MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WIND LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Norway Town Hall

Tuesday May 24, 2022 7:00 pm

Present: Chairman Mike Bluemel, Secretary Ron Mayer, Treasurer Jeremy Sauld, Town Rep Ralph Schopp, County Rep Joe Bellante, Jim Marks, and Bruce Rosenquist. HPM John Landry was also present. No other citizens attended.

Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at 7:01pm followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Minutes for April 26th Meeting

After a brief discussion on the minutes, a motion was made by Sauld to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Rosenquist. Motion passed 6-0.

Treasurers Report

Sauld provided written and verbal reports for the previous period. Motion made by Schopp to accept the report as presented, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Comments

None

Information and Correspondence

Marks provided information on the lake levels of Wind Lake and Big Muskego. He also provided information on Avian bird flu and Faucet snails.

Old Business

Update on Sale of Western Portion of District Lot

Mayer stated that there was nothing new to report.

Update on Extension for Aquatic Plant Mgmt Plan

Bluemel will follow up with the DNR regarding the extension.

Update on Buoy Locations

Marks stated that he spoke to the lake police officer and he stated that they used the GPS to locate the buoys but the buoys still don't look correct. Marks will try to get GPS coordinates of current locations and compare them to where they should be located. Any citizen concerns regarding buoy locations should be directed to the Town Police Department.

Update on NSD Lift Station #5 Project

Mayer provided update on NSD meeting and follow up onsite meeting. Mayer had also contacted WDNR in an attempt to open a discussion between NSD and WDNR on possibly locating the lift station on the public launch property. The WDNR declined to have a meeting with the NSD. Discussion followed and consensus was that Schopp will contact State representatives to assist with the public launch site. Bluemel will contact an attorney for feasibility and potential costs of a legal review of proposed lift station on the District land.

Discussion and Possible Action on Goose Round Up

Mayer reported that the costs for round up from the USDA increased to \$3500 without food pantry testing and that if there is Avian Bird Flu within 6 miles, the USDA may decline to collect geese. There was discussion on round up requirements including permission slips, boats to corral the geese and personnel to assist. Motion made by Sauld to contract with USDA, second by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0. Mayer will reply to USDA email and Bluemel will complete application form.

New Business

Discussion and Possible Action on Two New Operators

HPM Landry interviewed three candidates for two positions and recommended Steve Kerns and Pat Fitzgerald. He provided a brief background on each and recommended a starting wage of \$16. Motion made by Schopp to request On-Site to hire both for the 2022 season, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0. Sauld will contact On-Site to have them added.

Discussion and Possible Action on Annual Meeting Date/Location

After a brief discussion on where and when to hold the Annual Meeting, consensus was to check if Town Hall was available on. September 8th at 7pm, with September 13th as a backup date. Schopp will check on availability.

Discussion and Possible Action on Lakes Conference Reimbursement

Sauld reported that Marks expenses exceeded the approved \$600. After a brief discussion, Rosenquist made a motion to reimburse \$700.19 to Marks, seconded by Bellante. Motion approved 6-0.

Discussion and Possible Action on Migalski Waiver Fee Request

After review of the map and a brief discussion, consensus was to maintain the current practice of charging fees to all taxed properties. Bluemel will respond to property owner to deny the request but offer to waive the fee for one year if the lots are combined which is also current practice.

Update on meeting of Racine County Lake Districts / Associations

Mayer attended an informal meeting of representatives from Tichigan (WWMD), Eagle Lake, and Waubeesee/Long Lakes. He provided background on what was discussed, what other lake districts doing and the possibility/benefits of this group meeting again.

Any Other Business that May Properly Come Before this Board

Rosenquist reminded everyone of the VSC on June 11. Rosenquist, Marks, and Landry will be there representing the WLMD.

Bellante and Brian Suffran did a lake assessment and found significant amounts of algae. Discussion on why it occurred early and if the Alum treatment might be weakening. The first chemical treatment will be in early June. There was also a discussion on tracking the Phosphorus levels.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm