

OKAUCHEE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

APRIL 10TH, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

TOWN OF OCONOMOWOC TOWN HALL

1. Call to Order

C. Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to local newspapers, posted at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, two posting boards, and on the OLMD Website.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present:

Carol Wilson
John Foley
Dee Schriver
Bruce Mueller
Tom Godar

Absent:

None

Also Present:

Brady Mullikin, Lake Operations Manager

Pat Furno, Accountant for the District

Linda Goehre, Website & Security

5. Correspondence

D.Schriver distributed documents to the commissioners concerning The Golden Mast pier expansion. Hans Weissgerber resent the documents to the DNR and withdrew his channel side expansion. He was approved to use the island under a 1 year conditional use for recreation. T. Godar asked what their riparian fees would be if they are approved for the pier expansion.

6. Comments from the Floor

None

7. Comments from Committee Members

a. D. Schriver shared that we have applied for a chemical treatment permit and that this year's plant management report will need to be done, we are settled for the fees through 2023 and will need to sign a new 5 year plan.

b. B. Mueller stated that there are properties of interest for sale on road L. The purpose of the OLMD buying properties would be to conserve the water quality, to expand our operation and have a place to store equipment, and weed management. Perhaps OLMD could work with agencies such as Tall Pines Conservancy on conservation of the land.

8. Discuss & Act on Report of Treasurer

D. Schriver reported the following:

a. Total revenues: \$379,297.81

b. Total expenditures: \$29,566.48

This leaves a budgeted balance of \$349,731.33

T. Godar moved to accept the report of the Treasurer as presented. J. Foley seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Approved Checks & Vouchers

B. Mueller moved to approve payments submitted for approval by the Treasurer from late October and November. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

T. Godar moved to approve payments submitted for approval by the Treasurer for the December bills. J. Foley seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Schriver moved to approve payments submitted for approval by the Treasurer from January, February and March. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (10-10-2022)

T. Godar moved to approve the minutes from the 10/10/2022 meeting. J. Foley seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Aquatic Plant Management Report

a. Brady Mullikin, Lake Operations Manager, reported that they opened up shop today 4-10-23. They are excited to welcome back many of the same great crew members from last season and are hoping for another successful Summer. There is an anticipated training day set for the new-hires on May 25th/26th, with a scheduled clean up before Memorial Day weekend. There are 2 new Kubota engines going on the C1 and C4 and Brady stated that they will sell the old motors on Facebook Marketplace. They are also getting 3 new outboard motors this week. The first day of harvesting is set for May 30th 2023 depending on weather conditions.

b. J. Foley asked if since the Winter was so mild and not a lot of snow cover on the lake, should we anticipate a much weedier Summer? Brady replied that the Springtime weather will determine that more than the Winter weather. As long as it stays cool for a bit then that will muddy down the water and slow the weed growth.

c. Brady shared that the most challenging issue they are facing at the moment is a close farm field for weed disposal. He said that they talk to 3-5 potential drop off points each year and as they will have hundreds of loads to drop off, the location needs to be no further than 20 minutes away. The closer the location, the better, that way they can get in and out in a timely manner. He said that they typically need a football size field for the entire season and after the weeds have decomposed they will go back and pull any leftover garbage from the field.

d. D. Schriver shared that we have historical agreements on Road L that we can't leave weeds sit there for any extended amount of time.

e. T. Godar asked what we anticipated this year to spend on weed disposal and whether or not it was budgeted. D. Schriver replied that yes it is budgeted under the Equipment and Storage Fees line item. We are also continuing to work with local farmers that will allow us to dump weeds on their property.

f. D. Schriver stated that we are a member of the Lake Country Clean Waters organization (LCCW). They might be an option in regards to finding a place to dispose of the weeds. Another place that was suggested was the town of Oconomowoc or the town of Merton recycling center.

13. Discuss and Act on Website

D. Schriver asked if there was anything that the commissioners wanted to have posted on the website.

J. Foley replied that we should ask if anyone knows of a farmer that would allow decomposing weeds to be dumped on their land and post this on the website.

17. Future Agenda Items

- a. Discuss & Act on the approval of destruction of all records that are older than 7 years.
- b. Discussion of the Road L properties for sale and the usefulness to the OLMD operation. Benefits to Okauchee Lake.
- c. Discuss & Act on contacts through Waukesha County on shoreline restoration.

18. Set Future Meeting Date

The next meeting is set for May 8th 2023 at 7:00pm.

19. Adjournment:

D. Schriver moved to adjourn the April 10, 2023 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. B. Mueller seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.