

**MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WIND LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Norway Town Hall**

**Thursday February 25, 2021  
7:00 pm**

Present: Chairman Mike Bluemel, Secretary Ron Mayer, Treasurer Jeremy Sauld, County Rep Joe Bellante, Town Rep Ralph Schopp, Bruce Rosenquist, and Jim Marks. Three citizens attended.

**Minutes**

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm**

**Approve minutes for January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting**

Schopp made a motion to accept minutes as presented, Bellante second. Motion passed 6-0.

**Treasurers Report**

Sauld provided verbal and written report. Sauld also provided update on accountant audit. Motion made by Mayer to approve as presented, second by Rosenquist. Motion passed 6-0.

**Information and Correspondence**

Marks stated that he was contacted by DNR about the swans and he also provided information on the Bird Flu pandemic. He stated that there are 16 new eagles in the area. Marks also provided information on GPS side-scan options. Marks also provided information on goose control options which will be added to the website.

Bluemel signed and sent in the USGS contract.

**Public Comments**

Citizen question on if the WLMD was going to do anything with the swans. The DNR deals with the swans. The WLMD just provided the information..

**Old Business**

**Harvester production update**

Rosenquist provided an update on the progress of the harvester. Many pieces have been painted and the diesel engine should be in next week.

### **Discussion of possible options for disposal of harvested weeds**

Rosenquist mentioned that one contact backed out prior to the contract being signed. Other leads will be checked with an update next month.

### **Discussion and possible action on SSW Grant, including remaining funds**

Bluemel emailed his contact and is waiting for an update.

### **Discussion and possible action on funding balance of harvester payment.**

Mayer and Sauld provided update on finances. After assessment, both feel comfortable that there will be sufficient assets to pay balance of harvester and complete operations in 2021. With no loan needed, no action was taken.

### **Update on chemical treatment permit**

Bellante provided update of permit progress. A few items were still required to complete the process. He is working with Brian Suffran on getting the permit process completed. The information will also be included in the spring newsletter.

### **Update/Discussion on Lake Lot**

Mayer provided update that the neighboring property owner would like to present an offer at March meeting. Item will be added to bottom of the agenda.

### **Discussion on Operational Plan for Harvesting/Program Checklist**

Bluemel discussed setting standards for contract with trucking firm, program coordinator, and temp agency and having them ready for the March meeting. Standards will be included in the spring newsletter.

There was discussion on bids for roadside pickup, trucking firm, and temp agency, with the plan to accept/open bids at the April meeting. There was also discussion on the specs for the Harvesting Program Coordinator, with potential selection of the coordinator at April meeting after interviews. Members should bring their recommendations to the March meeting.

Open discussion on taking delivery of the harvester and receiving training in May.

Discussion on insurance and consensus agreement that we should stay with the same firm until the main policy is due for renewal.

Discussion on storage options for spare parts and fuel. Bluemel might have an option for a trailer that will be parked on the lake lot.

Brief discussion on improving the lake lot access. Schopp will contact Town about removing dirt and bringing in stone.

### **Update on IRS/WI Tax Filing**

Sauld contacted Waubeesee treasurer and confirmed that we don't need to file any tax forms.

### **Discussion and possible action on accountant and audit backlog**

Discussion on that it is not a good time to switch accounting firm.  
Consensus was to stay with KCG for the immediate future.

### **Discussion on SSW treatment and Milfoil**

Open discussion on how much to treat/spend for chemical treatments.  
Consensus was to treat SSW in shallow problem areas with new chemical combination and to continue regular chemical treatments similar to other years.

### **New Business**

#### **Discussion and possible action on process for separation from District**

There was brief discussion on the criteria that was provided by Eric Olson of the UW Extension. Board will finalize the criteria at the April meeting.  
There will possibly be a hearing with the property owner at May meeting.

### **Public Comments**

Citizen question on the request to separate from the District and the criteria.

Citizen question about the Muskego Dam property and budget items.

Question about the chemical treatment permit process.

Discussion on the potential sale of portion of lake lot.

### **Any other business that may properly come before this Board**

None

**Adjourn.** At 9:50pm