

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 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 that the meeting complied with open meeting laws.

2. Roll Call:

Mike Mittelstadt, Brad Horner, Ken Keegstra, Ray Demaskie Zoom: Pat Sullivan, Dave
Crockett Others: Cary Dudzcak, Chuck Ecklund, Al Baade, Anna Demaskie

3. Approval of Agenda

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

4. Approval of minutes for May 16th regular board meeting and June 4th special meeting

Motion to approve May 16th minutes by Horner, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 4th minutes by Horner, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

None

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

Lichte Insurance	insurance	\$1606.00
Mike Mittelstadt	postage	\$ 26.19
Mike Mittelstadt	zoom subscription	\$ 84.34
Tom Walters	flash drive	\$ 15.70
WI Lakes	WI lake annual dues	\$ 750.00
Lexi Verstein	clean boats clean waters	\$ 277.50
Caden Muntinga	clean boats clean waters	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
Total		\$2909.73

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

b. Review monthly financial reports

No questions on the reports submitted by Crockett

c. Update and finalize proposed 2025 budget

Following a discussion of the various categories in the budget, changes were proposed to some. Mittelstadt will distribute the revised version to board members. The budget proposal must be finalized at the July meeting, so that it can be mailed to district electors before the Annual Meeting.

7. Chairman's Report

a. Update on Martin Meadowlark weir repair project

WDNR approval of the required permit is in progress and should be completed soon. The repair project should occur in August.

8. Secretary's Report

a. Finalize agenda for Annual Meeting

The agenda will follow last same format used in recent years. Keegstra presented a revised agenda updated based on the discussion from the May meeting. No further changes were proposed. Any last-minute changes must be finalized at the July meeting so that it can be mailed to district electors before the Annual Meeting.

b. Documents needed for Annual Meeting

The following documents will be included in the handout at the Annual Meeting: final agenda, proposal for 2025 budget, draft minutes from the 2023 Annual Meeting, and the secretary's report (year in review).

c. Timeline for mailing for Annual Meeting notices

The Annual Meeting notice needs to be mailed two weeks in advance of the meeting. Documents in the mailing need to be to the printer by July 10th to be printed and mailed by July 15 or 16, so that they are received by district electors by July 20th, 2 weeks before the Annual Meeting.

9. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

Two additional part-time officers were hired for boat patrol. Culverts are being replaced at several locations within the town.

10. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

No report

11. Committee Reports

a. Lake Management Plan Integration Committee

Committee will meet in August

b. Water Quality Projects Committee

i. Report on May 30 committee meeting

Keegstra reported that the committee met on May 30 and discussed several topics. He reported on 2 of them: lake microbiology and concerns about the number of geese on Lake Redstone. The committee decided that performing bacterial testing, especially for coliform bacteria, is not worthwhile and will not be pursued. However, the possibility of blue-green algal blooms continues to be a potential threat, although none have been reported in Lake Redstone in recent years. Committee members and residents should continue to monitor for blue-green algal blooms and notify the board if they notice a green scum on the water surface.

ii. Recommendation from WQ committee on goose problems

The committee spent considerable time discussing the issue of large populations of geese on Lake Redstone. Sue and Tom Walters and Sue and Ken Kidd performed a survey of Lake Redstone this past spring and identified 87 nests with pairs of geese on them. They noted that young geese come back to the lake where they hatched, raising the concern that the population will continue to increase. The committee spent some time considering options for controlling the expanding goose population but wanted approval from the board before proceeding further. Keegstra made a motion for the committee to continue exploring options for controlling goose populations and to report back to the board with recommendations, second by Demaskie. Motion carried.

iii. Decision on extra expenses for CBCW activities

Sullivan reported that new equipment is needed for the CBCW team to operate effectively at the boat landings. After describing the problem, he made a motion that he be

authorized to purchase a new canopy and new trunk for use at the landings, with a cost not to exceed \$150, second by Keegstra. Motion carried.

iv. Consideration of proposal for “gap analysis” of water quality data

The proposal was not received in time.

c. Sediment Control Committee

i. Update on planning for July 26th conservation event

Planning has proceeded well. The food catering will be provided by Amber Ghetti with a budget of up to \$2,000. Brian Daug's will be providing the meat. Another planning meeting is scheduled for June 17th to continue working on remaining details.

ii. Decision on budget for conservation event project

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$4,500, with \$2,500 coming from the LRPD and \$1,000 each coming from Sauk County and Juneau County. Sullivan made a motion to approve a \$4,500 budget for the conservation night project, second by Demaskie. A question was raised about whether there was any fee from the McWilliams farm for hosting the event. This question will be raised at the next planning meeting.

d. Education & Outreach Committee

i. Update on reimbursement requests for 2024 shoreline improvement

Mitch McCarthy from Sauk County reports that seven projects have received approval for the Healthy Lakes Program. To date, none have come to the LRPD board for reimbursement from our program.

ii. Revision of criteria for projects qualifying for reimbursement

Ahead of the meeting, Horner distributed a revised statement the criteria of projects qualifying for reimbursement. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that the criteria should be made more general. Horner said that he will submit a revised statement for consideration at the July board meeting.

12. Agenda items for July 9th regular meeting

Update on weir replacement project, finalize Annual Meeting documents, reschedule August board meeting

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned when all business was complete at 8:09pm.

AD/June 29, 2024

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