



Lost Lake RCD Board Meeting

Thursday, April 11, 2024 - 6:00pm

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

Board Members Absent: None

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance - Bill called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

II. Approval of the Agenda - Tyler motioned to approve the Agenda and Norm seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-11-24-01]

III. Approval of the 3/14/2024 Meeting Minutes - Hal motioned to approve the 3/14/2024 Minutes and Bill seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-11-24-02]

IV. Approval of the Treasurer's Report - Bill motioned to approve the Treasurer's report and Hal seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-11-24-03]

V. Board Member Reports

a. Bill Winebaugh

- **Carp Mitigation:** Our Commercial Carp Fisherman has been contacted. If anyone notices carp spawning, let us know right away so we can arrange for netting.
- **Superior Seawalls:** Dredging is done, but Superior still has equipment to remove and some ground repair to complete. Final payment will be issued once these items are completed.
- **Goose Control:** Shawn has been out once to treat goose eggs. A nuisance permit has been established. Geese produce 1-2 pounds of waste every day which carries bacteria, attracts mice and rats, and produces bad nutrients for our lake. Shawn cleans the beaches of goose waste Monday through Saturday during beach season. We need help with goose control and goose waste cleanup. Jeff will help, and Norm will help if needed.
- **Beaver Damage:** More beaver damage has been sited, and our trapper has been contacted. We will request a new permit, then set up a time for trapping.
- **Officer Elections:** We will be holding the Board Officer elections at the next meeting.

b. Hal Warren

- **Flagg Road Silt Basin Dredge:** Nordman will be dredging this basin and depositing the silt in our newer basins near the church.
- **Dry Silt:** A local vendor may be interested in taking the silt after it's dry, and Nachusa may want some to fill a gravel pit. The board is in favor of distributing the dry silt to local vendors.

c. Jeff VanQuathem - nothing to report

d. Tyler VanKirk - Turkey hunting program will include 1 hunter between April 26-May1. Signs are in place.

e. Norm Eakley - Cub Scouts derby will be held April 20 at 9am at North Beach.

VI. Employee Reports

• Beth Caudill, Office Manager

- **Boat Racks & Signage:** Boats have been removed from racks for repair. At least a dozen boats that did not have RCD identification were removed and placed at the campground. We should consider signage at the boat racks stating that boats must be registered.
- **Website:** Norm noticed that personal dock permit needs to be updated.

- **LCC:** Baby changing station has been installed in the Women’s restroom. The new coffee pot arrived and has been set up for use. Carpet runners have been placed inside the office door and in the hall of the main entrance.
- **Rental Docks:** We have 8 slots on each side of the lake, and only 3 on the east side remain unrented for the upcoming season.
- **Shawn Parish, Grounds & Maintenance**
 - **Boat Racks:** All boats have been removed with some stored at the Campground. Bill will meet with Shawn tomorrow to determine what repairs need to be made.
 - **Goose Patrol:** Goose patrol has begun.

VII. Old Business

a. Lake Court Center Parking Lot: Proposed plans have been provided by Willett Hofmann and were reviewed by the Board. We will need a new base, tree removal, and improved drainage. Funds are available in our Money Market account. Bids will be requested in the newspaper for 30 days with a deadline to submit bids by May 22nd. Project to be completed by October. The Board would like to move forward with Phase 1 at this time. Tyler motioned to move forward with Phase 1 of the proposed parking lot improvements and Bill seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-11-24-04]

- Phase 1: existing lot and handicap spots – estimate \$90,192.55
- Phase 2: additional parking in existing green space – estimate \$30,926.94

b. Lake Court Center Dock/Platform: The platform behind LCC will be pulled by Winterland when he comes to install our rental docks. No plans to replace at this time. We may leave the dock portion.

c. Burn Pile: Our burn piles needs to be burned soon. We will notify the County when a date is set. The weather will dictate when we complete the burn.

VIII. New Business

a. Boat Lifts: A community member inquired about the allowance of pontoon boat lifts on personal docks. We don’t have anything in our Ordinance regarding the installation of boat lifts. We should amend our Ordinance and Personal Dock Permit to include that pontoon boat lifts cannot exceed current dock limits and must be installed after April 1 and removed by October 31.

b. Watershed Partnership: Bill met with Joe Rush to discuss reviving our Watershed Partnership. We need someone to spearhead the program to improve our lake’s water quality and watershed. A monthly water testing program could be implemented and reported to the EPA. Water clarity/turbidity testing could also be implemented. Collaboration with ILMA, Nachusa, and local farmers would be necessary. Bill will invite Joe Rush to an upcoming board meeting to discuss in further detail.

c. Resolution 01-2024: Preparation of Tentative FY2024-2025 Budget and Appropriation

IX. Guest Comments

X. Motion to Adjourn - Jeff motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm and Norm seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-11-24-05]

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