

LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Board Meeting

Monday, May 17, 2021 6:00 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:

Brad Horner, Ken Keegstra, Mike Mittelstadt, Paul Burke, Pat Sullivan, Ray Demaskie

Absent: Peter Kinsman Others: Al Baade, Cary Dudzcak, Anna Demaskie

3. Approval of Agenda

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

4. Approval of minutes for April 21st regular meeting

Motion to approve April minutes by Sullivan, second by Burke. Motion carried.

5. Public Input

6. Treasurer's Financial Report

a. Approve vouchers.

Ed Jepson	newsletter production	\$ 750.00
Wheeler, Van Sickle, & Anderson, S.C.	bylaws legal advice	\$ 1,350.00
Lichte Insurance Agency, Inc.	workers comp policy	\$ 378.00
Jewell Assoc. Engineers	MM weir repair design	\$ 4,625.93
Payroll Solutions	3 rd quarter tax and reports	\$ 134.00
TOTAL		\$ 7,237.93

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

b. Review monthly financial reports.

7. Chairman's Report

a. Update on FEMA applications

Board is waiting on an email and certified letter from FEMA. Mittelstadt contacted Tony Kurtz about getting a response from FEMA about funds and a request for Meronek Meadows mitigation due to meeting requirements such as replacing a single structure with multiple structures and using gabion baskets.

b. Update on completion of dredging associated activities by Kaiyuh Services.

There has been no progress. Mittelstadt has requested that they complete the final steps and submit a final payment request by the end of the month, or we will explore getting someone else to complete the remaining tasks and withhold their last payment to cover our costs.

c. Approve payment request from Kaiyuh Services.

See above.

d. Plans for Sauk County grants program.

Stream monitoring will be the only request for a grant money in the amount of \$20,000. Keegstra contacted Dustin Ladd from Juneau County about providing \$6,000 to support stream sampling with the LRPD providing the funds if Juneau County cannot. Ladd will put in his budget request in August and will try to include this project, but no guarantees at this point in time.

The cost estimate for repair of the weir above Martin-Meadowlark was \$50,000 and could go higher.

This is too expensive to include as a request to the Sauk County program. There are possible grants available from the DNR up to a total of \$50,000 or \$200,000, depending upon the category. These grants can be used for implementation of a Lake Management Plan.

e. Update on bylaws revision-Is a special meeting needed?

A final review will need to be done before the annual meeting. A special meeting will be held sometime June 7-10 to go over the final revisions.

f. Moving forward with Swallow spillway repair

Sullivan and Richard Fish met with Nick Kinsman who said he would not be able to get his equipment to the spillway when the ground is soft. Fish suggests rebidding the project as soon as possible and extending the project deadline to May 31, 2022. The property owner of the easement is thinking about his own project. If so, we may be able to coordinate with his project to create an advantage for both parties. A final decision will be made at the next LRPD board meeting after gathering more information from the property owner and Sauk County about a grant extension.

g. Update on EPA survey on Lake Redstone

A survey to measure emissions of greenhouse gases will be conducted around June 1st. Middlestadt will contact Sauk County about providing them with a parking permit.

8. Secretary's Report

a. Planning for annual meeting

Keegstra made a motion to hold the August 7th meeting at the Lake Redstone Property Owner's Association clubhouse patio, second by Burke. Motion carried.

b. Support for Lake Redstone Watershed producer-led cooperative

The cooperative plans on holding two field days this summer. The first one will be held in early June at Wegner farm and demonstrate a new piece of equipment. Keegstra made a motion to provided pizza and pop to the June event for a cost of \$75, second by Sullivan. Motion carried. A second field day will be held sometime in late August/early September. The hope is to arrange for the demonstration of a manure injection system.

c. Cason contract for 2021

Keegstra made a motion for Cason to do a fall survey at a cost of \$2,700, second by Horner. Motion carried. Cason has improved their method of gathering data. The survey should show the results of the hand harvesting program.

d. Sara Hatleli contract for 2021

Keegstra made a motion to approve the agreement for Hatleli to complete point intercept surveys on Arapaho, Cardinal, Hummingbird, Oriole, Chickadee and Mourning Dove this summer at a cost of \$4,260. Second by Burke. Motion carried. The goal is to assess these bays for possible whole bay herbicide treatments next spring.

9. Committee Reports

a. Update on Lake Management plan-Keegstra

The draft so far is seventy-five pages and covers the lake background and problems. The complete draft should be completed in near future. Zoom call will happen on May 27th. Blumer asked about including an appendix reporting past studies and an additional appendix covering actions performed in response to the recommendation presented in these studies.

b. Water Quality Committee

i. CBCW-Sullivan

Sullivan talked with Clear Lake and Door county about their boat treatment systems. Their systems were purchased through cost shares and grants. These lakes are not comparable to Lake Redstone. Sullivan does not recommend pursuing the boat cleaning system at this point in time. The materials for the 2021 CBCW program are at the boat landing, but some literature needs to be updated. The McCluskey's will start surveying people this weekend.

ii. Update on EWM control activities in 2021-Keegstra

APM, LLC will come down for four days sometime before July 4th to do hand harvesting. The transportation costs are \$541.60. They will make one trip and stay locally at their own expense. They are waiving their disposal fee because volunteers will be transporting plant material removed from the lake to the compost site.

iii. Planning for updating the Aquatic Plant Management Plan-Keegstra

The plan will be updated next year. A grant will be needed from the DNR. Sara Hatleli says she could prepare the grant application for a cost of \$800. The board authorized Keegstra to pursue an agreement for her to do this. He will bring a proposed agreement to the June board meeting for a decision.

c. Sediment Control Committee

i. Committee activities update-Sullivan

Six items were addressed at the May 5th meeting. One item is the sediment committee's role in Eagle and Chickadee's watershed projects along with possible grants available. Martin-Meadowlark and Swallow Bay projects were also discussed. Shoreline assessment was also addressed.

ii. Update on easements and maintenance obligations-Sullivan

Sullivan made a motion for Blakeslee to conduct survey at Canary 97 at a cost not to exceed \$500, second by Keegstra. Motion carried. A discussion with the property owner is needed about rain events. There is an easement at lot 51, but not at lot 50. At Chickadee, the water misses the rock chute, so the hillside ditch needs to be dug out and cleared out near the culvert.

iii. Update on Shoreline Activities-Horner

Possible dates are June 18th, June 25th, June 26th, July 16th, and July 17th. Twenty-six people are interested in attending workshops. The workshops will focus on how to improve shorelines. A third landscaper, Gonzo, can participate in the workshops.

iv. Martin-Meadowlark update-Mittelstadt

Scott Whitsett from Jewell submitted a proposal to replace the sheet metal weir with a series of gabion baskets. There were a number of questions about how this system would work. It was suggested that Whitsett should attend a committee meeting to discuss the project.

d. Social Media: Mittelstadt

Usual updates.

10. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

Brandt Rd will be blacktopped next month. The water ordinance wording was approved and is heading to an attorney. There will be two new patrol officers for the lake; schedules for Memorial weekend are uncertain. A solar light will be put at Section 11. Dutch Hollow Rd will be redone from Thompson Rd onward this summer and will take about two months. There will be a review of the driveway permit and wake ordinance.

11. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

Absent

12. Agenda items for June 8th meeting

Annual Meeting, Shoreline Workshops, Bylaw Meeting

13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned when all business was complete at 9:20.

AD/May 27, 2021-KK/May 31, 2021