



Lost Lake RCD Board Meeting

Thursday, November 14, 2024 - 6:00pm

Board Members Present: Norm Eakley, President; Hal Warren, Vice President; Jeff VanQuatham, Treasurer/Secretary

Board Members Absent: Tyler Vankirk; Bill Winebaugh

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance: Norm called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

II. Approval of the Agenda: Hal motioned to approve the Agenda and Norm seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved unanimously by voice vote. [11-14-24-01]

III. Approval of the 10/10/2024 Meeting Minutes: Norm motioned to approve the 10/10/2024 Minutes and Jeff seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote. [11-14-24-02]

IV. Approval of the Treasurer's Report: Hal motioned to approve the October 2024 Treasurer's report and Jeff seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-14-24-03]

V. Board Member Reports

a. Norm Eakley

- **Silt Basin Gate:** A gate for the north silt basin was purchased and installed for approximately \$448 with volunteer labor. A new sign was purchased and will be installed soon. No Trespassing signs were also posted at both silt basin gates.
- **Rental Dock Ramps:** Ramps were removed by Norm and Bill Wash, and docks were removed at approximately \$800. The back legs on 2 of the docks are bent and may need repair.
- **Parking Lot:** Completed, including the installation of 2 handicapped signs.
- **Tree Removal at West Beach:** The tree still has not yet been removed. Beth will follow up with the vendor tomorrow.

b. Hal Warren: nothing to report

c. Jeff VanQuatham: thank you to Jeff for his service to the Board. His term ends Nov.30, 2024.

d. Bill Winebaugh: absent

e. Tyler VanKirk: absent

VI. Employee Reports

• Beth Caudill, Office Manager

- Newsletter: POA newsletter deadline in a few days. Suggestion by the Board to add an education article regarding road salt usage and the impacts on our lake.
- Red Cross Blood Drive: Tues, Dec.17 from 9am-2pm

• **Shawn Parish, Grounds & Maintenance:** absent

VII. Old Business

a. Lake Court Center Dock/Platform: Hal motioned to discuss this topic and Jeff seconded the motion. We need to develop a plan for replacement to request bids. We have one bid from Superior Seawalls for \$25,000 for a commercial, ADA compliant, composite dock. Norm will reach out to Superior to develop specs for a bid packet.

b. Watershed Partnership: Jeff motioned to discuss this topic and Hal seconded the motion. An initial meeting was held a couple weeks ago. We will need to review the Summary plan that will be sent to us and determine what revisions are needed, what property owners to involve, and how to best move

forward. Grants may be available for startup costs and projects. Joe Rush has agreed to provide water testing training after winter.

- c. **Abandoned Boats:** Norm motioned to discuss this topic and Hal seconded the motion. After contacting Ogle County Sheriff, IL State Police, IL Conservation Police, and our local Conservation Officer, we have the approval to move forward with an auction. Any boat that is not required to be registered with the state of Illinois is of no concern to law enforcement. Boats that are registered should be title-checked and run through a database to determine that boats are not stolen. We will need to determine an auction date and issue an auction notice 10 days in advance. We are also required to issue a Bill of Sale to the new owners of each auctioned boat. The board agrees to wait until Spring to determine an auction date.

VIII. New Business

- a. **Basketball Hoops:** Hal motioned to discuss this topic and Jeff seconded the motion. One of our basketball hoops is bent and needs to be replaced. The vendor that Dixon Park District uses is very expensive, and the board feels that we can purchase a cheaper option. Tim Spelde has volunteered to help us determine the best replacement option.

IX. Guest Comments: none

X. Motion to Adjourn: Norm motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm and Hal seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [11-14-24-04]

Next Board Meeting: December 12, 2024

November 14, 2024 Motion List

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