

Minutes  
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting  
May 24, 2018

**Present:** J. Marks, M. Bluemel, R. Schopp, B. Rosenquist, K. Aron and 6 citizens.

J. Bellante was excused.

J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

J. Marks read a portion of State law that says residents do not have the *right* to participate in public board meetings, but that he will accommodate residents by letting them speak under Public Comments. He will not allow comments under discussion points.

**Minutes:** M. Bluemel motioned to approve the minutes, second by B. Rosenquist, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** M. Bluemel gave the report. Motion by R. Schopp, second by B. Rosenquist to approve, motion carried.

**Information and Correspondence:**

The WLMD has received the Certificate of Insurance from the Fireworks committee. This was requested for their use of the WLMD's boat launch property for staging the fireworks program. Actual firework launch site will be determined by the contractor based on weather conditions.

The lake went into Emergency Slow-No-Wake conditions because of the heavy rainfall. One problem that came up during that was the posting of the required notice. J. Marks did the posting, but it did not comply with the ordinance and was not on the primary roads. K. Aron explained that the WLMD's role in the Emergency is simply to notify the Town when conditions are approaching emergency levels. When 8.8 is reached on the WL level stage recorder, which is more than 8 inches above normal levels, the Town Chair orders the Emergency Slow-No-Wake on all 3 lakes in the Town. If the signs are not posted properly any citations will be voided. Anyone using the boat launches could see the signs but local residents could not see the signs unless they used the launch. K. Aron recommended that the Town should post to comply with their ordinance. They have officials, and staff that can and should be posting.

J. Marks said the order should never have been put in place in the first place. K. Aron showed the lake level chart for Wind Lake. The level on Big Muskego was a foot above normal, downstream was full, and people were already experiencing flooding. The emergency order was appropriately put in place. R. Schopp will speak to the Town to ensure that the process is in place and followed.

**Old Business:**

Regular chemical treatment and harvesting will be conducted. Chemical treatment is scheduled for the week of June 4<sup>th</sup>. The harvester is scheduled for the week of June 11<sup>th</sup>. We have received permission to use Sportsman's to off load harvested weeds. The harvester will cut all areas of the lake except any areas with SSW first. This is to help prevent the spread of SSW. The areas in the NE will be harvested last. If SSW comes up on the harvester, we will have to isolate the harvested plants at the disposal site.

Decisions on regular treatments and harvesting will be made on site at the time of the work.

DNR will be inspecting the Breezy Bay channel to determine if the harvester can cut or off load in the Breezy Bay channel. There are concerns about the damage a harvester can cause, as well as complaints about weeds if treatments aren't conducted. His decision will become part of the 5-year harvesting plan and permit.

J. Marks said he spoke with DNR about the volunteer monitoring for the SSW treatment. Treatment is tentatively scheduled for June 11.

K. Aron explained the scope of the project that includes surveys, treatments, and residual monitoring. Treatment may or may not be done on the 11<sup>th</sup>. DNR plant survey work As of this meeting, the SSW is at a low density and low height and not showing signs of growth. The SSW is covered with tiny zebra mussels.

K. Aron explained that the paperwork was not properly submitted to DNR for the two grants. J. Marks gave her the remainder of the papers that he did not send to DNR. K. Aron will redo the paperwork and submit directly to DNR.

**New Business:**

J. Marks asked to change to a 2-signature process on all checks. B. Rosenquist moved to have 2 signatures on checks, one being the treasurer, the other being the chairman. R. Schopp seconded. M. Bluemel said this can't happen right away - we will have to have new checks made, we have 70 checks left.

J. Marks showed the signs for the June 9<sup>th</sup> Boat Inspection that were printed as a donation by F. Bellante. He was thanked for the donation.

**Public Comments:**

One landowner asked about how to get a letter from K. Aron. It was clarified that it was an email. She asked to be put on the email blast list.

A question was asked about the Emergency Order and why people were upset – no citations were written for violating the order, but they were unhappy because they did not know it was in place.

A resident thought it was best to treat the milfoil in the SSW area rather than harvest it. It was asked if weeds will be picked up on the roadside in areas where there was SSW. It will be picked up.

Roadside weed pickups were in the last newsletter and are the last Tuesday in the month, through the summer through October.

A resident asked to have a copy of the newsletter sent to her and her mom.

Fireworks are scheduled for June 30<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.