

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT

May 10th Minutes

1. Call meeting to order, verify compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

Meeting called to order by Jim Mercier at 6pm.

2. Roll Call:

Glenn Choroszy, Jim Mercier, Ken Keegstra, Ray Demaskie, Nathan Johnson

Late: Tom Happ Absent: Tom Walters

Others: Al Baade, Chuck Ecklund, Nick Ladas, Anna Demaskie, Geeg Drum, Paul Burke

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Johnson, second by Choroszy. Motion carried.

4. Approval of minutes for April 12, 2016 regular meeting

Motion to approve April minutes by Johnson, second by Demaskie. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

There has been no response in regards to clean boat/clean waters. Discussed ideas on options for finding candidates for this important position.

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

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| Tom Walters/Chuck Ecklund-WAL Conference/gas/lodging | \$1,038.30 |
| Lichte Insurance/worker's comp | \$ 387.00 |
| Lichte Insurance/Auto/Commercial general liability | \$1,124.00 |
| Cason & Associates/DMA 4IVM Treatment | \$4,780.40 |
| LEAPS/AMP Summary report/EWM management planning | \$ 441.60 |
| Town of LaValle/two buoys plus shipment | \$ 350.00 |
| LEAPS | \$ 384.00 |
| Total | \$8,505.30 |

Motion to approve current invoices by Keegstra, second by Demaskie. Discussion held. Motion carried.

b. Review monthly financial reports

No report because the LRPD computer had crashed

7. Chairman's Report

a. Audit planning

Audit needs to be completed by July 1st. Choroszy will gather the necessary information needed to complete the audit.

b. Planning for the annual meeting

Mercier will bring the letter, budget and agenda to the next meeting. Also stated Pam from Dutch Hollow was asking for input on how to complete an AIS grant for approval. Rock has been filled into the pool below the Lake Redstone spillway; the pool is now chained off and signs prohibiting diving. The county will be opening the valve to lower the water level in the lake so that an engineering inspection can be done on the spillway. Should be completed before the end of June.

8. Secretaries Report

a. Decision on purchase of GPS for AIS Education grant

Keegstra made a motion to pay \$250 dollars for a Garmin GPSMAP 78sc from Amazon, with the option of adding additional maps for a total not to exceed \$500, second by Johnson. Discussion held. Motion carried.

b. LRPD laptop repair or replacement

Computer system crashed when installing new antivirus software from Microtrend. A new computer is needed. Computer Connections in Reedsburg has recovered data from the hard drive up to

December 14, 2015 and can be put back onto a new computer for a cost of \$600. Other option would be use current data sticks to add data back to the new computer. Keegstra made a motion to purchase a new computer at \$599 and pay for additional data recovery data as needed, second by Johnson. Discussion held. Motion carried.

9. Committee Reports

a. Water Quality Committee: Walters

The committee report was presented by Geeg Drum. The committee assigned various tasks to individuals and teams. Paul Burke will look into Sauk County records, Chuck Ecklund into Juneau County records, Tom Walters into DNR records, and Don McCune/Geeg Drum will sort and organize town hall records. They will then compile all the data and resources for the grant. Both Sauk and Juneau counties asked for more time to complete a report. Volunteers are asked to log their time and keep track of travel miles and time to meet required match for DNR grant. Walters will organize sampling in May.

b. Dredging Committee: Chorozy/Mercier

1. Discuss draft report from Ayres Associates-next steps

A draft report was received and was forwarded to Jeff Shure and Susan Graham for their input. A few things to consider are translating the report into a dredging plan, what is the goal for removing the sediment and how to move forward with further planning including addressing the concerns of property owners.

c. Aquatic Plants Committee: Keegstra

1. Report on spring herbicide treatments

Spring herbicide treatments have been performed in the three bays approved by the DNR; Oriole bay, the south arm of Chickadee bay, and most of Cardinal bay. Water samples at various times after treatment have been sent to the State Lab of Hygiene for analysis of herbicide levels.

The request to allow the LRPD to perform summer spot treatments has been denied. This is a new state-wide policy of the WDNR.

2. Manual harvesting program

Because summer spot treatments will not be an option in 2016, one alternative is to put more emphasis on manual harvesting programs. This could include a plan to use the funds that would have been used on summer spot treatments to pay for some of the cost for manual harvesting. In the summer of 2015, about \$3,500 was spent on summer spot treatments, this level of expenditure was suggested. One proposal is to provide reimbursement to property owners who hire vendors to remove Eurasian Water Milfoil. The Lake Redstone Protection District would then agree to reimburse the property owner up to a certain percentage of the total cost. The board considered several options for how the reimbursement program might work. Keegstra will present a specific proposal at the June meeting.

3. Contract with Aquatic Plant and Habitat Services (Sara Hatleli) for 2016 point intercept surveys

Motion by Keegstra to approve the aquatic plant and habitat services contract for \$5,275, second by Happ. Discussion held. Motion carried. Most of these expenses should be reimbursed through the AIS education grant.

d. Newsletter update: Happ

Newsletter is being printed, but board will hold off on sending them out until the website is up and running.

e. Web site update: Happ

Old website should have been kept active until the new website received all the data. Until old website is reactivated new website cannot be completed.

10. La Valle Township Coordinator: Demaskie

Town approved the seal coating of various roads. Buoys will all be placed by May 11th, weather permitting.

11. County Coordinator: Johnson

County board is still reorganizing after the election. Mentioned the June 11th ski show.

12. Agenda items for next meeting:

Annual meeting, manual harvesting plan, audit and dredging

13. Date and time of next meetings: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 @ 6 pm, La Valle Town Hall

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn meeting by Happ, second by Choroszy. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:50 pm.