

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 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:

Paul Burke, Pat Sullivan, Glenn Choroszy, Mike Mittelstadt, Ken Keegstra Late: Ray Demaskie,
John Dietz Others: Akram Abed (Kaiyuh Services), Al Dunn (Water Works), Richard Fish, Scott
Whitsett (Jewell), Anna Demaskie, Al Baade (on the phone)

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Burke, seconded by Choroszy. Motion approved.

4. Approval of minutes for the November 5th regular meeting, November 22nd special meeting, and December 6th special meeting.

Motion to approve November 5th minutes by Sullivan, second by Burke. Motion carried. Motion to approve November 22nd minutes by Burke, second by Sullivan. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of the December 6th special meeting by Choroszy, second by Burke. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

During the public input section of the meeting, there was an extended discussion about the dredging project with the representatives from Kaiyuh Services and Water Works. They thanked us for the project and said that from their perspective that it had been a good project with good results. They said that they considered the project to be complete and that they were demobilizing their equipment. The board asked questions about several issues that they considered incomplete. One had to do with clean up of the three unloading sites. They responded that the final seeding and planting at the Mourning Dove site would not be finished until spring. They are working on the county boat landing and they have an MOU with Sauk County on what needs to be done there. They have a verbal agreement of the land owner for the unloading site near County F. There were also questions about what needed to be done at the disposal sites. They said the sediment would soon be removed from the original two disposal sites so that grading and seeding would not be needed.

Another topic of concern was the tip of bay 20. Kaiyuh said that it was done to specification, but Dick Fish said that he had visited the bay on December 9th and took a number of depth measurements and reported that they had not met specifications. He presented Kaiyuh with a map of the depth at various locations near the tip of the bay. Kaiyuh claimed they could not dredge this area from the water because of the depth of the ice. It was suggested that they could dredge the tip of the bay from shore. Pat Sullivan, who lives on this bay, agreed to contact the property owners near the tip of the bay and inquire whether they would agree to this plan. We expect to hear a report at the January board meeting.

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

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| Krueger Printing/ copies for partners meeting | \$ 64.30 |
| WSLH/ water samples | \$ 451.00 |
| WSLH/ water samples | \$ 232.00 |
| WSLH/ water samples | \$ 1,277.00 |
| MBE/prepare quarterly reports | \$ 137.45 |
| Nicole Miller/ CBCW | \$ 30.00 |
| Don McCune/ postage water samples | \$ 29.00 |
| Tom Walters/ postage water samples | \$ 25.05 |
| LEAPS/postage | \$ 26.29 |

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| LEAPS/19/20Ph3-7 | \$ 761.60 |
| LEAPS/19/20P1-2-7 | \$ 382.50 |
| LEAPS/18/20Ph2-21 | \$ 62.73 |
| Total | \$3,478.92 |

Motion to approve current invoices of \$3,478.92 by Burke, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.
 Motion to approve Ayres Associates/dredging services through October 12, 2019 invoice in the amount of \$7,528.19 by Keegstra, second by Sullivan. Motion carried. This bill will be paid from the dredging loan.

b. Review monthly financial reports

7. Chairman’s Report

a. Update on FEMA applications to repair flood damage

The applications have moved to the Chicago region with Roger Ammons and Helen Badesch as the new contacts. Paul Burke, Mike Mittelstadt, and Ken Keegstra joined a FEMA webinar on the transition from applicant to recipient and eventually closing out the projects. Hopefully the fact that they are offering this webinar to us means that we are near to the transition and that our projects will be approved for reimbursement in the near future.

b. Plans to rebid the project to repair damage of Meronek Meadows

Scott Whitsett with JEWELL recommends either going with the original design before the flood or with mitigation go with original bidding design from the spring. March would be the optimal date to rebid the project so that work would be done in drier months. Although the board has authority to take out a loan for this project, we cannot move forward until we have approval from FEMA for reimbursement because we have no other way to repay the loan. Whitsett will set up a meeting with FEMA and Burke to discuss the status of the project and when we might expect authorization to proceed.

c. Damage to Martin-Meadowlark weir #1- plans for repair

In October Richard Fish made a trip to inspect the weirs above Martin-Meadowlark and independently in November, Tom Walters, Paul Burke, Pat Sullivan and Ken Keegstra made a trip to inspect the weirs. Both groups reported that the first weir (closest to the lake) was severely damaged, presumably by the flood of 2018. They took photos to record the damage. Scott Whitsett suggested that the damage may have been facilitated by earlier damage to the weir, for example by tree roots or animal burrows. He suggested they should be inspected periodically for such damage. Mittelstadt asked Whitsett to create a proposal for redesign of the weir including cost of repair and maintenance.

d. Update on the status of Sauk County request

The request was approved and the County will provide \$200,000 to cover a portion of the cost of dredging the area around the county boat landing. There was uncertainty about whether an additional \$50,000 was approved and allocated to the Department of Land Resources and Environment to explore sediment control measures at the lakes in Sauk County that have protection districts. John Dietz will explore this issue and report back on the status of these funds.

8. Secretary’s Report

a. Planning for the 2020 Newsletter

Keegstra proposed several topics for the spring 2020 Newsletter. A significant portion should be devoted to a final report on the dredging project. It was suggested to have 2 different articles; one about the project itself, possibly written by Mittelstadt and Fish and a second one about the cost of the project, providing information about outside sources of funding and the impact on the tax levy. Glenn Choroszy offered to write this article, possibly with some help from Burke. Paul Burke agreed to write an article on the damage and proposed repairs to Meronek

Meadows. Other topics include an article about the lake management plan (Keegstra and Blumer will prepare this) and an article about the producer-led cooperative (Keegstra will see if Dustin Ladd and Sarah Fleck will prepare this article). Keegstra and Sullivan will prepare an article on the stream sampling systems. Sullivan will write an article about erosion control. Photos should be included in all articles whenever possible. Drafts should be prepared sometime in February so that editing and printing can take place in March and April.

b. Review and approve the updated annual planning calendar

The revised planning calendar was approved and will be followed in 2020.

c. Issues from partners meeting that require follow up

One topic that needed follow up was local technical assistance with Healthy Lakes projects. Patrick Goggin reported that the 2-day training sessions that the DNR held in the past will not be held in the future. Rather, during the summer/fall of 2020 they intend to produce and release video training sessions that can be taken over the web. Meanwhile Melissa Keenan from Sauk County LRE was trained in the earlier sessions. Keegstra will contact her to see if she will help in the interim.

The second topic for follow up is developing the whole lake management plan and what should be included. Keegstra will try to arrange a special board meeting with Dave Blumer, where this topic could be discussed. A meeting will be held between Dave Blumer and Andrew Craig, who offered to help with the development of the 9-key element plan. Both Keegstra and Sullivan expressed an interest in participating in the meeting.

d. Report from producer-led coop meeting

A meeting of the group was held December 3rd with 7 producers in attendance. Keegstra represented the LRPD. The group applied for their second year of funding of \$20,000. Because they did not spend all of the first year of funding and can carry it forward, they will have adequate funding for year 2. Major activities will include cover crops and manure management. In 2020 the cooperative would like to increase the number of producers who are active the coop with a goal of having 20 by the end of the year. The next meeting will be January 14th, 2020. Keegstra made a motion for the LRPD to offer to provide pizza at this meeting, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

9. Dredging Committee Issues

a. Update on dredging schedule and timeline

Kaiyah Is in the process of removing their equipment and should be done by Friday. In June 2020 they will come back to deal with seed and planting the unloading site near Mourning Dove bay. Kaiyah was still waiting to hear from Ayres that bays 11-17 have met specifications.

b. Approval of payment request from Kaiyuh Services

Sullivan moved to approve the payment of \$623,733.00 to Kaiyuh Services for dredging performed from November 1 to November 30, 2019, second by Keegstra. Motion carried.

c. Possible special board meeting to consider additional payment requests from Kaiyuh

It was decided that none would be needed and the next payment could be considered at the January board meeting.

10. Committee Reports

a. Water Quality Committee: Keegstra

Sara Hatleli has not yet completed the point intercept survey report and asked if it will be OK to delay it until the end of January. The board agreed with allowing her this delay because we will not be requesting a permit to do herbicide treatments in 2020. The application for a 2020 CBCW grant has been submitted.

b. Social Media: Mittelstadt

Normal updates.

11. La Valle Town Coordinator: Demaskie

a. Update on Timmons road project

The project is complete for now and can be taken off from future agendas.

12. Sauk County Coordinator: Dietz

Dietz will put in a request to receive Sauk county funding towards the beginning of 2020.

13. Continue review of proposed changes to LRPD By-laws

14. Agenda items for January 14th meeting

Finish by-laws, pay app from Kaiyah, update on dredging project. Review of strategic plan will be postponed until February.

15. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

AD/December 23, 2019

KK/December 27, 2019