

## CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes –April 26, 2022 – Held at Alden Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on April 26, 2022 by Warren Wood.

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

Also present – Emmett Meister, Lake Resident.

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

· Public Comments: Emmett Meister, lake resident, was present and discussed the condition of the lake buoys. They need new chains and some decals are worn. The board agreed that this work should be done after they are pulled this fall. Emmett also discussed the next alum treatment indicating that he would be interested in bidding for this work. Warren Wood said that the timing for the next treatment is unknown. A RFP (Request for Proposal) will be published prior to the work (in accordance with Wisc. Statutes, Chapter 33). Wood said Emmett is welcome to submit a bid for the work and he would be duly considered.

· Minutes: The minutes of the March 22, 2022 board meeting were reviewed. **Motion to approve the minutes was made by Elkin, seconded by Deans.** Motion carried.

· Treasurer's Report: Jim Reckinger gave the treasurer's report through March 31, 2022. The report showed a summary as follows:

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| <b>Gross Available:</b>              | \$435,177.81 |
| Non-lapsable fund balance:           | \$38,517.44  |
| Committed to alum treatment (CD)     | \$249,755.09 |
| Additional to CD                     | \$244.91     |
| Committed to alum treatment (non CD) | \$0.00       |
| Committed to grants:                 | \$46,295.06  |

**Net Available Balance:** \$100,365.31

Members of the board discussed the report. The CLP&RD budget balance continues to increase as proceeds of assessments (most of which is for future alum treatments) are processed by the towns. He continues to seek the best savings rate so that these funds can earn interest until they are needed. Reckinger will bring a draft budget for board consideration to the May meeting. Volunteer auditors to review CLP&RD finances prior to the annual meeting are still needed. Jim also discussed grant funding for approved grants and that some funds have already been processed. These funds are available for payment when the work is done. Any board member's questions were addressed by Reckinger. **Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Johnson, seconded by Elkin.** Motion carried.

· Business Items:

· Alum Treatment –It was reported by Reckinger that Bill James, the District's alum consultant, is waiting for testing data from the Univ. of Minnesota to complete his final report for the 2021 alum treatment.

· AIS

– Clean Boats Clean Waters. The District has transitioned from Matt Olson to Jackie Elkin as CBCW coordinator. Jackie said she has 8 candidates for inspectors at the two landing for this summer and is coordinating

training. She said she is still looking for more people. If anyone knows of someone who may be interested please let Jackie know at 612-801-6615.

–EWM. Jim Reckinger said that the plan for EWM management for this summer is being evaluated.

–Zebra Mussels. Nothing to report.

· Shoreland Zoning: Warren Wood indicated that the contact at St. Croix County for zoning issues has left. Jackie Elkin said that during the conference she attended for Polk County Assoc. of Lakes and Rivers the zoning administrator for Polk County presented changes to the zoning ordinance that affect waterfront property. Most of the changes relate to multiple occupancies and related riparian access. The changes can be viewed on the Polk County website ([www.co.polk.wi.us](http://www.co.polk.wi.us)).

· Grants: Discussed above in Treasurer’s Report.

· Lake Management Plan Update: Members of the board gathered on April 21, 2022 for a work session to discuss a survey of district property owners, one of the first steps necessary in the Plan Update process. The board gathered information, but no official action was taken.

During this regular board meeting the survey was finalized based on a previous survey and comments from the board. Cheryl Clemmons has indicated that the survey and results could be processed by Growth Strategies, a consultant, if the board so decided. The cost for this work would be covered by the already approved grant for this effort. **A motion to approve the use of Growth Strategies and to use grant funds for this work was made by Reckinger, seconded Elkin.** Motion carried.

· CLP&RD Newsletter: Nothing new to report.

· Board Member Reports:

–Reckinger said that he and Dan Early have started to go through old district files to determine what should be saved and what could be discarded.

–Elkin attended the annual Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention virtually and gave a report of the information presented. She also attended the Polk County Assoc. of Lakes and Rivers (PCALR) virtually and provided a summary of the information discussed.

–Johnson discussed the north boat landing. He said the Star Prairie Fish and Game (SPF&G) group cleaned up the damaged terrain, rebuilt the information sign and put in the two docks. SPF&G also built a fence at the west side of the parking lot and installed boulders around the bat houses in the lot. He said the SPF&G (together with Alden Township) would like to put in lighting and security cameras at the landing and this work is likely to happen this spring or early summer. The board members all agreed that the Lake District owes a big Thank You to members of the SPF&G for all their hard work, contributions and efforts.

–Deans reported the following: Official Ice Out Date (determined by Shane Demulling) was 4/19/22. The lake buoys were installed on 4/19/22. The first dam boards (of a two week +/- process) to raise the lake level were installed on 4/20/22.

· Other Business:

–Wood discussed the liability insurance the Lake District is required to maintain explaining what it does and doesn’t cover.

· 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, Review of 1<sup>st</sup> Draft Budget, Board Member Reports, and Other Business.

· Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be on Tuesday May 24, 2022 at Alden Town Hall at 5:30 PM.

· Adjourn: **Motion to adjourn was made by Johnson, seconded by Reckinger.** Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Tom Deans, Secretary