

**MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WIND LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Norway Town Hall

**Tuesday May 19, 2026
7:00 pm**

Present: Chairman Mike Bluemel, Treasurer Todd Flunker, Secretary Jeremy Sauld, County Rep Joe Bellante, Town Rep Mike Lyman, and Commissioners Pat Calliari and Jim Bluemel.

5 citizens were present for the meeting.

Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Called to Order by M Bluemel at 7:00pm followed by Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approve Minutes for April 28, 2026 Meeting

-M Bluemel called for a discussion on the April meeting minutes. Flunker motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Bellante seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

3. Treasurers Report

-Flunker provided written and verbal reports for the period of April 28th to May 18th, 2026. Motion by J Bluemel to approve the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0.

4. Public Comments

-No public comments

5. Information and Correspondence

-Flunker noted that the district received a letter from the State of WI DNR advising that the homeowner at 24301 N Wind Lake Rd applied for a dredging permit. The permit has been approved.

M Bluemel noted that a homeowner called him after receiving the newsletter regarding biweekly roadside weed pickup ending September 28th. The homeowner expressed that they would like weeds picked up weekly until the end of October. A short discussion amongst the board followed. It was noted that ending roadside weed pickup coincides with the date when the harvester will be removed from the lake. The trailer used for roadside pickup is the same trailer the harvester is parked on when removed from the lake.

New Business

a. Goose Roundup – Discussion and Possible Action

-A short discussion amongst the board was had. Much of the board noted there are not as many geese this year as years past. M Bluemel noted he will survey the

board on June 1st to determine if there are enough geese to proceed with a goose roundup.

b. Chemical Treatment Update – Discussion and Possible Action

-Bellante noted that he spoke to Keenan at Solitude and the pre-treatment lake survey will tentatively be completed the week of Memorial Day.

c. New Harvester Update / Training – Discussion and Possible Action

-The new harvester was delivered on May 18th and both harvesters are in the water. There was unfortunately bad weather the day training was scheduled to occur so training has been delayed and will not tentatively take place next Thursday.

d. Fuel Plan for Harvesting – Discussion and Possible Action

-M Bluemel noted that the new harvester has a Honda 25hp motor that runs on regular gasoline. The manufacturer noted that it will use no more than 5 gallons of gas in an 8-hour shift. The plan to refuel the new harvester will be to use gas cans which the Harvesting Program Manager will refill. The board then discussed options for refueling the larger harvester which runs on diesel. M Bluemel estimated that it would cost approximately \$3,300.00 to purchase two tanks and supplies necessary to efficiently refuel the harvester that runs on diesel. Flunker motioned to approve the purchase of two, 110-gallon diesel fuel tanks including pumps, batteries, chargers, and equipment necessary to facilitate refueling the diesel harvester, seconded by Calliari. Motion passed 6-0.

e. New Storage/Shed – Discussion and Possible Action

-A discussion was had amongst the board regarding the need to replace the storage trailer previously donated when the program started. Options were discussed including size, delivery timing, placement location, and the need for the storage to be movable. The consensus was that the trailer should be replaced this year. Upgrading storage on the districts lot is a long-term investment in the harvesting program. Calliari volunteered to investigate storage options and oversee the process of replacing the current storage trailer through purchase of a new storage shed. Sauld motioned to approve spending up to \$12,000.00 to purchase a new storage shed for the districts lot, seconded by J Bluemel. Motion passed 6-0.

f. 2025 Audit Activities – Discussion and Possible Action

-Flunker noted that he spoke to both Connie Herda and Ken Mueller, both are still willing to performing to financial audit of districts FY 2024 financial record.

Old Business

a. Lighted Buoys Update

-Sauld noted that the buoys had been delivered and given to the lake patrol this past Sunday when the crew was placing all the buoys out on the lake for the year. Sauld then noted that many of the buoys being placed out this year are in poor repair and should be replaced. Some of the buoys located behind Wood Island are broken around their tops from being run over by boats. Additionally, officer Bennett suggested removing a few of the No Wake Buoys near Wood Island and adding a few more hazard buoys in areas where boaters have complained about hitting hazards under the water. The process will entail going through the process of changing the town ordinance on buoys and receiving approval from the DNR.

b. Property Work / Fence Update – Discussion and Possible Action

-A discussion on restoring the district's lot now that Sanitary District's project is complete and the new fence has been installed was had. M Bluemel noted that he would work with Jerry Kotarak next week to grade and replace gravel on the lot.

Adjourn

-Motion by Sauld to adjourn at 7:45 pm, second by Bellante. Motion passed 6-0.

Note: The next monthly meeting will tentatively be held at the Norway Town Hall on Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting dates are subject to change. Consult WLMD.org for the latest information.