



## Meeting Minutes

Oct 3, 2024

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

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Attendees: Bill Foley, Dale Maas, Mike Zimmer, Nicki Hupf, Gene Mazewski. Guests: Alex Williams BD Aerial Photography, Karen Huber & Steve Hughes BDLIA

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

### Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes of Jul 17, 2024 made by Dale Maas, seconded by Mike Zimmer and approved unanimously.

**Trestle Bay Drone:** Alex Williams reviewed the drone photos he recently completed of Trestle Bay shoreline. Discussion followed on how to use for DNR required shoreline evaluation. DNR process currently does not allow “drone” photos instead of hand held digital cameras even though drone usage results in better pictures and avoids the unsafe practice of needing to take watercraft into the miles of shallow rocky bays on BD Lake to “follow” DNR procedures. All agreed DNR needs to modernize their requirements. Talks will follow.

**Correspondence:** Gene Mazewski spoke with Steve Carpenter (guest speaker at annual meeting) and he was OK with including photos of his talk provided we acknowledged UW and Badger Talks for their part in the program. No other correspondence.

### Treasurers report:

Mike Zimmer presented the treasurers report and a motion to approve the report and authorize payment on checks 1103 thru 1107 including pre approval of our annual insurance payment likely due before our next meeting, was made by Mazewski, seconded by Maas and approved unanimously.

### Fishery Committee Report

+ Fish stocking Sept 27 14,000 3-4 inch bluegills were stocked near Derge Park on 9/27. Commissioners and a couple local residents observed. Photos and video will be put on the web site soon.

+ Contract Fishing is under way at Trestle Bay as Phase 1 of our DNR rough fish program gets under way. The carp gate has been repaired and electro shocking fish survey completed.

+ DNR Proposed Program We are in basic agreement with the 5 year plan the DNR proposed for rough fish control following inclusion of changes we proposed. We are not yet in total agreement because they have not included a provision for rough fish removal from the main lake body. Preliminary analysis from the Trestle Bay survey indicates a much greater rough fish population than earlier estimates. A motion to arrange a meeting with DNR and Stakeholders to discuss this item in light of Trestle Bay data as made by Maas , seconded by Hupf and approved unanimously.

- **Lake Management**

- + Dodge Co. Lakes Alliance is moving more towards water quality not just Ag., a positive for the District. Includes UW Extension agronomy, the District, NRCS, FSA. Meets quarterly

- + UW WRM Practicum 2025 review: First tour of the lake occurred a couple weeks ago. Focus will be Upland analysis, Shoreline buffering, lake biobase-vegetation. Estimated 50% of the water entering BD Lake is cleaner than the main lake. Question is why, are there unrecognized sources of pollution. Volunteers will be needed during the study for boats, guiding resources, help.

- + Surface Water Grant Shoreline Assessment prepare and submit: Prelim document turned in to DNR

- + Surface Water Grant Mill Creek design and preliminary protection: A restoration grant for correcting the area between the rail trestle and the lake where erosion has created a new island.

- Grant Lake level telemetry: Discussions ongoing with the city to install telemetry on BD lake level readings to assist in managing future Slow No Wake alerts.

- **Long Term Planning**-priority, schedule, task leader

- + Form Technical Advisory Team Dodge county Alliance Group adds technical capabilities such as Agronomist, Forester, Water Quality, resources the District can use for technical support. The county has completed a watershed survey of potential runoff/erosion sources.

- + A 20ft x 20ft exclusion barrier is planned for Conservation Bay to evaluate impact of rough fish on vegetation.

- + Runoff and shoreline work being evaluated for Derge Park.

- + Second Focus Group Oct 12, 13 individuals have signed up

**Members matters** Watermark is giving us until end of Feb to use a paid for hall reservation.

- Recess General Meeting: A motion to recess the meeting to discuss legal matters was made by Maas , seconded by Hupf and approved unanimously. Guests were asked to leave.
- Convene Close Meeting : Legal Matters were discussed
- Reopen General Meeting : A motion to reconvene the meeting to regular business was made by Maas , seconded by Hupf and approved unanimously
- Next Meeting Dates: TBD

**Adjourn** 8:30 PM On motion by Gene Mazewski, seconded by Dale Maas and approved unanimously.

Submitted 10/5/24

*Gene Mazewski*

Secretary