

Beaver Dam Lake District

Minutes

Meeting of Commissioners

March 24, 2022

Held at Beaver Dam Chamber of Commerce Beaver Dam, WI 53916

Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm

Attendees: Bill Foley, Dale Maas, Rich Hiley, Nicki Hupf, Gene Mazewski. No Guests

Motion to approve agenda and deviate from agenda for meeting efficiency made by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously with one correction of the date of last meeting being Nov. 15, 2021. Gene Mazewski was officially recognized as Secretary on the role and welcomed to the commission.

Minutes:

- Motion to approve minutes of Nov. 15, 2021 made by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.

Correspondence:

- 1. Two property parcels were discussed regarding detachment from the District; a. The 1st parcel consists of lake bottom only and is listed at zero dollars by the county assessor. b. The 2nd parcel does not have shoreline which is required for District inclusion.
2. The Towns of Beaver Dam and Westford questioned a parcel which is bisected by municipal boundary line. It was found that two such parcels exist creating two taxed parcels. A motion by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf to have the District's attorney advise the appropriate action and prepare a notification for the Dodge County clerk to make the appropriate adjustment for these parcels, the properties was approved unanimously.
3. The DOR was advised that the District boundaries had not changed during the prior year.
- A request for tax information for a sale closing on three parcels within the district was made and the data was forwarded.

The meeting was recessed briefly at this point for a presentation of a membership plaque by the Chamber of Commerce to the Lake District and a photo. Meeting then reconvened.

Treasurers report:

- A motion by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf to approve the purchase of a printer and computer within the \$1,600 approved budget was approved unanimously. A motion by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf to approve the treasurer's report and payment of bills due shown in the report was unanimously approved. The treasurer's report will be available on the District web site. A motion by Nicki Hupf, seconded by Bill Foley to add Gene Mazewski as a signatory to the Lake District checking account was approved unanimously.

Office status:

- Office space has been leased at 138 Front St. A desk, chairs and a 3 drawer file cabinet have been donated. Keys were provided to the officers. District records will be kept here and available for inspection by appointment. PO Box will remain the mailing address.

Confirm Annual Meeting :

- Annual meeting will be Aug 13 at Beaver Dam High School. There is a slight chance some stage construction at the school might result in moving the meeting to the middle school. Enough notice will be given should that happen.

Lake Management:

- WDNR Puckagee Springs Project: Improvements made to this DNR property in 1988 have seriously deteriorated to the point of having a very negative impact on the lake. The project plans and permits have been approved. Project involves shoreline reconstruction with a large amount of rip rap and wetlands spawning habitat restoration. State funding was obtained through Rep. Born, work expected to start this summer.
- Rakes Bay plan and potential ARPA Funding: Detailed plans and specifications have been prepared and submitted to the county for ranking against other projects. Three phases are in the plan, funding will determine how far the project goes. Phase 1 addresses the water flow that short circuits through the bay bringing a significant phosphorus load into the lake. Phase 2 is a 1 to 1 cost share shoreline improvement plan with landowners. Phase 3 is a draw-down of the bay (not the lake) to restore the bay to what it should be for fish and wildlife and reduced sediment to the lake.

Fisheries Plan Development:

- Lake data compiled: A baseline plan has been started to develop and compile data for the lake to aid in prioritizing our lake for DNR resources such as stocking, rough fish removal, habitat improvement etc.. A motion Dale Maas, seconded by Gene Mazewski to hire Kurt Welke, a retired DNR fisheries biologist, as a consultant in developing this plan was approved unanimously. Work with Mr. Welke will begin immediately.
- DNR rough fish program: No rough fish have been removed from Beaver Dam lake for three years, this year will make four. A new state wide program is under development, with implementation projected for the end of this year. Carp are a major concern for the lake and the District will do what we can to expedite the rough fish removal program.
- Members matters: The commission discussed ideas on pulling in and working with other organizations on mutually beneficial projects for the lake. In particular organizations like Wisconsin Waterfowl, Wings over Wisconsin and Ducks Unlimited.
- Next Meeting: Next meeting is planned for May 12.
- Adjourn: A motion to adjourn by Gene Mazewski, seconded by Dale Maas was approved unanimously at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Gene Mazewski Secretary