

LOWER SPRING LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
Annual Meeting
August 26, 2017

Call to order: President Carol Dixon called the meeting to order at 11:05. Treasurer Vicki Bradford and Secretary Debby Bartolerio were present. In total 23 Lake District members were in attendance.

Reading/Review of Minutes: Debby read the minutes from the June 10, 2017 Lake District Meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

The minutes from the June 29, 2017 Special Meeting regarding the dam repair were distributed. No changes were requested.

Debby read the minutes from the August 23, 2017 Emergency Board Meeting. One correction, indicating the harvester was refurbished rather than purchased in 2009 occurred. The minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Vicki reported that the entire cost for the herbicide treatment has been paid, however we should receive a reimbursement from the grant for approximately \$15,000. We are currently over budget by \$1,899 for weed harvesting and had an unexpected \$1,800 expense for water testing. The treasurer's report was filed.

2017-2018 Budget Review: Vicki provided a proposed budget for \$14,059.00, which is approximately \$37.00 more than 2017's budget. The amount budgeted for Herbicide treatment will be reduced by \$10,000 due to our inability to treat the whole lake. The finger bay and shoreline treatments will be requested, however the DNR will determine what will be permitted. The budgeted amount for weed harvesting operations will be increased based on this year's costs.

Bill Alveshire made a motion to re-establish the \$2,000 annual harvester fund expense to allow the lake district's savings to grow. Peter Walker seconded the motion. 16 voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Frank Loduha made a motion to approve the 2018 budget with the additional \$2,000 included. Pat Zimmerman seconded the motion. The budget was filed as amended.

Aquatic Plant Survey & Drawdown Information Report: Carol presented the information from Patricia Cicero. Patricia is almost done with her survey. Weeds have hampered her ability to complete this task. There haven't been any results relative to the water samples taken as a result of the chemical treatment, so she has no opinion on the effectiveness. Patricia prepared a draft document with some information regarding lake drawdowns. In her opinion it is a good option for us.

Weed Harvesting Update: Jim Dixon reported there were a number of challenges this year in our efforts to control the weeds; a late start to facilitate the herbicide treatment; prolific brown algae bloom, harvester operator turnover and finally, a break-down of the harvester. Jim asked thanked Dave Henrichon for all of his efforts this year, and acknowledged Joe Zimmerman as the new harvester operator and notes that he is doing a wonderful job so far.

Dam Repair Committee Update: Vicki reported that she spoke with Village Clerk/Treasurer Laurie Mueller regarding the funding process. A document from the Village Attorney provided some additional information. The project needs to be completed, the costs need to be paid by the Village. Until these things are completed, taxpayers will not be affected by the dam repair

costs. The Village has the ability to act without seeking input from the Lake District members, although they are not prohibited from taking into consideration our concerns or suggestions for funding options. The hazard rating has not been lowered at this point, but the two properties down-stream that affected the rating have both been purchased. Additional information relative to the final hazard rating, the type of dam and actual cost need to be obtained before any additional actions by or on behalf of the Lake District members would occur.

Based on the above information, the Dam Committee has been dissolved.

Vote for Treasurer: Linda Plennes presented ballots for Treasurer. Vicki Bradford agreed to serve again. Ballots were counted, there were 18 for Vicki Bradford and 1 for Holly Walslager.

Appointment of Auditors: Linda Plennes and Debby Bartolerio were appointed to conduct an audit of the Lake District's financial records.

Open Forum: Jim Dixon acknowledged our appreciation for the "Goose Patrol" and the "buoy deployment" teams.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be January 20.

Adjournment: At 12:40 motion to adjourn was made by Bill Alveshire and seconded by Al Fehrmann.