

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

**Norway Town Hall**

**Monday July 26, 2021  
7:00 pm**

Present: Chairman Mike Bluemel, Secretary Ron Mayer, Treasurer Jeremy Sauld, County Rep Joe Bellante, Town Rep Ralph Schopp, Jim Marks, and HPM John Landry. Bruce Rosenquist was excused. Ten citizens attended.

**Minutes**

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:03pm**

**Approve Minutes for April 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

Correction to Marks comments on Muskego Dam as it was shut down for an investigation, not damage. Motion made by Bellante to accept the minutes as amended, seconded by Marks. Motion passed 6-0

**Treasurers Report**

Sauld provided verbal and written report on expenses. There was brief discussion on current expenses. Motion made by Marks to accept as presented, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0

**Information and Correspondence**

Marks provided information on possible bird disease and possible legal changes for oversight of water quality. He also mentioned possible changes to wet land regulations.

Bluemel mentioned District emails on geese and weed harvesting questions.

Sauld mentioned the insurance audit letter and conversation with accountant.

Mayer mentioned that it would be beneficial to have a monthly lake police report. Schopp will provide monthly report during boating season.

## **Harvesting Program Report**

Landry provided update on harvesting operations and maintenance. Harvesting in the first 4 weeks produced 27 cutter loads and 12,150 cubic feet of harvested weeds. Since inception, there was a total of 81 operator hours which included training, maintenance, and harvesting.

In the past month, there were minor repairs to the trailer and the harvester. He also reported that with the low lake levels, they were not able to off-load at Sportsman's for the past two weeks, which forced more travel time to off load at the public launch.

## **Public Comments**

Citizen commented on land next to Sportsman's as a possible off load site.

Citizen had question on Treasurer Report.

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Citizen had question on geese round up.

Citizen had comment on Marks report on wet land.

Citizen had question on harvester storage and District lot.

Citizen had question on appraisal of District lot.

## **Old Business**

### **Update on Chemical Treatments**

Bellante provided update on survey of lake with Marine BioChem and recent SSW treatment. The two spots that were treated had positive results with varying degrees. He also mentioned a possible treatment by Wood Island and other areas again next week.

### **Update on SSW Grant and Harvester Grant Reimbursement**

Bluemel said that harvester check has been mailed out. The SSW grant required additional documentation but should be completed soon.

### **Discussion and Possible Action on MOU for Transfer Site Agreement**

MOU is not available. Item was tabled,

### **Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution for Lake Fees**

There was discussion on the proper means of billing lake dues. Consensus was that the simplest, fairest, and most consistent process is to bill each taxable property under the three designated categories. Motion made by Sauld to add "*And whereas the Board has recommended that all taxable properties in the District be charged according to those categories, including situations where one owner has multiple properties:*" into Resolution 1-2021, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0.

### **Discussion and Possible Action on Naming Harvester/Ceremony/Picture**

Brief discussion led to consensus that schedule for September 7<sup>th</sup> would be to show harvester at 5:30, followed by a brief ceremony and group picture at 6pm. The Annual Meeting will then start at 6:30pm.

### **Discussion and Possible Action on Annual Meeting Agenda/Resolution**

Sauld presented draft 2022 budget.

Motion made by Bellante to accept proposed budget with additional weed harvesting contingency of \$6000, seconded by Schopp. Motion passed 6-0.

### **Additional Ideas/Articles for Fall Newsletter**

Bluemel mentioned that draft of newsletter needed by first week August. Mayer will draft article on proposed change to taxable properties for newsletter and website.

### **New Business**

None presented.

### **Public Comments**

Citizen commented in favor of selling District lot.

### **Closed Session: Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (e), the Board may vote to go into closed session to receive/discuss a potential offer to purchase the western portion of District lake lot (26220 S. Wind Lake Road).**

Motion by Schopp that pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (e), the Board vote to go into closed session to receive/discuss a potential offer to purchase the western portion of District lake lot (26220 S. Wind Lake Road), seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0.

### **Open Session**

#### **Discussion and Possible Action on Offer to Purchase Portion of District Lot**

Bluemel stated that the appraisal came back at \$172,000. The name of the appraisal company will not be released until Mayer gets permission from business owner.

(The appraisal was completed by a Certified Residential Appraiser, Authentic Valuations LLC)

**Public Comments**

Citizen had a question on the appraisal and who completed it.

Seven citizens spoke in favor of the sale and the positive advantages of the sale.

Citizen spoke against splitting of lot unless it was a full value offer.

Sauld spoke on the advantage of that lot not being available for launch expansion.

**Any Other Business that May Properly Come Before this Board**

None

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:56pm