

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes –February 22, 2022 – Held at Alden Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 5:22 P.M. on February 22, 2022 by Chair Warren Wood.

· Roll call: Present - Warren Wood, Jim Reckinger, Dan Early and Ted Johnson.
Absent - Joe Demulling, Jackie Elkin and Tom Deans.

· Approval of Agenda: **Motion to approve the agenda was made by Johnson, seconded by Reckinger .**
Motion carried.

· Public Comments: None

· Minutes: The minutes of the January 25, 2022 board meeting were reviewed. **Motion to approve the minutes was made by Early, seconded by Johnson.** Motion carried.

· Treasurer's Report: Reckinger gave the treasurer's report for fiscal year to date. The report showed a summary as follows:

Gross Available:	\$120,640.44
Non-lapsable fund balance:	\$38,517.44
Committed to alum treatment (CD)	\$0.00
Additional to CD	\$0.00
Committed to alum treatment (non CD)	\$15,742.32
Committed to alum monitoring:	\$7,360.00
Committed to other grants:	\$1,000.00
Net Available Balance:	\$58,020.68

Members of the board discussed the report. Reckinger indicated that the CLP&RD budget balance is increasing as proceeds of assessments are processed by the counties. He indicated that he is looking for the best savings rate so that these funds can earn interest until they are needed. Any questions were addressed by Reckinger. **Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Early, seconded by Johnson.** Motion carried.

· Business Items:

· Alum Treatment –Bill James, the District's alum treatment consultant, is in the process of completing data entry and final analysis. The final report is expected soon.

· AIS

– Clean Boats Clean Waters. Dan Early indicated that data for CBCW effort in 2021 (hours, contacts, boats, etc.) has been finalized and loaded into the DNR SWIMS database. The District is transitioning from Matt Olson as CBCW coordinator to Jackie Elkin; Dan will coordinate a meeting with Jackie, Matt and Jim Reckinger to review the 2021 effort, what worked and how can we improve.

–EWM. A new aquatic plant management/removal firm has reached out to provide these services for the Lake District. Early and Reckinger are evaluating this firm for possible work.

–Zebra Mussels. Nothing new to report.

- **Shoreland Zoning:** Wood said that he continues to communicate with zoning officials from both Polk and St. Croix counties. He indicated that there are currently no issues in Polk County but there are a couple of issues being investigated in St. Croix County.
- **Grants:** Reckinger provided an update of grant requests submitted to WDNR by the District. The District has applied for grants for CBCW, AIS Control, Alum Monitoring, Alum Treatment and Lake Management Plan Update. Wood said that he has signed the acceptance of the Lake Management Plan Update Grant and it is to be sent to the DNR. Other grant issues will be discussed in coming meetings.
- **Dam Keepers Appointment:** The engagement letter for this work will be signed by Warren Wood and sent out to Doug Flom and Mike Hayes for their signatures.
- **Lake Buoy Manager Appointment:** The board discussed the engagement letter for placing, removing and storing the lake buoys (it was previously agreed that Emmett Meister is qualified for this work). It was agreed that the letter should include information specifying the location of each buoy using the geographic coordinate system (GCS). The engagement letter will be revised by Deans accordingly and signed/sent by Warren Wood.
- **CLP&RD Newsletter:** Nothing new to report. Further discussion will take place during subsequent meetings.
- **Board Member Reports:**
 - Reckinger reported that Lake District Maps for both Polk and St. Croix Counties have been updated to reflect detachment of parcels and new boundaries. The maps will be posted to the CLP&RD website.
 - Wood said that he asked Shane Demulling, Don’s son, if he would be interested in establishing the official “Ice Out” date for Cedar Lake, a family tradition for decades. Shane said he would be glad to determine the “Ice Out” date going forward. Dates will continue to be posted on the District website.
- **Other Business:**
 - Johnson brought up issues of vandalism, lighting, cameras, etc. at the north boat landing. The Board will continue to discuss/coordinate these efforts with Alden Township and Star Prairie Fish and Game (who agreed to repair the damaged sign at the landing).
 - Wood attended a recent meeting of the Star Prairie Fish and Game (SPF&G). He indicated that he joined as a member to continue the close relationship between our groups in years past by Don Demulling. SPF&G is planning to repair the sign at the north boat landing. They are also planning a “clean-up” on the ice at Cedar Lake on Sunday, March 13, 2022, weather permitting. Anyone interested in helping with this effort is asked to meet at the old Star Prairie Town Hall (at C and CC across from the Outpost) at 8:30 AM.
 - Reckinger discussed the upcoming annual conference of the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Association. It was agreed that if any board member wished to attend this conference in person or virtually the attendance fee will be reimbursed by CLP&RD.
- **Agenda for Next Meeting:** Business items for the next meeting will include: Alum Treatment and Monitoring, AIS, Shoreland Zoning, Grants, Lake Management Plan Update, CLP&RD Newsletter, Board Member Reports, and Other Business.
- **Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be on Tuesday March 22, 2022 at Alden Town Hall at 5:30 PM.
- **Adjourn:** **Motion to adjourn was made by Johnson, seconded by Early.** Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Warren Wood, Chairman (prepared by Tom Deans, Secretary)