

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – August 26, 2025

The meeting was held at McMurtrie Preserve and was called to order at 5:34 P.M. on August 26, 2025 by Jim Reckinger (acting Chair).

· Roll Call:

Commissioners Present –Jim Reckinger (Treasurer), Tom Deans (Secretary), Dan Early and Danielle Olson (by phone)

Absent - Warren Wood (Chairperson), John Bonneprise and Ted Johnson

Other Attendees – Cheryl Clemens

· Approval of Agenda: **Motion (Early/Deans) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.**

· Public Comments: None

· Minutes: The preliminary minutes of the July 22, 2025 board meeting were available for review

Motion (Early/Reckinger) to approve the minutes (as amended). Motion carried.

· Treasurer’s Report: Jim Reckinger presented the treasurer's reports for August 2025. The report showed a summary as follows:

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| Gross Available: | \$695,889.60 |
| Non-lapsable fund balance: | \$70,983.44 |
| Committed to alum treatment (CD) | \$257,523.96 |
| Additional to CD | \$2,415.04 |
| Committed to alum treatment (non CD) | \$251,416.61 |
| Committed to grants: | \$16,000.00 |
| Net Available Balance: | \$97,550.55 |

Jim discussed the report. He mentioned some of the recent expenditures and that tax funds from Polk Co. have been added. He mentioned that funds have been transferred to the Non-Lapsable Fund. He answered any questions from board members about payments and expenditures.

Motion (Deans/Olson) to approve the treasurer’s report. Motion carried.

· Business Items:

· Alum Treatment – Cheryl Clemens said the inquiry to the DNR to determine the feasibility of treating the lake with iron is still unanswered. EOR, a consultant that is familiar with this type of treatment, is working with the district. Jim Reckinger mentioned that if the District is considering an Alum Treatment in 2026, we need to consider time constraints for setting this up. After discussion board members agreed that we should make a decision, one way or another, this year. Dan Early said he will contact Solitude (Alum application contractor) to see if an Alum Treatment can be done in 2026.

- AIS

EWM - Yellow Iris – Jim said Yellow Iris has been found at about a dozen locations along the lake shore and a permit application has been submitted to eradicate the plant at approximately 9 locations.

CBCW – Dan Early said that the CBCW effort is in the “wind-down” mode. Leah Cody, CBCW coordinator for the lake this year, is back in college and no longer in charge.

- Shoreland Zoning: Dan Early said he talked with Warren Wood and there are 2 lake shore issues being discussed with the counties.
- Grants: Cheryl Clemens provided 3 Grant Project Resolutions. They are for: CBCW, Healthy Lakes technical assistance and Alum Monitoring.

Motion (Deans/Early) to approve the Grant Project Resolutions for CBCW, Healthy Lakes and Alum Monitoring. Motion carried.

- Dam: Tom Deans said there are no issues concerning the dam at this time.
- North Landing: The board was made aware that the grant application (by Town of Alden) for the North Landing work was not successful. Dan Early said that Alden may resubmit the application later this year for the next funding cycle.

Lake residents should be aware that if/when the landing work takes place; the landing may be closed for periods during construction. Further information about this work, including timing and ramp closures, will be posted on the Cedar Lake Website (<https://cedarlakewi.org/>)

- Annual Meeting: The Board discussed the next Annual Meeting. Board members discussed feedback from those in attendance.
- Wake/Surf Boats (Univ. of Minn. Study): The board discussed the recent publication of the study of wake/surf boats made available from the U. of Minn. by Wisconsin Lakes. Tom Deans said he will draft a District wide email about the results of the study for review at the next meeting. Another issue discussed is the Wake/Surf boat industry’s effort to introduce legislation in Wisconsin to govern wake boat use and then limit any governmental entity in the state to create more restrictive rules. Previous similar efforts by this industry have failed to gain legislative support.
- Board Member Reports: Jim Reckinger mentioned that the Board should discuss board committee assignments and Lake Management Plan actions at the next meeting.
- Committee Reports: Nothing new.
- Other Business: Nothing new.
- Agenda for Next Meeting: Business items for the next meeting will include: Alum Treatment and Monitoring, AIS, Shoreland Zoning, Grants, North Landing, Wake/Surf Boats, Board Member Reports, Committee Assignments, LMP Actions, Committee Reports and Other Business.

· Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at McMurtrie Preserve Pavilion, Star Prairie at 5:30 PM (or at another location or by Zoom if circumstances require).

· Adjourn: **Motion (Olson/Early) to adjourn. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM

Minutes prepared by Tom Deans, Secretary