

**LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, March 10, 2020 6:00 pm**

**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:**

Pat Sullivan, Paul Burke, Mike Mittelstadt, Ray Demaskie, John Dietz Phone: Ken Keegstra, Glenn Choroszy, Cary Dudczak, Al Baade Others: Richard Fish, Chuck Ecklund, Anna Demaskie

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda by Demaskie, second by Burke. Motion carried.

**4. Approval of minutes for the February 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting**

Motion to approve February 11<sup>th</sup> minutes by Burke, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

**5. Public Input**

**6. Treasurer's Financial Report**

**a. Approve vouchers**

LEAPS/19/20Ph3-11	\$ 761.60
LEAPS/19/20P1-211	\$ 382.50
LEAPS/18/20Ph2-25	\$ 62.73
JEWELL/SERVICES 1-1-2020 to 1-31-2020	\$ 580.00
JEWELL/SERVICES 1-1-2020 to 1-31-2020	\$ 145.00
LAROWE GERLACH TAGGART LLP/ DREDGING ASST.	\$3,022.25
TOWN OF LAVALLE/ BUOY COST SHARE	\$ 393.00
PAROLL SOLUTIONS/ PROCESS W2/W3/940 WT- 7 for the year	\$ 92.60
Mike Mittelstadt/ yearly website fee	<u>\$ 155.00</u>
Total	\$5,594.68

Motion to approve current invoices by Keegstra, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY FIRST BANK DREDGING SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$254,141.22
Sauk County contributions for dredging project/deposit 3/9/2020	\$200,000.00
New total in account	\$454,141.22
First loan payment made 3/9/2020	\$214,225.00
Final Balance as of 3/9/2020	\$239,916.22

**b. Review monthly financial reports**

**c. Approval of loan payment and discussion of additional funds**

**7. Chairman's Report**

**a. Update on FEMA applications to repair flood damage**

Mittelstadt submitted the paperwork from the Ayers estimate of 713 yards of sediment from Meronek Meadows berm failure, which has been dredged from the lake. FEMA's own specialist will work on a cost estimate to restore the berm. If the 713 cubic yards is included in the Meronek Meadows mitigation, then it will need to be removed from our dredging claim. Once the cost estimate is complete, the Environmental Preservation Group will have to pass it through to mitigation and then for final approval or disapproval by FEMA.

**b. Update on plans to rebid the project to repair damage of Meronek Meadows berm**

The board will get input from Jewell about building a temporary berm with rocks or a silt fence.

**c. Update on plans to repair damage to and around Martin weir #1**

The engineering cost for planning is \$10,000. The damage to the repair does not qualify for the grant money from the county as it has to be part of the 9-key Element Lake Management Plan to qualify. Ken suggested using a portion of our budget for Lake Watershed Improvements and/or Lake Maintenance.

**d. Update on attendance at the Lakes Conference on April 1 to 3, 2020**

Paul Burke, Pat Sullivan and Mike Mittelstadt are registered, and rooms reserved.

**e. Update on attorney to review the revised by-laws**

Mittelstadt signed the \$5,000 agreement which needs to be signed by the treasurer. The review deadline should be April 18<sup>th</sup> for mailing. Baade reports that the lawyer is aware of the due dates.

**8. Secretary's Report**

**a. Update on the 2020 Newsletter**

Keegstra thanked the authors of all of the articles. They have been sent to Kristen and two drafts have been completed with editing. They look "great". The final draft will be sent to the board for review and photo credits need to be completed. Some articles have been shortened to fit. Ken suggested that the Annual Meeting will take place Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. This date is consistent with past meetings per Al Baade.

**b. Update on issues from partners meeting**

Sullivan reported that Dave Blumer met with Andrew Craig to begin formulating the management plan that is consistent with the 9-key element strategy. A tentative meeting is set for March 31<sup>st</sup> with county partners to discuss 2020 water sampling and to continue development of our Lake Management Plan. We need to discuss how the Board can apply for possible Sauk County funding, which must be applied for by June 28<sup>th</sup>. Others who may attend meeting with Blumer include Burke, Sullivan and Mittelstadt along with Don McCune and Tom Walters.

**c. Financial support for the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the producer-led cooperative**

Last year's luncheon cost \$333. So far, the estimate is that twenty people will attend at \$19 a plate. Keegstra made a motion to pay \$380 to support the luncheon, second by Choroszy. Motion carried.

**d. Sauk County Grant**

The Sauk County grant criteria states money will be rewarded to those implementing a nine-key element plan. It was discussed in item b. Four lake districts could be eligible in the county for the \$50,000 set aside.

**e. Strategic plan discussion**

Keegstra noted that many of the topics covered by the strategic plan will also be covered by the Whole Lake Management Plan once it is completed. Given this overlap, it seems premature to update the strategic plan at this point. He suggested that updating the strategic plan should be postponed until after the Whole Lake Management Plan is available.

**f. Follow-up Plan for Blumer/DNR meeting on Feb 26.**

Discussed above in item b. A tentative meeting will be held March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**9. Dredging Committee Issues**

**a. Update on disagreement with Kaiyuh Services**

The disagreement about volume has been resolved within 3 cubic yards. Kaiyuh claims that field orders caused more work. A second lawyer letter was sent to Kaiyuh regarding other contract issues that have not been resolved. Matt Stieve visited the County Boat Landing and reported to Lisa Wilson, his supervisor. She also wrote to Kaiyuh requesting their plans to clean up the boat landing. Demaskie has no problems at this time, and is awaiting Kaiyuh to finish in the spring. He estimates \$6000 for road damage.

**b. Update on payment requests from Kaiyuh Services.**

No updates or further pay requests have been received.

**c. Update on sediment control activities in areas around the lake**

Mittelstadt confirmed that Choroszy will chair the new Sediment Committee with Dick Fish as vice-chair. The Board discussed immediate need to halt sediment flowing into the lake through

the breached berm. A temporary fix of a silt fence or rock wall may help. Burke to request recommendations from Jewell

#### **10. Committee Reports**

##### **a. Water Quality Committee: Keegstra**

Sullivan reported that Dawn McCluskey has agreed to survey for the Clean Boats, Clean Waters program this year. Nicole may help again too. There will be a training session that Sullivan is organizing.

##### **b. Social Media: Mittelstadt**

Mittelstadt is continuing to do updates on the various platforms.

#### **11. La Valle Town Coordinator: Demaskie**

Seven culverts will be replaced under town roads this year. The culverts were installed over 50 years ago and no longer function properly. The property next to the Fox Court Boat Launch is up for sale. The town is inquiring about purchase for use as additional parking.

#### **12. Sauk County Coordinator: Dietz**

Will review the status of Lisa Wilson's letter to Kaiyuh.

#### **13. Agenda items for April 14<sup>th</sup> meeting**

Temporary berm for Meronek Meadows, replace hard drive for Treasurer's computer, WAL Conference update, Martin-Meadowlark berm update. Take Strategic Plan off the Agenda for now.

#### **14. Adjourn**

Meeting called to close when business was complete by Mittelstadt at 8:05pm.

**AD/March 15, 2020**

**PB/March 26, 2020**