

Lost Lake RCD Board Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2024 - 6:00pm

Board Members Present: Bill Winebaugh, President; Hal Warren, Vice President; Jeff VanQuatham,

Treasurer/Secretary; Norm Eakley

Board Members Absent: Tyler VanKirk

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance Bill called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
- **II. Approval of the Agenda** Hal motioned to approve the Agenda and Jeff seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-01]
- **III. Approval of the 4/11/2024 Meeting Minutes** Norm motioned to approve the 4/11/2024 Minutes and Jeff seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-02]
- **IV. Approval of the Treasurer's Report** Bill motioned to approve the April, 2024 Treasurer's report and Hal seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-03]

V. Board Member Reports

- a. Bill Winebaugh
 - **Beaver Damage:** Our beaver trapper is unavailable, and our current license expires May 14th. Norm will look into wrapping our oaks to protect them. Hal will reach out to Jeff Cox.

b. Hal Warren

- **Boat Racks Complaints:** A letter was published addressing concerns with the boat rack repairs. Concerned parties were also contacted directly.
- **Dredge Complaint:** a message was left with the concerned party.
- Stairs Near Dam: need to be replaced.
- c. Jeff VanQuathem willing to help with goose control and/or beach cleanup.
- d. Tyler VanKirk Absent.
- e. Norm Eakley
 - North Beach Dock: extension is complete, but the original dock will need to be replaced next year.
 - Rental Docks: recommends adding funds to budget for replacement with newer material. Also
 recommends adding bumpers to protect boats and docks. Ramps were discussed. We need to look
 into liability concerns and decide how to move forward.
 - Kayak Launches: installation is complete. Video instructions will be posted soon.

VI. Employee Reports

- Beth Caudill, Office Manager
 - Boat Racks: Fielding complaints. Posted letter from Hal. Shawn will provide a list of boats left at the campground to begin contacting boat owners. Unclaimed boats will go through our existing process for auction.
 - Website: Updated Home page and Agendas & Minutes page. Still need to update forms.
 - Rental Docks: Only 2 slots remain on the east side of the lake. Recommend the possibility of adding another rental dock on the west side due to multiple requests.
 - o **IDNR:** The DNR will be patrolling our lake this summer.
 - Dredge: The Dredge bank account is now closed. Final payment was made. The equipment at exercise park needs to be reinstalled.
 - o **POA Newsletter:** deadline for the next edition is May 16th. Please submit contributions.
 - o **Picnic Table:** a new picnic table has arrived for installation at west beach.

- Shawn Parish, Grounds & Maintenance
 - Goose Patrol: 23 eggs have been remediated.
 - o **Beaches:** set for grooming. Water samples will begin next week.
 - o Stairs Near Dam: need assistance installing new stairs once built.
 - o RCD Boat: needs new motor. Prefers 2-stroke.
 - Weed Control: shoreline has been sprayed. Need to look into different chemicals.
 - LCC Benches: Menards does not carry the needed replacement boards. Wood boards will be used instead.
 - o **Buoy Replacements:** colors may be mismatched, but replacements will be taken care of.
 - Beaver Trapping: willing to help with trapping, since he has past experience.

VII. Old Business

- **a. Lake Court Center Parking Lot:** Bids will be opened on May 23rd at 2pm. An Executive Session can be called following the opening of the bids to award the bid to the desired contractor. Our engineering firm is using the online platform Quest for contractors to submit bids. Our approximate engineering costs at this point is \$10,000. We need to consider a different engineering solution moving forward. Bill will provide a referral made by Joe Rush.
- **b. Lake Court Center Dock/Platform:** Norm and Hal will look at the remaining dock to determine our best path forward. We may need to build stairs for safe access from lake to land.
- **c. Burn Pile:** Not yet completed, but needs to be done. Dependent on winds. Ogle County will be contacted prior to burning.
- **d. Boat Lifts:** Dock permit and Ordinance needs to be updated.
- e. Watershed Partnership: Bill will contact Joe Rush to attend a future board meeting to discuss.

VIII. New Business

- **a. Communication of Community Complaints:** All board members should be notified as complaints arise, in order to work together to resolve the issues.
- **b. Private Dock Permit 112 Crabapple:** Permit submitted meets all requirements. Hal motioned to approve the dock permit at 112 Crabapple and Norm seconded the motion. The permit was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-04]
- **c. Riprap Permit 414 Birch Lane:** Permit submitted meets all requirements. Hal motioned to approve the riprap permit at 414 Birch Lane and Bill seconded the motion. The permit was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-05]
- **d. FY2023-2024 Annual Financial Report & Publish in Newspaper:** Hal motioned to approve the FY2023-2024 Annual Financial Report & publish in the newspaper and Bill seconded the motion. The Financial Report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-06]
- e. Tentative FY2024-2025 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance (Order to be filed for public inspection for 30 days): Hal motioned to approve the Tentative FY2024-2025 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for public inspection and Bill seconded the motion. The Tentative FY2024-2025 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-07]
- f. Resolution 02-2024 Public Hearing on Budget & Appropriation Ordinance (Notice of Hearing to be published in local newspaper at least one week prior to Hearing): Jeff motioned to approve Resolution 02-2024 Public Hearing on Budget & Appropriation and Bill seconded the motion. Resolution 02-2024 was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-08]
- **g. Election of RCD Officer for FY2024-2025:** The board members present held a secret ballot election for FY2024-2025 board officers. The results are as follows:

President: Norm Eakley
Vice President: Hal Warren
Treasurer: Jeff VanQuathem
Secretary: Jeff VanQuathem

IX. Guest Comments: suggestion to contact other lake communities for recommendations regarding boat ramp liability, shoreline spray, etc.

X. Motion to Adjourn: Hal motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm and Bill seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [05-09-24-09]

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