

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 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.

2. Roll Call:

Mike Mittelstadt, Brad Horner, Dave Crockett, Pat Sullivan, Ray Demaskie, Peter Kinsman
Others: Al Baade, Anna Demaskie Virtual: Ken Keegstra, Cary Dudczak, Matt Haerter

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Horner, seconded by Crockett. Horner made a motion to add a discussion of recruiting new board members under chairman's report, seconded by Sullivan. Motion carried.

4. Approve minutes for October 8th regular meeting, October 17th special meeting, and October 29th partners meeting.

Horner made a motion to approve October 8th minutes, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.
Sullivan made a motion to approve October 17th minutes, second by Crockett. Motion carried.
Sullivan made a motion to approve October 29th minutes following a minor edit, second by Crockett. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

None

6. Chairman's Report

a. Update on Martin Meadowlark weir repair project

A no-cost extension for the DNR grant was approved so that the funds can be spent when the project is done next year. A request has been made for a no-cost extension of the Sauk County grant. The current plan is that the project will be completed in late spring 2025.

b. Update on liability insurance changes

A search for an alternative insurance company that covers weirs has not been found. The district may need to operate without liability insurance on the weirs. The consensus was that this gap would not create much, if any, risk.

c. Update on policy for boats with enhanced wake

The Last Wilderness Alliance provided a draft ordinance for Lake Redstone that Mittelstadt forwarded to the La Valle town board. They reviewed the drafts at the November board meeting and will act at future board meetings. Separate draft ordinances were provided to Dutch Hollow for consideration by the La Valle and Woodlands town boards. If adopted by the town board, the draft ordinances will need to be reviewed by the Wisconsin DNR before they can be implemented.

d. Recruiting new board members

Horner reminded everyone that the district will have 2 board vacancies to fill at the annual meeting next August. He requested that folks should advise interested candidates to attend board meetings in the coming year to learn about board activities and processes.

7. Treasurer’s Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers

Ken Keegstra	Postage to send lake samples to lab	\$ 13.50
WI State Lab	Analysis of lake water samples	\$ 449.00
Howard Spivack	Reimbursement for shoreline improvements	\$2,000.00
Sara Hatleli	Field work for EWM bed surveys	<u>\$1,425.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$3,887.50

Keegstra made a motion to approve current invoices for \$3,887.50, second by Horner. Motion carried.

b. Review monthly financial reports

A check for \$1,700 was received from Dutch Hollow sharing proceeds from the lake-to-lake fund raiser. Mittelstadt will send a note thanking them for the contribution.

8. Secretary’s Report

a. Review any action items from partners meeting

As discussed at the partners meeting Sauk County will be perform a shoreline assessment at Lake Redstone in 2025. Mitch McCarthy would like copies of the raw data from the 2018 shoreline assessment. Horner will provide the data to him.

Keegstra reported that Mitch McCarthy contacted Dick Lathrop following the partners meeting to inquire about ideas for dealing with “legacy phosphorus” in Lake Redstone. Lathrop provided a lengthy response including some ideas for treatment of hypolimnetic water on shore. The water quality committee will investigate the feasibility of these ideas.

b. Review annual planning calendar and make needed changes

No changes were made to the existing calendar, and it will be used in the coming year.

9. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

The Town of La Valle will hold their annual budget meeting on Wednesday. Repairs to Cobble Dick Road are finished. The two bridges on LaValle Rd will be repaired/replaced in 2025 or 2026. The new ordinance on wake boats will be decided by the end of April.

10. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

A planning meeting to consider ideas for Hemlock Park will be held at the La Valle Town Hall on November 14th. Mirror Lake’s dredging project has been delayed for the winter.

11. Committee Reports

a. Lake Management Plan Integration Committee

b. Water Quality Projects Committee

i. Report on October committee meeting

A meeting was held on October 11th. A discussion of the results from 2024 water sampling and plans for the coming year were held. Considerable time was spent discussing possibilities for goose control. A sub-committee will explore options during the winter and intend to have plans for action in 2025.

ii. Update on search for a new dissolved oxygen meter

No progress

c. Sediment Control Committee

i. Review of sediment control strategies

Sullivan reviewed some of the projects that will be considered in the coming year. The committee is looking at a grant request for a project near Cardinal court. Another grant

possibility is a project near Chickadee South. Jim O'Brien may be interested in projects to control sediment coming from his land.

d. Education & Outreach Committee

i. Update on reimbursement requests for shoreline improvement

(Note: This item was handled early in the meeting so that Matt Haerter did not need to remain on the zoom call during the entire meeting.) The Haerter project involved more than \$16,000 to control sediment entry into the lake. While not all portions of the project were eligible for reimbursement, Haerter estimated that half of the expense was spent on projects that qualify for reimbursement. Crockett made a motion to approve Matt Haerter's reimbursement request of \$2,000, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

ii. Decision on delayed Dudczak reimbursement request

The requests postponed from earlier in the year were considered. Horner made a motion to approve Cary Dudczak's reimbursement request of \$2,000, second by Sullivan. Motion carried. Horner made a motion to approve Vince King's reimbursement request of \$2,000, second by Crockett. The motion carried. Horner made a motion to approve the request for reimbursement of \$1,050 for work on an easement parcel owned by multiple owners that was submitted by Cary Dudczak, second by Sullivan. Following a brief discussion of how the sharing of the reimbursement would work, the motion was approved.

12. Agenda items for December 10th regular meeting

Updates on wake boat ordinance, liability insurance, and Meadowlark weir project. Preliminary discussion of 2025 newsletter

13. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned when all business was complete at 8:02 pm.

AD/December 1, 2024

KK/December 2, 2024