

Dredging Committee Meeting

February 9, 2018

Attendees: Tom Walters, Glenn Choroszy, Richard Fish, Jim Mercier, Paul Burke, and Cary Dudczak by phone.

Tom called the meeting to order. Roll call, approval of the Agenda, and previous meeting notes followed.

- Tom brought us up to date on the February 5th meeting at the Gates property. Joe and his son agreed to the Ayres proposal. Joe requested that all sediment bags be removed after drainage and Janelle agreed. Once Janelle makes the drain site corrections, Joe will be ready to sign the agreement to use his property for dredging sediment spoils.
- Glenn has verbal approval from two additional property owners where drain pipes will cross during dredging. Tom and Glenn will contact the remaining two property owners, and then meet with an attorney to draw up land use agreements.
- Dick suggested that Johnnie Wagner be contacted to obtain approval to place Geo Tubes on his farmland North of East Redstone to pump sediment and water from Bay #25 (bay North of Sac Court – by John Matol's) and Bay #26 (between Fox Court & Sac Court – by Tom Walter's & Dick Fish's). This would alleviate the need to construct over one mile of pipping to connect to the closest piping north of those bays were dredging is planned (Bay 23).
- Tom to follow-up with Janelle on the spoils site final design, due by the 24th, in order to have by the March Board Meeting. This timing is running behind our time line and we are concerned about delay in the DNR application process.
- Paul reported that the WCCC has suggested we seek financing through the Board of Land Commissioners (which requires DNR permit approval). However, the Royal Bank in LaValle and the Community First Bank in Reedsburg are still interested in supplying the loan.
- Paul was able to confirm that the LRPD has tax exempt status which should provide better interest rates. Interest on \$4 Million would run an estimated \$800,000 over a 10-year period. The Community First Bank has verbally indicated that there would be no penalty for an early loan pay-off.
- We discussed Cary's proposed Tri-fold mailer. He agreed to incorporate many Dick's suggested changes. The corrected copy will be ready for board approval next week.

- It was discussed that the June Informational Meeting may need to be held at the LaValle Fire Department to allow more public attendance. This meeting will be discussed more in March.
- Dick's proposed FAQ's are a good start. They will require answers, and methods to present them to the public. It was suggested that two or three questions at a time be released on Facebook, the LRPD website and possibly the Property Owners Newsletter, starting with "why is dredging being done?".
- We are still looking for additional methods to communicate dredging updates.

We ended the meeting at 4:14 pm with a date set for the next meeting as March 9th at 3pm.