



Minutes

Meeting of Commissioners

Sept 21, 2023

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

Meeting called to order at 5:36 pm

Attendees: Bill Foley, Dale Maas, Mike Zimmer, Nicki Hupf, Gene Mazewski.

Guests: Dan Keyes

Motion to approve agenda and deviate from agenda for meeting efficiency made by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.

Election of Officers: Dale Maas motioned that the current slate be unanimously elected for a one year term, Officers agreed to serve, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.

Minutes:

All minutes below were available on the District website and were reviewed.

Motion to approve minutes of July 13, July 17, Sept 12 2023 made by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.

Motion of Commissioners approval of Annual Meeting Minutes made by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.

Correspondence: Sherry Culhane requested approval to paint a sunset picture from a photo on our website. Commissioners did not know if the photos were copyrighted or not. The source of the photos was indicated on the site, so she was directed to contact them for approval.

Treasurers report:

Mike Zimmer presented the treasurers report and a motion to approve the report and authorize payment on checks 1079 thru 1083 including paying our insurance (has a minor increase) when due was by made by Gene Mazewski, seconded by Dale Maas and approved unanimously.

Prepare and approve notice for special charge:

The treasurer will send notices to 5 Towns and the City of Beaver Dam as due in Oct.

The Monarch condo project requested certain parcels to be removed from the District after divided the parcels in a way so that some did not have direct lake frontage.

Commissioners decided at an earlier meeting that per procedures, these parcels benefited directly from the lake and removal was denied.

Rough Fish Committee Report: The Lake District has decided to contest the DNR decision to cancel the planned rough fish removal project for 2023 and possibly beyond. We are preparing an information package with a proposal to conduct the program completing objectives, with available resources. This will be provided to Rep. Born who is working to solve the conflict.

Other DNR activities that negatively impact the rough fish problem were discussed including shutting off the electric barrier on Beaver Creek. It was done without any notice to BDLA or BDLIA. Sampling has shown that phosphorous levels from Beaver Creek have doubled.

Lake Management:

- + **Puckagee Springs** – project is now complete. A total of 850 ft of badly deteriorated shoreline has been reinforced and plantings are doing very well.
- + **Rakes Bay plan and permits:** Permits have started following numerous DNR personnel changes, each of which caused serious delays. The latest change resulted in permitting changes as a result of the individual not agreeing the work of his predecessors and costing an additional \$7,000 of engineering work. Beside the delay this is money now not going into the actual work.

Long Term Planning-priority, schedule, task leader:

- + **Proposed projects**
Two projects are expected, one with Ducks Unlimited on wetland work and our approved Bluegill stocking next year. If we are not successful in doing the rough fish removal this year commissioners felt the stocking would be a waste of time and money because of survival concerns for the bluegills.
- + **Town Hall Meeting** General feeling is that the two meetings were worthwhile. If held they should be a little earlier in the year so they are not too close to the annual meeting.
- + **Chamber After Hours** We will try to be more active in this program.

Members matters Discussion on working with BDLIA on buoy placement and removal options.

Next Meeting Dates: **October 24th** based on Chamber availability

Adjourn 7:10 PM On motion by Dale Maas, seconded by Nicki Hupf and approved unanimously.