

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 6 pm

Location: Town of La Valle Hall, 324 Hwy 33, La Valle, WI 53941

MINUTES

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

Meeting called to order by chair, Mike Mittelstadt, at six pm.

2. Roll Call: Brad Horner, Mike Mittelstadt, Ken Keegstra, Dave Crockett, Pat Sullivan, Ray Demaskie, Peter Kinsman Others: Anna Demaskie Phone: Al Baade Paul Burke

3. Approval of Agenda Motion to approve the agenda by Demaskie, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

4. Approval of minutes for November 14th board meeting and November 28th special meeting

Motion to approve November 14th minutes by Crockett, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

Motion to approve November 28th minutes by Sullivan, second by Horner. Motion carried.

5. Public Input None

6. Treasurer’s Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

Operating Fund Disbursements

Al Baade	Quicken processing	Treasurer compensation	75.00
Mike Mittelstadt	Postage	Martin Meadowlark	27.80
Sara Hatleli	Plant surveys	APMP grant costs	2562.50
Juneau County	Sauk County share	USGS stream monitoring	10,000.00
Juneau County	LRPD share	USGS stream monitoring	9,000.00
Jewell Associates	Bid and permit prep	Martin Meadowlark	<u>625.00</u>
	TOTAL		\$22,290.30

Motion to approve invoices by Keegstra, second by Horner. Motion carried.

b. Review monthly financial reports

Crockett reported that he received a letter from IRS for penalties and interest for missing FICA deposits. Dave contacted MBE and they said they are going to take care of the penalties and interest.

c. Review and approve 4th quarter payroll requests

Motion to approve 4th quarter payroll by Sullivan, second by Keegstra. Motion carried.

d. Discussion of revised Quicken organizations

Crockett distributed a revised report format that grouped items by category. Following some discussion, he indicated he wants to make the reports useful for board members.

7. Chairman’s Report

a. Review of special board meeting-any actions items? None

b. Refine list of help requests to send to Sauk County

Mittelstadt distributed a list of activities that were ranked by the board members. After some discussion about the ranking, it was decided that Mittelstadt would forward the list to Melissa Schlupp at Sauk County to initiate a discussion about what the new person can do to help the district.

c. Meadowlark bid discussion

The release of the bid documents was delayed by several issues, including the landowner agreement that needed to be updated and recorded with the county, and locating the trustees for the land. The bid documents have been created by Jewell were posted on December 11th. The completed bids are due January 5th 2024. The plan is to decide on the winning bidder at the January 9th board meeting. Mittelstadt intends to prepare a letter to notify all landowners in the area about the plans for the project.

d. Schedule for board meetings in early 2024

The issue was raised whether it was necessary to meet every month during the winter. A tentative decision was to skip the February meeting unless something comes up that needs board action.

8. Secretary's Report

a. Review proposed Cason contract-take action as needed

There was a brief discussion about the new contract for herbicide application that Cason sent for board consideration. Mittelstadt made a motion to postpone the decision until later, second by Horner. Motion carried.

9. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

Lipke Trucking and Excavating was awarded the contract for making Cobbledick road repairs. Culvert's will be replaced in winter.

10. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

Grant projects for 2024 need to be submitted by March 31st.

11. Committee Reports

a. Lake Management Plan Integration Committee

Nothing to report

b. Water Quality Projects Committee

i. Discussion of possible EWM control in 2024

During her summer surveys, Sara Hatleli took milfoil samples that were sent for analysis of Eurasian Watermilfoil weevil activity. The presence of weevils was found in 3 bays on Lake Redstone. The significance of this finding needs to be explored with her.

Three bays meet the criteria for milfoil control. Cardinal qualifies but has weevils, so herbicide application is not recommended. Oriole Bay is another possibility, that has sufficient milfoil abundance, but it does not pose a navigation hazard. Chippewa is a small bay that meets all criteria. Keegstra will discuss options with Sara Hatleli and report back at the next meeting.

c. Sediment Control Committee

Fox Court is a possible grant opportunity.

d. Education & Outreach Committee

i. 2024 newsletter planning

The E&O committee will meet in January to finalize the list of topics for the 2024 newsletter and to determine authors for each article. The goal is to have the 2024 newsletter return to its earlier length of 8 pages and to have it distributed in May.

12. Agenda items for January 9th regular meeting

Meadowlark bid, Sauk County grants, decision on herbicide contract, EWM control decisions

13. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned when all business was complete at 7:55pm.

AD/January 7, 2024

KK/January 8, 2024