

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

Norway Town Hall

**Monday January 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. Six citizens attended.

Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm

Approve Minutes for December 3rd and December 22nd Meetings

One minor adjustment to Dec 3rd minutes was suggested. Motion made by Bellante to approve as amended, second by Schopp. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Sauld to approve Dec 22nd minutes as presented, second by Marks. Motion passed 6-0.

There was a suggestion to add water mark to posted minutes until they are approved.

Treasurer Report

J. Sauld provided written and verbal report on end of 18 month budget. Motion by Mayer to approve, second by Marks. Motion passed 6-0.

J. Sauld provided written and verbal report on January treasurer report. Motion by Bellante to approve as presented, seconded by Schopp. Follow up discussion on checking account balance and incoming invoices. Motion passed 6-0.

Update on Racine County Tax Upload/Lake Fees

Sauld mentioned that all reimbursement checks have been mailed.

Information and Correspondence

Marks mentioned that he had been contacted by a couple residents that had multiple properties. Marks spoke to Lake and Pond and that the audit should be completed soon. Marks contacted the farmer that works the Muskego property with contact info. Marks also contacted the DNR reference the swans. No action on swans. DNR implemented an enhanced water quality program because of chemicals found in lakes near Madison.

Sauld mentioned that one property owner sent a letter thanking WLMD for the action regarding her tax bill.

Public Comments

Property owner spoke regarding her property being in the District. She made a verbal request to detach from the District. Discussion on why that subdivision was included in the District in 1985. Bluemel will contact the UW extension as to the process for property owners that want to detach. He will copy that information to the property owner and the Board.

Another resident mentioned that he was not notified from his realtor that he was buying in the District.

Another resident mentioned what they thought the process was to detach.

Another resident asked about the access to the lake for his subdivision.

A resident asked about the swans and the position of the Board. The Board's position is to not take any action on the swans at this time. Any action taken would be by the DNR and the Board is not requesting any action.

Old Business

Harvester Production Update

Rosenquist mentioned the December 29th tour of Inland. Schopp mentioned that the trailer and other parts were substantially completed and almost ready for paint.

Discussion of possible options for disposal of harvested weeds

Rosenquist spoke to a farmer on Malchine Road that was interested in the lake weeds. Schopp had no luck with any of his contacts and said that the Town dump had limited capacity. Rosenquist will follow up.

Discussion and possible action on SSW Grant, including future treatments

Marks and Bellante mentioned that the review/approval should be completed soon, which will allow the District to apply for reimbursement of grant funds for prior treatments (2019 and 2020). Bluemel will send invoices to DNR for reimbursement and determine remaining balance available.

Discussion and possible action on funding balance of harvester payment.

There was discussion on funding options for balance of \$101261.47 for harvester. Mayer and Sauld will work up firm numbers for further discussion. Item was tabled to February meeting.

Discussion and possible action on chemical treatment permit

See item under New Business

Discussion and possible action on laminating Lake District map

Schopp provided the options for laminating a large District map. Item was tabled to June meeting.

Update/Discussion on Lake Lot

Mayer provided update on discussions with the lake lot neighbor. There was discussion for and against the splitting of the lot. Bellante was strongly against the splitting/sale of the partial lot and requested that it be noted in the minutes. Consensus was that neighbor could present an offer to the Board for consideration.

New Business

Discussion and possible action on Annual Meeting date and location

Item was tabled to April meeting.

Discussion and possible action on Vessel Safety Check for 2021

There was a brief discussion on the VSC and the application process (no cost to District). Motion made by Mayer to have VSC on June 5th and to complete the land use agreement as part of the application process, second by Marks. Motion passed 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on accountant and audit backlog

Sauld met with KCG to see if they were going to be able to complete the audits for 3 years. KCG agreed to complete by the end of the month.

Discussion on Operational Plan for Harvesting/Program Checklist

There was a brief discussion on the checklist items and projected dates. There will be further discussion at the February meeting.

Bluemel will email out last operational plan submitted by the harvester Committee.

IRS/WI Tax Filing update

Sauld spoke to KCG on assisting with filing with taxes and associated forms. Schopp will provide Sauld the treasurer contact for Waubeesee Lake.

Discussion on reviewing archived WLMD documents

Item was tabled to a future meeting

Discussion and possible action on DNR chemical treatment permit.

Cost of DNR permit for chemical treatment is \$1270. Motion made by Schopp to apply for the permit (whole lake), second by Sauld. Motion passed 6-0.

Bellante proposed having Brian Suffran complete the permit process for a cost of \$350, which includes the cost of the public notice. Follow up motion by Schopp, second by Rosenquist. Motion passed 6-0.

Discussion on SSW and Milfoil

There was brief discussion of treatment options and how much to spend for each.

Item was tabled to next meeting.

Public Comments

None

February was meeting rescheduled to Thursday Feb 25th

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm.