# Board Meeting Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 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:

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

## 3. Approval of Agenda

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

**4.** Approval of minutes for December 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting and December 19<sup>th</sup> special meeting Motion to approve the minutes of the December 13<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting by Demaskie, second by Sullivan. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 19<sup>th</sup> special board meeting by Sullivan, second by Burke. Motion carried.

- 5. Public Input None
- 6. Treasurer's Financial Report
- a. Approve vouchers

Community First Bank taxes to dredging savings account \$106.203.46 General Engineering Co. writing DNR grant proposal \$9,261.70 Total \$115,465.16

#### b. Review monthly financial reports

Mittelstadt made a motion for the treasurer to make a deposit in the amount of \$106,203.46 to the Community First dredging savings account once the next tax payment arrives from Sauk County, second by Keegstra. Motion carried.

#### c. Initiate external review of finances for presentation at 2023 Annual Meeting

MBE will conduct the review. Quicken reports will be sent to them so they can initiate the review.

- 7. Chairman's Report
- a. Update on status of joint LRPOA/LRPD welcome letter

Sullivan reported that he had not heard any more from the leadership of the LRPOA

#### b. Discuss attendees for Lakes Convention in Stevens Point (April 19-21, 2023)

Mittelstadt, Sullivan and Horner are interested in attending. Each person who wants to attend should make their own reservations at the Holiday Inn at Stevens Point; the hotel fills up fast.

- 8. Secretary's Report
- a. Report on discussions with Keegan Johnson regarding sampling small inlet streams

Tom Walters took Keegan Johnson to the 3 sites when minor streams flow into Lake Redstone, i.e., at the end of Swallow Bay, at the end of Martin/Meadowlark Bay, and at the end of Eagle Bay. Following this tour of the sites, Mittelstadt and Keegstra held a video conference with Keegan to discuss options for monitoring these streams. Johnson reported that the flow monitoring equipment used in the big inlet streams would not work in the small inlet streams. Johnson recommends doing manual flow measurements and limited amounts of manual sampling at the three small inlets while continuing to measure flow at the outlet. He will generate a more specific proposal, along with cost estimates. This could be a potential Sauk County grant project in 2023.

#### 9. La Valle Town Representative: Demaskie

Same projects with no updates.

#### 10. Sauk County Representative: Kinsman

Hemlock Dam project is still in ongoing.

#### **11. Committee Reports**

# a. Lake Management Plan Integration Committee

Feedback status report will be available next month.

## b. Water Quality Projects Committee

Hatleli will be working on the updated aquatic plant management plan during February and will have a draft plan to us for our review in early March. This will be followed by reviews by other partners and opportunities for public input. The resulting plan should be completed by sometime in May.

#### c. Sediment Control Committee

The committee will hold a meeting in February. The plan is to establish priorities for the coming year. In addition, they will discuss possible projects that might be the basis of applications to Sauk County for their 2023 grant program.

#### d. Education & Outreach Committee

## i. Topics for 2023 Newsletter

Following a virtual meeting of the committee, that also included Keegstra and Mittelstadt, the committee proposes that the 2023 newsletter will contain articles with the following topics and authors:

<u>Topic</u> <u>Author(s)</u>

Fish survey results Nathan Nye (Horner will contact)
Fishing club report Nick Hewitt (Horner will contact)

Aquatic plant management Sara Hatleli and Keegstra (Keegstra will contact)

Social survey results and plans Horner
Integration committee and 9-key plan Mittelstadt
Water quality committee report Keegstra
Sediment control committee report Sullivan
E&O committee report Horner

Shoreline protection Horner and Sullivan (may combine with sediment control)

Producer-led cooperative report Dustin Ladd (Keegstra will contact)

Volunteer opportunities Mittelstadt

The board had no suggestions for additional topics. The goal will be to generate a newsletter of 12 pages, as was done last year. First drafts of articles are due March 1<sup>st</sup>. At the committee meeting the possibility of holding a lake fair again was discussed. The next meeting of the committee will be the third week of January.

Mittelstadt mentioned that he was contacted by Krueger Printing to announce that Donna Field is retiring and that the business will be sold. Mittelstadt will contact Krueger to find out future contacts.

## 12. Agenda items for February 14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting

There was some discussion about whether it was necessary to hold a meeting in February. Mittelstadt will decide after consulting with Burke and Sullivan about what bills need to be paid. It might be necessary to hold a short meeting to approve payment of invoices.

## 13. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned when all business was complete at 6:53pm.

**AD/January 27, 2023** 

KK/January 31, 2023