

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 12, 2022, 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. He confirmed the meeting was in compliance with open meeting laws.

2. Roll Call:

Brad Horner, Ken Keegstra, Mike Mittelstadt, Paul Burke, Pat Sullivan, Ray Demaskie
Phone: Cary Dudczak, Al Baade Others: Anna Demaskie

3. Approval of Agenda

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

4. Approval of minutes for March 8th meeting

Motion to approve March 8 minutes by Horner, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

Town of LaValle	buoy replacement	\$ 885.92
Mike Mittelstadt	survey monkey	\$ 384.00
Jewell	dam permit meadowlark weir	\$3,030.00
News Publishing Company	CBCW ad for inspectors	<u>\$ 195.00</u>
Total		\$4,494.92

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

b. Review monthly financial reports

c. Review and approve first quarter pay requests

Burke distributed pay request paperwork for review ahead of the meeting. Motion to approve pay requests by Keegstra, second by Horner. Motion carried.

7. Chairman's Report

a. Update on WEM payments for Meronek Meadows project

A check from WEM for the state share of the FEMA payment was received. The payment of \$11,663.69 was applied to the Meronek Meadows loan.

b. Report from attendees at Wisconsin Lakes Convention in Stevens Point

Mittelstadt reported that he spoke with several folks at the conference but was not able to identify consultants who will help with watershed work or will prepare grants for watershed work. He pointed out that Appendix I proposes that the counties should hire someone to help with plan implementation. He learned of other districts that have received assistance from local government units. He proposed we should begin dialogue with counties to see if we can identify arrangement for getting such help. DNR surface water grants and land acquisition grants are available to help with projects. We need to get help to identify the appropriate grants and get help writing and submitting them. Finally, he mentioned that some lake districts have created welcome packets for new property owners. We may want to consider doing this, possibly in collaboration with the LRPOA.

Keegstra attended a workshop on shoreline management that included both zoning topics and discussions of best management practices. At the workshop, he learned that the Healthy Lakes website has a shoreline evaluation tool that property owners can use. It was suggested that information about this tool should be added to the spring 2022 LRPD newsletter; he will do this.

Sullivan attended a treasurer workshop that he found useful. He reported that different districts operate quite differently. Horner had to miss the first day of the meeting because of illness. He reported that he found the meeting impressive with many good speakers. He mentioned the keynote speaker, Chad Pregracke, who gave a remarkable talk summarizing efforts to clean up trash along rivers, especially the Mississippi River.

8. Secretary's Report

a. Update on spring 2022 Newsletter

Keegstra reported that all articles have all been submitted and have been forwarded to Kristen Groth for assembly into a formatted newsletter. The first draft was eleven pages in length. The options are to cut considerable content to get to our normal length of 8 pages or add a bit of content to get to 12 pages. Krueger Printing can create a twelve-page newsletter, but this will add about 50% to the production cost. But we will still be within budget. Because of the importance of describing the activities associated with the lake management plan, it was decided to do a longer newsletter this year. Additional content will describe the DASH activities that will occur this summer. The article about volunteer opportunities will be expanded to describe in more detail some areas where help is needed.

b. Should the board review and update the strategic plan?

Keegstra briefly reviewed the history of the district preparing and updating a strategic plan. But given the recent approval of the lake management plan, it was decided that implementation of that plan would provide the strategic plan for the coming few years. Thus, it was agreed that it was not desirable to update the strategic plan at this point in time and instead to focus on implementation of the lake management plan.

c. Should the board consider grant applications for fall 2022 deadline?

Mittelstadt attended a Surface Grants workshop at the lakes conference and reported on options that are available from the WDNR. Following a brief discussion it was concluded that we should try to find funding for completing the repairs on the weir above Martin-Meadowlark as our highest priority for 2022. The board also needs to decide what projects to pursue with funding from the Sauk County grants program.

9. Committee Reports

a. Discussion on Lake Management plan

i. Update on plan implementation-Horner

Mittelstadt and Horner have prepared documents that will be used to focus the discussion at the special meeting on Thursday. This includes modifying Appendix I to identify which committees, either standing or new ad hoc committees, should be responsible for pursuing each item listed in the appendix.

b. Water Quality Committee-Keegstra

i. Review and approve Professional Services Agreement from Sara Hatleli

Our new grant to update the aquatic management plan will require that we have a professional services agreement with Sara Hatleli. She has prepared a draft agreement for us to consider. It spells out the activities that she will perform for the district. Briefly this includes: 1. A point intercept survey of the whole lake; 2. A one-hour educational workshop on August 13th; 3. Public planning meetings in the fall of 2022; 4. Updating aquatic plant management; 5. Point intercept surveys in 5 bays in 2022 and 5 bays in 2023. Keegstra made a motion to approve the agreement, second by Burke. Motion carried.

ii. Clean Boats/Clean Water update-Sullivan

Two new inspectors have been identified and will start at the end of May. Sullivan will investigate getting a second box for storing paperwork, so that each boat landing where CBCW inspectors are working has one. Keegstra made a motion that Sullivan be allowed to order up to \$40 worth of shirts for the new inspectors, second by Burke. Motion carried.

c. Sediment Control Committee-Sullivan

i. Update on committee activities-Sullivan

The next committee meeting will be held on Friday, April 22 at 10am. Priorities will be determined at the committee meeting.

ii. Progress on issues related to spring runoff events

Samples of the runoff were collected and sent to the lab at UW-Stevens Point for analysis. Results of the analyses have been obtained. The committee needs help from experts on what the results mean and how to prevent future runoff events.

iii. Martin-Meadowlark weir update-Mittelstadt

This issue was dealt with earlier in the meeting (see item 8.c)

d. Social Media: Mittelstadt

Nothing new to report.

10. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

LaValle and other surrounding towns have entered a new agreement with Reedsburg Ambulance Services. A grant award has been given for Stout Rd bridge at an 80/20 split with the town paying \$42,000. Other LaValle bridges may be updated in the future. The new boating ordinance will be reviewed at a public hearing that will be held soon. Those interested in this ordinance (for or against) should plan to attend the hearing.

11. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

No report

12. Agenda items for May 10th regular meeting

Annual meeting preparation, next year's budget, and sediment control committee report

13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned when all business was complete at 8:15pm.

AD/April 24, 2022

KK/May 11, 2022