportsmans. He has approval from Sportsmans, Lure-U-Inn and DNR. More people will be available to do the inspections. There will be a \$5 coupon to the first 10 that pass. R. Schopp motioned to approve solicitation of donation of promo items for the day, second by R. Mohr, motion carried.

Weed pickup program for 2017 was discussed, mid to late October will be added to the schedule. A tentative harvesting schedule has been discussed with the contractor. Everything will depend on weather and plant growth conditions.

The WLMD has been contacted by a landowner about acquiring his land that he cannot build on. Before any work is done on following through, K. Aron asked for the board's opinion. J. Marks also provided a contact that also has land he wants the district to take. B. Rosenquist motioned to investigate acquisition of two properties, second by J. Marks, motion carried with one abstention.

B. Rosenquist will not be at the February and March meeting.

R. Schopp will not be at the February and possibly the March meeting.

J Marks said he has additional information. He said DNR announced they are going to raise the limit for walleye to 18" for six surrounding counties. Current is 15" with a limit of 5.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for February 23, 2017.

WIND LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
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COMMISSIONERS MEETING – **February 23, 2017**

**HAS BEEN CANCELLED**  
Norway Town Hall

**THE FEBRUARY 23RD BOARD MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held March 23, 2017 at 7:00 pm, at the Norway Town Hall.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting

March 23, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, R. Mohr, K. Aron and 10 property owners.  
B. Rosenquist and R. Schopp were excused.  
J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the Oct 2016 meeting minutes by R. Mohr, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Marks, motion carried.  
Motion to approve the January 26, 2017 meeting minutes by J. Marks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Mohr, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** R. Mohr presented the report. Motion by J. Marks to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Bellante, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

J. Marks mentioned the fire on Breezy Point Rd, and the Fire Department's protocol for pulling water from the lake at the dam and at the boat launch. He said the property owner's cable phone system 911 did not work.

**Public Comments:**

A group of property owners gave the board an update on the progress toward conducting fireworks on Wind Lake. They have been encouraged to begin in 2017 rather than 2018. They are hoping that the WLMD can hold the fireworks to save the group the time and expense of becoming a 501(c) (3) organization. The item was not on the agenda so no discussion or action could be taken. It will be on the April agenda. A number of issues may be of concern: liability, tax deductions, use of WLMD property, opinion of the WLMD attorney, etc.

A landowner in the canal mentioned the difficulty getting on the lake because of shallow water in the navigational lane from the canal. This is another result of the lack of rain that led to the drop in lake level overall in 2016.

B. Slodowski asked the board to assist with getting permission to build on land on W. Wind Lake Rd. After a lengthy statement, the board again stated that 1) there can be no action taken on items not on the agenda, and 2) this is not a responsibility of the WLMD. He was encouraged to approach the Town and the County. This debate has been ongoing for more than 25 years.

**Old Business:**

The property owner on S Wind Lake Rd who approached the WLMD about acquiring his property, was not present. Because of that, and because 2 board members could not be present, J. Marks moved to table the discussion to the next meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Mohr, motion carried.

**New Business:**

The item of a boat launch inspection was removed from the agenda because of lack of information.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for April 27, 2017.

Minutes  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting

April 27, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, R. Mohr, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 8 property owners. B. Rosenquist and R. Schopp were excused.  
J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve March meeting minutes by R. Schopp, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Mohr, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** R. Mohr presented the report. Motion by B. Rosenquist to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Marks, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

B. Rosenquist reported that all is set for the Vessel Safety Check on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

J. Marks reported on the Conservation Congress meeting held annually to help determine environmental policy. He reported that the Fire Dept needs to put protection around holes that are cut through the ice. R. Mohr and J. Marks attended the Lakes Convention and reported on their sessions. R. Mohr continued to pursue groundwater information, but no one attending the conference had any information. People wanting permits for lakefront activities can apply online through the DNR website. Existing shoreline riprap can be repaired but it is difficult to get permits for new riprap. J. Marks reported on Lake Planning and Grants, lake district financials, Starry Stonewort and other invasive species, and Federal funding to states for invasive species.

**Public Comments:** None

**Old Business:**

The property owner on S Wind Lake Rd who approached the WLMD about acquiring his property, known as the Beirsach property, was not present. The board discussed the merits and pitfalls of taking ownership of the property that is wetland across the street from the lake. The property used to have a home on it. Now that the owner has taken down the home, they are being told that it is unbuildable because of the wetland designation. The landowner is behind on the taxes and is aware that they would need to be current prior to the district accepting the land. The board agreed that the best situation was to sell the property to the adjacent landowners. Because the land is isolated from the lake, its wetland benefit is considered negligible for the lake. It would require ongoing maintenance including mowing, nuisance species control, liability, dumping, etc. Acquisition by the WLMD would mean the land would come off the tax roll. J. Marks indicated the landowner should bring the taxes up to date and then the WLMD would decide. K. Aron explained that wasn't fair to the landowner who would then have spent the money for nothing if the board then voted against it. J. Marks moved to accept the property, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist. On a split vote, motion failed with the deciding vote cast by the Chairman.

**New Business:**

The board discussed the fireworks issue with the representatives attending the meeting. The committee has not raised funds yet because they have no legal entity to collect money under. They indicate it would cost about \$1,000 per year to maintain a separate organization. The WLMD attorney questioned whether the district should be directly involved, although he had no problem with allowing the group to use the WLMD property for staging purposes. According to the insurance company, the underwriter indicated that we would need the approval of the State since the waters are waters of the State. It is not known who that would be or whether other organizations have had to do that. Any group organized under the auspices of the WLMD would have to comply with open meeting and open records laws. The board indicated that they would need a copy of the fireworks suppliers' insurance policy. The district would need to be included as additional insured. The board needs more information on the proposed structure of the committee and its relationship with the WLMD. Based on that understanding, J. Marks motioned to move forward on supporting the fireworks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for May 25, 2017.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting

May 25, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, R. Mohr, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 9 property owners. J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** It was noted that the April minutes indicated that R. Schopp and B. Rosenquist were both present and excused. They are corrected by removing the reference to being excused. Motion to approve amended minutes by R. Mohr, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Schopp, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** R. Mohr presented the report. Motion by R. Schopp to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Marks, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

B. Rosenquist reported that all is set for the Vessel Safety Check on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lure u Inn said we can use their property if needed, the certificates for \$5 have been printed, the posters are out, and the notice is in the Town newsletter and the Hiliter. B. Rosenquist said he is investigating a life preserver loaner program. Weed pickup will begin in June, prior to the holiday.

R. Mohr indicated that there are about 30-40 geese on the lake.

**Public Comments:** None

**Old Business:**

The planned chemical treatment was not conducted because of weather. Although it appears that the weather on the 26<sup>th</sup> will be perfect for treatments, some board members have requested that no treatments be done prior to a holiday weekend. It will be rescheduled as soon as possible, however, schedules are being pushed back because of continued poor weather.

No one was present from the fireworks committee. No further action at this time.

**New Business:**

J. Bellante indicated that he has received a Letter of Resignation from R. Mohr. He indicated that he is not able to continue serving on the board because of personal reasons. J. Bellante praised R. Mohr for his years of service to the community. R. Mohr was one of the original organizers of the district, working for two years to get the district in place. Then he served on the board of commissioners from 1985 through 1991 and again from 2009 through 2017. J. Bellante said the community owes R. Mohr a debt of gratitude and appreciation for his service. R. Mohr was roundly thanked and he has agreed to assist his replacement.

J. Bellante nominated Gretchen Bellante as his replacement. G. Bellante has been attending meetings for a couple of years, has expressed a willingness to be on the board and is willing to serve as treasurer. R. Schopp motioned to approve G. Bellante's nomination to the board and to serve as treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried unanimously. G. Bellante took the Oath of Office and was welcomed to the board. The copier that R. Mohr has used for the past 3 or 4 years is the old one that the district had purchased many years ago. Parts are no longer available, and it is very large and very heavy. R. Schopp motioned to spend up to \$500 to replace the old copier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Mohr, motion carried. G. Bellante, R. Mohr, and K. Aron will meet at the bank tomorrow to sign the new documents.

J. Marks mentioned that genetic testing of milfoil can be done to determine if it is hybrid. K. Aron pointed out that whether or not it is hybrid does not usually affect what is done to control it, although there have been instances that it doesn't respond to treatment.

A property owner asked about the fence and trees along the boat launch property. K. Aron will meet with the landowner.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for June 22, 2017.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
June 22, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, R. Mohr, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 2 property owners. J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** J. Marks questioned the reference to R. Mohr's service. He indicated that J. Stridde passed away in 1993 and E. Himes assumed the treasurer's role for 1 year. He then said he beat E Himes in the election and that then J. Bluemel served for 2 terms. K. Aron will review the service record and bring the minutes back to the next meeting.

**Treasurers Report:** G. Bellante presented the report. Motion by J. Marks to approve as submitted, 2nd by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

B. Rosenquist reported that the weather was horrible for the Vessel Safety Check. It rained from 9:30 to 1:30 and only 2 or 3 boats came through. Two passed the inspection. He will consider another date change. He will provide VSC information to include on the WLMD website.

B. Rosenquist said that although he was considering a life vest program for at the boat launch, the liability may be too great, so he is not pursuing it.

K. Aron reported that 51 geese were removed from one property on West Wind Lake Rd. These geese were very tough to chase from an area. It was a very successful removal, taking only 10 or 15 minutes. J. Marks said he has received contacts complaining about the removal, and that geese could be removed during hunting season. He said we shouldn't be doing the removal every year. K. Aron pointed out that more than a third of landowners have signed permission to go onto their property to remove the birds. The property owners are very supportive of the program. In 2017, more calls regarding the problems with geese have been received than any other year.

J. Marks said he has received calls complaining about the lake patrol. He was directed to send all calls to the police dept and Town because the WLMD has no jurisdiction or responsibility over that.

**Public Comments:** None

**Old Business:**

Weather has made conducting herbicide treatment difficult. One treatment has been done, and another one has been scheduled. Harvesting was conducted the week of June 10. J. Marks said he thought that weeds should be cut, then sprayed. K. Aron explained why that will not be effective – most of the areas are areas too shallow to harvest. Once the weeds are cut, there will be no plant material left to absorb the herbicide, rendering it ineffective. Weeds were harvested where they were dense: which was the NE end of the lake. There was no milfoil on the South or Northwest ends of the lake. Harvesting took place from the North point East.

The next possible harvesting was discussed, the 10<sup>th</sup> of July. J. Marks motioned to do the harvesting that week, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

No one was present from the fireworks committee. J. Marks moved to table the fireworks discussion indefinitely, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

**New Business:**

The property owner next to the District's Wind Lake boat launch property was present and asked the board to remove a couple of ash trees on the District's property. The two trees are just East of the concrete driveway. T. Flunker indicated that if the contractor can drop the trees, he will take the wood. J. Marks motioned to remove the trees, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for July 27, 2017.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
July 27, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, G. Bellante, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 3 property owners. J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** The June minutes were corrected to list G. Bellante instead of R. Mohr as the board member present. B. Rosenquist motioned to approve the minutes as corrected, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Schopp, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** G. Bellante presented the report. Motion by B. Rosenquist to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Marks, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

K. Aron distributed a list of all elected board members to clarify who was on the board since 1985.

K. Aron provided information on the lake elevation, the rainfall, and flooding. J. Marks stated that the flooding allowed carp into the lake, and that the dam wasn't adjusted properly during the rain events.

K. Aron explained the status of the potential Little Muskego drawdown this fall. The City has to approve the project, and if they do, they will attempt to drawdown the lake up to 7 ft to try to freeze out Starry Stonewort. They cannot drawdown more than the downstream lakes and streams can handle while maintaining normal elevations.

New rules have been approved that affects small-scale dredging. The information is on the DNR website to remove up to 25 cubic yards over a 5 year time frame. All applications must be done online.

K. Aron has given G. Bellante a check to move the SSW AIS Summit funds into the regular WLMD checking account to eliminate a monthly charge.

J. Marks mentioned that there were efforts to prevent goose roundups in Waukesha County court. He said 15,000 petition signatures were submitted, however, K. Aron informed the board that most of those were from online and out of the state by a radical group.

Additional comments were made about police enforcement on the lake. Any issues and/or problems must be submitted to the police commission. WLMD has no authority or influence on the police activity.

J. Marks said he had received complaints that Breezy Bay was sprayed rather than harvested. K. Aron said that she had received no such complaints and in fact had received a complimentary email about the work done.

**Public Comments:** One resident commented on fishing regulations.

**Old Business:**

Chemical treatments have been done. We have harvested twice. The harvester will be back out next week. Roadside pickup is ongoing but it has been delayed by equipment problems and the flooding debris pickups.

Representatives for the Fireworks Committee were present to discuss their progress and funding. Because the issue was tabled, R. Schopp motioned to bring the discussion to the table, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried. The discussion focused on asking the annual meeting to add an additional charge to lakefront landowner's annual bill to pay for fireworks. It was considered to ask to charge all, but that was rejected. R. Schopp motioned to ask lakefront only property owners to pay an additional \$25 for fireworks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried with J. Marks abstaining. The item will be added to the Annual Meeting agenda.

**New Business:**

The board reviewed the draft budget. The charge for the ash tree removal at the S. Wind Lake Rd property will be added as soon as it comes in, otherwise it is a final draft. R. Schopp motioned to approve the draft and agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Bellante, It was clarified that the budget approval will follow the fireworks discussion and that if the fireworks are approved, the budget will be amended to add that charge.

K Aron distributed a Contact Sheet and asked it to be approved for use by the board. It would help prevent the problems seen at the last annual meeting, and subsequent board meetings. J. Marks has repeatedly reported that many people are contacting him, but none have ever followed through and contacted K. Aron

so that it can be evaluated. Landowners at the Annual Meeting stated that no one had replied to their problems, yet few had actually contacted the district office. Unless K. Aron knows about a problem, it cannot be investigated and resolved. K. Aron's sheet had all the contact from landowners since that last board meeting. It includes the landowners name and contact info, why they called, and what the resolution was. This can also help track common issues that need to be considered. R. Schopp motioned to require the use of the sheets for all board members to record landowner contacts, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried with J. Marks abstaining.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for August 24, 2017.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
August 24, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, G. Bellante, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron.  
J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** B. Rosenquist motioned to approve the minutes as corrected, 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Bellante, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** G. Bellante presented the report. Motion by R. Schopp to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

K. Aron circulated the form with the list of landowner contacts that have taken place since the last meeting. Board members reported no landowner contacts.

**Public Comments:** : None.

**Old Business:**

K. Aron presented the information on the discovery of Starry stonewort in Wind Lake. She explained the work done to date, including survey work, maps created, treatment applications to DNR, grant resolutions, etc. Starry stonewort is in the deep water area of Wind Lake 3 to 9 feet, just South and West of Sportsmans. Annual meeting resolutions for 2 years have directed the board to conduct immediate treatments and do what is necessary to react quickly. It will cost approximately \$50,000 to treat the entire area. Funds are available from the unspent portion of the weed control budget for the year that just ended. There are two state grants that will be applied for, a \$20,000 grant and/or a \$200,000 grant. G. Bellante motioned to conduct the treatments and to approve the resolutions, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

The issue of the life vest program for the boat launch was discussed. K. Aron pointed out that the paperwork provided by DNR included agreements for use of the launch, and for conducting the program. It was discovered that the two contracts conflict. One says that each entity handles their own liability. The other says that the WLMD would be liable. The WLMD insurance underwriter has indicated that this falls outside of the jurisdiction of lake districts and therefore would not be covered. He cited Chpt 33. Possible liability problems include improperly sized, improperly worn life jackets, etc. The consensus was to approach the town about doing the program.

**New Business:**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Sept 7, 2017 after the annual meeting.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
September 7, 2016

Present: M. Bluemel, R. Schopp, J. Marks, J. Bellante, B. Rosenquist, and K. Aron.

J. Bellante called the board meeting to order at 8:50 pm, immediately following the Annual Meeting.

M. Bluemel took the oath of office.

B. Rosenquist moved to nominate J. Marks for Chair. R. Schoppe nominated J. Bellante. On the vote, J. Marks was elected Chair, with a 3/2 vote. M. Bluemel nominated B. Rosenquist for Secretary, J. Bellante nominated M. Bluemel. On the vote, B. Rosenquist was elected Secretary on a 3/2 vote. R. Schopp nominated J. Bellante for Treasurer, B. Rosenquist nominated M. Bluemel. On the vote, M. Bluemel was elected Treasurer.

K. Aron presented two Resolutions for the board's approval. One is for a Rapid Response Grant application, the 2<sup>nd</sup> is for an Established Species Grant application. After a review of the resolutions, both were approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2016 at 7 pm.



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## THE 2017 ANNUAL MEETING & BUDGET HEARING

Will be held Thursday September 7 at the Norway Town Hall. The meeting will begin promptly at 7 pm. All residents and landowners are encouraged to attend. Annual meetings are always very important, with a number of votes taken on various issues. The proposed budget for the year, the agenda and the minutes from the 2016 meeting are included in this newsletter.

**Aquatic Plants (Weeds):** Milfoil has continued to be a big problem in the North and Northwest part of the lake. Curly-leaf pondweed, which dies off in mid-summer, was significantly down from last year. Native plants are abundant, covering much of the lakebed. Some of the native plants, like Chara, continue to be abundant and can cause a problem for boaters near shore.

**Invasive Species:** We continue to face a threat from a new, highly invasive aquatic plant called Starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*). Starry stonewort (SSW) has been found in five lakes in Wisconsin: Big Muskego and Little Muskego in Waukesha County, Long Lake (Ke-Nong-Go-Mong Lake) in Racine County, and Silver Lake and Pike Lake in Washington County. The invasive is also in at least two lakes in Minnesota. The Long Lake Protection District is leading the work to determine effective controls, and have developed leading-edge methods. WLMD is doing everything possible to prevent getting this invasive. Property owners and lake users can do their part by being sure only clean boats and equipment enters Wind Lake.

**Algae:** Filamentous algae is a slimy mat-type algae that accumulates along the shorelines. Nitrogen levels in runoff fuels filamentous algae growth early in the season. Filamentous algae was way down from previous years.

**Weed Chemical Treatment:** We have conducted chemical treatments this year, targeting navigational areas. Some areas have been difficult because the water lilies have been growing profusely. All treatments are done under supervision of the DNR. Although landowners may request that all plants be treated, DNR may refuse to allow their treatment. We take every effort to open up areas when allowed. Treatments can only be conducted when either invasive species are present, or when a nuisance condition exists. A nuisance condition is interpreted as plant growth that interferes with lake use.

**Harvesting:** As of this newsletter, the harvester has been on Wind Lake for three weeks. The harvester focused on making sure navigational lanes were open for boaters, and cutting the milfoil and curly-leaf.

**Road-side Weed Pick-up:** The road-side weed pick-up program continued this summer to give landowners a place to go with the raked lake plant debris. Because the amount of invasive weeds continued to be down this year, the amount of roadside weeds picked up was also low early in the summer. Although the board initially decided to discontinue the pickups, heavy floating plants in late August and September led to the program being re-instated. Pickups are done once a month.

**Goose Control:** The goose control program was conducted this year. The USDA was able to roundup 51 geese from one location. Goose control will continue next summer.

**Boat Inspection:** The WLMD partnered with the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Wisc. Power Squadron conducted the boat inspections. Extremely bad weather the day of the inspection led to only a couple of boats being inspected at two locations, the DNR boat launch and Sportsman's.

## **FIREWORKS ON WIND LAKE**

Over the past year, a local group of residents has been working to bring a 4th of July fireworks display to Wind Lake. Many lakes in this area have fireworks displays.

Along with conducting other fundraising programs, the committee has asked to be added to the agenda for the 2017 Annual Meeting. They are asking the Annual Meeting to consider approving an additional \$25 per year to be charged to lakefront landowners. The funds would be used to support the 4th of July fireworks display.

This will be discussed and voted on prior to the Budget approval at the meeting.

## **MINUTES - Annual Meeting Sept 8, 2016**

Present: R. Mohr, B. Rosenquist, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron, J. Bellante, and approx. 75 residents.

J. Bellante called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Introductions of the board were made.

The 2015 Annual Meeting minutes were approved as printed.

An update on the past year's activities was given, including:

- Voting: K. Aron discussed voting eligibility. Anyone who owns property in the District, is listed on the tax roll, or is a legal voter and living in the District is eligible. State law does not allow absentee or proxy votes.
- Lake Level: This has been a hot dry summer. Rainfall is 5" to 6" down. The Wind Lake dam has been closed since May 16th and Big Muskego has not released any water to Wind Lake since July 13. There is a display showing the water levels of the entire system, along with informational materials to read. The Wind Lake dam controls the water level in Wind Lake. The Rochester dam controls the water level in the Fox River up to the Waterford dam, as well as the water level in the Wind Lake canal below the Wind Lake dam. Everyone is encouraged to review the materials.
- Plant Management: Milfoil growth was way down again this summer. Curly-leaf pondweed growth was heavier than usual, especially in the NE end of the lake. No Starry stonewort has been found in Wind Lake.

- Starry Stonewort: This highly invasive species is now in 6 states, including Wisconsin. Big Muskego, Little Muskego in Waukesha County, Long Lake-Racine County, Silver, Pike and Green Lakes in Washington County, and Sturgeon Bay in Door County all have starry stonewort. Please clean your equipment between lakes. This is the best way to prevent the spread of SSW.
- Chemical Treatments: There have been three treatments this summer, primarily to maintain navigational access.
- Harvesting: Lack of milfoil and low water levels later in the summer resulted in one harvesting operation being conducted, for 7 days, for a total of \$10,900.
- Roadside Weed Pickup: Once a month pickups have been done this year. There have been a few issues with the new contractor missing some roads.
- Geese: The roundup was done in 2016. This was the cheapest roundup ever. A total of 48 geese, 13 adults and 35 juveniles were removed for a cost of approx \$1400. Nineteen pounds of meat was given to a food pantry.
- The water quality of Wind Lake is out of the eutrophic (high nutrients) range. This is what the district has been trying to achieve since its inception and the development of the first lake plan. The clarity is now very clear, ranging from 9 to 15 feet in 2015, and 12 to 15 feet in 2016. The alum treatment is continuing to have a very good impact on the quality of the lake.
- Lake Patrol: The patrol issued a number of citations on Wind Lake. Violations included 19 parking, 2 numbers, 2 speeding, 4 gunwales, 6 fire extinguishers, 2 underage operators, 4 batteries, and 4 OWI.

After the update, J. Bellante asked if there were any comments and/or questions. He asked that residents approach the microphone so all could hear.

Jay Warner, Breezy Pt Rd - Indicated that the channel into Breezy Bay was not navigable and there were too many weeds. He asked why nothing was done. K. Aron indicated that the board member, J. Marks, who lives on the channel, has repeatedly told the board that nothing was needed in that area, and the board relied on his statements. No one along the channel called or emailed the District to indicate there was a problem.

Mark Anderson, Breezy Pt Rd - Indicated that the Breezy Bay channel needs to be dredged. He said for 10 years J. Marks has told him that the request is in to

DNR and why is nothing being done. K. Aron indicated that there is no budget for dredging; it is a 4 to 5 year process to get the engineering and permitting done. J. Marks is wrong: there is not, and never has been a request submitted to DNR.

Chuck Wesolowski, Breezy Pt Rd - Indicated that the water has to be going somewhere, that evaporation cannot be the only reason the lake is so low. He stated that none of the other lakes are low. The dam is not being maintained, and the District needs to do something. K. Aron restated her earlier comments on the lake level and reiterated that the information is on the display and the handouts should be read. People in the audience shouted that they don't want to read anything, they want the problem fixed. Chairman J. Bellante pointed out that he met with Julie Anderson at Racine County, head of the Public Works Dept, amount others. NO ONE has called, emailed, texted, or personally gone to the County to complain or ask why the lake was so low.

Elaine Stewart, W Wind Lake Rd - Indicated that the lake should be kept at the highest level possible. K Aron said that it is, but we cannot make it rain. Stewart then complained about the eel grass saying that it creates big mats and should be harvested. K. Aron responded that it has been skimmed in the near shore areas in previous years, but that this year the water level is too low to do that. The loaded equipment cannot get in to shore to offload. Stewart asked about the increase in the budget to do a plant survey and plant management plan. K. Aron responded that DNR requires surveys and plans in order to get a 5-year harvesting permit. DNR also changed the protocol required to be followed. Instead of 110 sample points, the District is now required to sample 900 + points, at considerable price increase. Stewart said she thinks the District needs to get bids because it is over \$10,000.

An outburst from the floor wanted to know why K. Aron is answering all the questions, when the board members are present. J. Bellante explained that K. Aron is the professional hired by the District. He indicated that he is not willing to make stuff up just to sound important. In response to continued outbursts, J. Bellante asked the woman to get in line to speak at the mic and declared her out of order. E. Stewart charged that all the people want is honesty, that K. Aron is running the show and not listening, and the board members are not participating.

Frank Bellante, S Wind Lake Rd - He challenged the notion that the board is not participating. He has been to most of the meetings over the past year plus and has not seen any of those who are now complaining.

Those complaining don't bother to show up except for this meeting to complain.

After more outbursts, J. Bellante again called for order and said the police can be called to maintain order. He said that the meeting was here to get something done, not to have disruptions. Because of continued lack of order, the police were asked to be present.

Frank Bellante concluded that if people want to have something done, they need to show up at the monthly board meetings and express their problems and possible solutions.

J. Orne, Breezy Pt - Concerned about lake level and a lack of dissemination of information. He asked who owned the dam (Racine County), and said he has retained an environmental attorney who is looking at the dam issue. He wants a copy of the County dam engineering report. He asked what the District based the evaporation data on. K. Aron indicated that the US Geological Survey had an evaporation pan on the shore of Wind Lake for two years, recording evaporation rates as part of the \$250,000 study. The rates are based on ACTUAL measurements, not hypothetical rates. R. Schopp said that many lakes are down, including Waubeesee which is down more than one foot. Orne charged that the required information has not been provided to the state, that there are more than a few leaks, that something has to be done.

Jim Bluemel Jr, E Wind Lake Rd - The entire budget should be spent; only a fraction of the weed budget has been spent. He believes there are too many weeds that should have been dealt with. The lake should be cutting weekly. He said the lake lot the District owns should be used to allow harvesting all the time and dredge the shoreline if needed. K. Aron indicated that if the water is low, the harvester can't get in to shore scoop up the weeds, and then can't get back to shore with a load of weeds. He asked why starry stonewort isn't in Wind Lake. K. Aron explained the growth structure of SSW and how it moves. We don't expect it to come downstream, but we do expect it will come in through a boat launch. J. Bluemel asked about the property the District owns on Muskego Dam Rd. K. Aron explained the history with the purchase, and that the initial goals for the land may no longer be valid, and would certainly be cost prohibitive now.

Rene Rehwald, W Loomis Rd - After hearing the complaints, she asked if we could have people from each area come to the monthly meetings with status reports for the board. In response to a question about who lives on the lake, R. Mohr-30 yrs, J. Marks and B. Rosenquist, and J. Bellante lives in the District. R. Schopp lived many years on the lake and now lives on

Waubeesee Lake.

Elaine Stewart, W Wind Lake - She said that her suggestion to have an email list was presented to the board and was shot down by K. Aron. K. Aron stated that for the past 2 years, every newsletter asked for email addresses for those who want to be kept up to date on what is going on in the District. Anyones email address then is part of public record and must be provided when requested. To date, ONE person asked to be put on the email list. Anything that goes to the board, including minutes and agendas, goes to that person. Because she didn't believe K. Aron, the newsletter reference in the Annual Meeting notice was shown to her. Stewart charged that the emails would be controlled by K. Aron. J. Bellante reminded the attendees that the District is a governmental unit that MUST comply with state law on open records and notices. No other units of local government in the area are doing this. Making this a personal attack on K. Aron is not okay. To suggest that the District is somehow restricting access is ridiculous.

Rene Rehwald, W Loomis Rd - I never got an answer to my question about a group to attend the meetings. She is willing to coordinate a group. B. Rosenquist indicated he may be interested in working with such a group.

Lori Stapelton, E Wind Lake Rd - Indicated that she would not pay the lake fee but thinks it should be based on where the house is so she would only pay an off-lake fee. Her request to re-evaluate her charges was rejected by the board in early 2014. She was forced to remove her ice shanty and pier so shouldn't have to pay the lake fee. The District has no responsibility about ice shanties or piers.

Jeff Shook, E Wind Lake Rd - in response to creating a committee/board, Shook indicated that the easy way to deal with all this is to contact the board, call, send an email or attend the meetings. He said he has gotten responses every time, even though he may not like the answer. This board has jobs, a life and yet always responds. He said he attends many meetings, and rarely sees anyone else there. He thanked the board for their service.

(Could not hear name) - She asked how often K. Aron goes out on the lake. K. Aron responded that it varies. She has been out there more because of SSW. All questions about possible SSW is investigated, as well as needs for treatments and harvesting. She asked how many calls does the District have to get to register a concern to check out. K. Aron said ONE. Aron said there are areas that are always a problem, others are a one-time situation that someone has called or emailed about. An example is along the outfall from Harbor Point. One phone call led to a

treatment being done. Fifty calls aren't needed. K. Aron said a specific question is always asked of the board at the meetings for input about what is a problem in their areas. If the board says there is no problem, then she doesn't worry about it. The lake district phone line goes to K. Aron.

R Mohr said that the lake has NEVER looked as good as it does now. K. Aron said no chemical treatments or harvesting has been done in front of R. Mohr's this year.

Michael Stewart, W Wind Lake - Asked if the District has a plan for dealing with SSW if/when it gets to Wind Lake. K. Aron said that DNR holds the key to issuing permits for SSW control, but the District intends to be very aggressive and it is and has been in the District's annual resolution each year.

Ralph Schopp said that Long Lake's annual meeting in October will provide updates about the SSW problem in that lake. That meeting is Oct 13, 2016.

Mike Iannelli, Breezy Pt - said that the other meetings (Board meetings) don't count. Only the annual meeting counts.

Jeremy Sauld, W Loomis Rd - Asked what is being done on Little and Big Muskego to keep it from spreading. Divers and suction harvesting have been used at great expense for little results. Chemicals are now being used to keep the launches open. Clean Boats Clean Water volunteers are also used but only 2 days per week.

Jay Warner, Breezy Pt Rd - asked a question on the process of the budget, who in the City approves the budget, total expenses, etc. R Schopp and K. Aron explained the process and how to read the various columns. The Town has no involvement in the budget.

J. Bellante read the Budget Resolution 1-2016. There was a motion to approve the Resolution, a 2nd and the motion carried, approving the budget as presented.

B. Rosenquist was up for re-election as commissioner. J. Bellante called for nominations from the floor. B. Rosenquist and Brian Raditz were nominated for the position. The two candidates were asked to give a short presentation of themselves and why they are seeking the position. After the vote, B. Rosenquist was re-elected to the board for a three year term.

The 2017 Annual Meeting date will either be the 1st or 2nd Thursday in September, depending on the Green Bay Packers schedule.

J. Bellante asked if there was any other business to come before the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

## PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES

History has shown us that once invasive species are present in a lake, it is pretty much impossible to completely eradicate it. So prevention is the key:

- Don't move your boat and fishing equipment from lake to lake without thoroughly decontaminating it.
- Remove all plant fragments from your boat, trailer, anchor ropes, live wells, etc.
- Dump all your bilge water when leaving a lake.
- Do not transport fish in water. Dump all water and put your fish on ice.
- Flush your motor cooling system between lakes.
- Keeping your boat and equipment dry docked for a week will help prevent spreading invasives.
- Try to avoid launching into a lake with a "dirty" boat launch, one that has lots of weed fragments floating around.
- Check out the Wisconsin DNR website for more information on Clean Boats.

## ADDRESSES ON PIERS

Please consider putting your house numbers on the end of your pier so they are visible from the lake. This will greatly help with the plant management on the lake, making it easier for the contractors to find specific areas.

## HELPFUL INFORMATION

*Who is eligible to vote:* Anyone of legal voting age, who owns property, or lives within the boundaries of the Wind Lake Management District.

*Can I get an absentee ballot or can I designate a proxy:* No. Because of the way state law governing lake district's is written, one must be present to vote at a lake district annual meeting.

*Can the annual meeting change our taxes without us knowing in advance:* Yes. Under current state law, residents present at the meeting have the right to modify the tax and budget without prior notice to property owners.

*My neighbor lives in Illinois-he can't vote:* Yes he can. Lake districts are the only form of government in Wisconsin to allow a non-resident (as long as they own property in the lake district) to vote or hold office.

## NEW DREDGING RULES IN WISCONSIN

DNR is now accepting applications for general permits for small-scale dredging projects. The new general permit streamlines the approval process.

This process allows waterfront property owners to remove small volume amounts of lake bed to improve navigation or recreation. The permit is valid for 5 years and allows up to 25 cubic years to be removed in eligibility criteria and conditions are met.

These permits are not available for areas that have been designated Sensitive Areas or Areas of Special Natural Resource Interest.

Permit applications must be submitted online. Go to [DNR.wi.gov](http://DNR.wi.gov) and search for "dredging permit".

## HOW TO TELL NATIVE CHARA FROM THE INVASIVE STARRY STONEWORT

Chara	Starry Stonewort
When you crush Chara, it has a very musky odor.	No musky odor.
Chara stems don't "crush"	SSW stems "ooze" when split and crushed.
Has a "uniform", tight appearance in the water.	SSW is more shaggy in appearance and has much more branching.
Has a thick, coarse, gritty feel (from the calcium coating)	No gritty feel.
No bulbils.	Has star-shaped bulbils (2 - 5 mm).
Usually grows to 2 to 3 feet tall.	Grows to 6 feet tall or more.
Chara does not react well to herbicide use because of the calcium coating.	SSW responds to Cutrine Ultra, with or without Hydrothol; and Clipper.
Very difficult to harvest because of its coarseness.	Difficult to harvest because of the amount of biomass.
	Spreads extremely easily from fragments and from the bulbils.
	Needs less light to grow so it grows in much deeper water than usually in the lake.
	Likes the same lake bed characteristics as Chara.



**ANNUAL MEETING & BUDGET HEARING AGENDA - WLMD**  
**Thursday September 7, 2017 at 7 pm Norway Town Hall**

Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions - Board Members, Guests

Approve Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting

Project Update - A review of 2017 and plans for 2018

Consideration and action on request from Fireworks Committee asking Lakefront landowners to add \$25 to their annual charge per year to support the 4th of July fireworks.

Budget Hearing and Approval - Resolution 1-2017:

Whereas the Board of Commissioners has proposed the enclosed budget for the WLMD for the year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018;

And Whereas, notice of the Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting was provided to residents and landowners;

And Whereas, the Board has proposed the annual special charge be assessed at \$220 lakefront, \$130 canal and \$90 off lake;

And Whereas, the Board recommends the projects presented herein;

And Whereas, the 1997 annual meeting gave the Board authority for short term borrowing to cover grant reimbursements not yet received;

And Whereas, the 2010 Annual Meeting approved the levy of irrevocable taxes to repay the State Loans;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the projects included in the budget, as may be amended by the Annual Meeting, are hereby approved;

Be It Further Resolved, that the WLMD is authorized to bill property owners as directed by the Annual Meeting;

Be It Further Resolved, that the WLMD board is authorized to apply for available grants;

Be It Further Resolved, that the authorization for short term borrowing to cover grant reimbursements not yet received is continued through this budget year;

**Be It Further Resolved, that the WLMD board shall take swift, and immediate action if / when invasive species such as starry stonewort are found in Wind Lake;**

Be It Further Resolved, that the special charges approved by this Resolution shall be payable from July 1, 2017 to October 1, 2017 at which time unpaid special charges will be placed on the December 2017 tax rolls and will **include a \$20 surcharge.**

Election of Commissioner – Current board member Gretchen Bellante's term is up for re-election. The board nominates her for election to the post. Nominations from the floor are welcome.

Set date for 2018 Annual Meeting - First or Second Thursday of September (Depending on Packer Schedule)

New Business

Adjourn

A Board of Commissioners meeting will be held immediately following the Annual Meeting to elect officers.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2017, at the Norway Town Hall.

## **WIND LAKE WEBSITE/EMAIL**

www.wlmd.org  
info@wlmd.org

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Lake District Line	514-3238
Joe Bellante	895-6694
Ralph Schopp	414-531-6020
Jim Marks	895-7872
Bruce Rosenquist	895-3942
Gretchen Bellante	262-332-9078

Commissioners meetings are usually held the 4th Thursday of every month, with the November and December meeting combined. Meetings begin at 7:00 pm at the Norway Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## **NEED MORE INFORMATION?**

If you do, check out our website. The site has:

- Meetings, schedules, agendas, and minutes
- Information about who to contact for various activities.
- Links to other lake-related sites
- Information about who to contact for various activities
- The latest lake depth map of Wind Lake
- Other special notices as needed are also posted on the site.

**You can also send an email to [info@wlmd.org](mailto:info@wlmd.org) to be put on a list to receive meeting notices and updates. Note that your email is then considered public information.**

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Wind Lake Management District  
30910 Royal Hill Rd.  
Burlington, WI 53105

Minutes  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
October 26, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, M. Bluemel, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 4 citizens.  
J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** B. Rosenquist motioned to approve the minutes of Aug 24 and Sept 7, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Bellante, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** M. Bluemel presented the report. Motion by J. Bellante to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist, motion carried. Taxes will be finalized with the County, to date, \$9,500 for Alum charges, and \$45,300 for Special charges will be posted as well as \$6340 in late fees. There may be slight changes between now and the final posting.

**Information and Correspondence:**

We have received the USGS contract for this year, it is as expected and budgeted for.

The website stats were reviewed.

J. Marks commented on NR 177 that is being considered by the State legislature. If passed, it makes modifications to the wetland protections in the State.

B. Rosenquist asked that the Vessel Safety Check be put on the next agenda to set the date.

**Public Comments:** : One of the residents asked the board to identify themselves. J. Nastal objected to the fireworks discussion at the annual meeting and asked for more information as to how it was even brought up.

Another resident asked about reflectors on buoys. The buoys are the responsibility of the Town Lake Patrol.

R. Mayer asked why the WLMD doesn't sell the property next to the launch. J. Marks responded that "we were notified by DNR not to park in the launch".

Some weeds were missed in the last roadside pickup – K. Aron will contact ASDA.

**Old Business:**

The issue of the life vest program for the boat launch was discussed. The Town was approached to sponsor this, but there has been no action to date. It is tabled here until the Town acts.

**New Business:**

The revised draft APM Plan was distributed to the board (digital copy was distributed a week earlier). Some discussion and questions took place about various parts of the plan. The board will finish their review and submit comments.

J. Marks requested that the property owner on S Wind Lake Rd be contacted in light of the potential passage of NR 177.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for November 30, 2017.

**Minutes**  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
November 30, 2017

**Present:** J. Bellante, J. Marks, M. Bluemel, B. Rosenquist, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 5 citizens.  
J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes:** M. Bluemel motioned to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Bellante, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** M. Bluemel presented the report. Motion by B. Rosenquist to approve as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Bellante motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

J. Marks brought up the beaver problem on the Muskego Canal. He said that no one wants to trap beavers because the price of fur has dropped. He asked for approval to pay \$50 a beaver up to \$250. M. Bluemel made the motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Rosenquist. K. Aron reminded the board that this was not on the agenda and therefore should not be acted upon. K. Aron asked what category in the budget the money should come out of. J. Marks said Land Maintenance. On the vote, all approved with J. Bellante dissenting.

K. Aron distributed the Landowner Contact Sheet which documents landowner contacts received since the last meeting. Board members reported having no landowner contacts.

J. Marks said the proposed drainage district bill has a condition that they can't acquire additional land if a storm water district exists and meets 4 times a year.

J. Marks reported that rip rap permits are no longer needed for projects less than 100 feet. He said this was passed in the last State budget.

J. Marks reported that Little Muskego drawdown project came in under their \$51,000 budget.

**Public Comments:**

One resident asked why the District should provide life jackets. She indicated that lake users with boats should have their own life jackets.

**Old Business:**

The issue of the life vest program for the boat launch was discussed. The Town was approached to sponsor this, but there has been no action to date. The board discussed moving forward with the program, however, K. Aron reminded the board that the two program contracts conflict with each other. One contract says DNR and the WLMD would be liable for their own actions. The other contract says the WLMD would be liable for either entities actions. K. Aron will follow up with DNR to see if this can be resolved.

The draft APM plan was discussed as revised. There were a couple more changes, with those made, the motion was made by M. Bluemel to approve the plan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Bellante, motion carried. K. Aron reported that the grant application to manage the SSW is being developed and will be ready by the Feb 1 deadline.

**New Business:**

The board approved having the Vessel Safety Check on June 9, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for January 25, 2018.