2026 ANNUAL MEETING & BUDGET HEARING MINUTES

Thursday, October 8th, 2026, at 7:00 pm Norway Town Hall

Call Meeting to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman M Bluemel called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Introductions - Board Members, Guests

Board Members Present: Chairman M Bluemel, Treasurer Todd Flunker, Secretary Jeremy Sauld, County Rep Joe Bellante, Town Rep Mike Lyman, Pat Caliari, and Jim Bluemel.

40 residents present for meeting.

Approve Minutes from the 2025 Annual Meeting

Chairman M Bluemel noted that the 2025 minutes were printed and mailed in the newsletter. Patty Mueller (25011 W Loomis Rd) motioned from the floor to waive reading the minutes. Julie Waldron (7010 Breezy Point Rd) seconded. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Pat Mueller (25011 W Loomis Rd) motioned to approve the 2025 minutes as presented. Ron Mayer (7143 W Wind Lake Rd) seconded. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Annual Meeting Project Update

Chairman M Bluemel provided a brief update on the years activities/projects. It was again another heavy weed year. Warm weather early in the year contributed to heavy weed growth. Communication with dam operator has been going well. Joe Bellante has taken over working with the contractor who surveys and applies chemical treatments to the lake and has done a great job. Jerry Kotarak was acknowledged for his hard work and dedication to managing both harvesting operations and roadside pickup. Jeremy Sauld has done a great job taking minutes and ensuring the district's website is updated. Todd Flunker has done a great job as treasurer, and the district is in a very sound financial position. The board has been very transparent on finances, projects, and has worked hard to be as fiscally responsible as possible. Money is being allocated for a future Alum Treatment. Additionally, a new fence and storage shed have been installed at the district's lake lot to support harvesting operations. Weed disposal continues to be a challenge but the board is working on long-term solutions. Overall, it has been a productive year and the board looks forward to another good year in 2027.

Report from District Members - Financial Review

Ken Mueller and Connie Herda reported on their independent reviews of WLMD's 2025 finances. Connie noted that there were no issues identified during the audit and thanked treasurer Flunker for

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maintaining detailed and transparent records. Connie commented that the district is in a strong financial position. The floor was opened for any questions/comments from the public. No questions at this time.

Request for Volunteers to Review Previous Year Financials

M Bluemel noted that Connie Herda has participated in the financial audit for the last two years and Ken Mueller for one. M Bluemel requested a volunteer to replace Connie and assist Ken with next year's review. The goal is to have at least two members of the district perform the audit annually with at least one of the two people from the previous year participating. Ken Mueller (25011 West Loomis Rd) again volunteered to assist with the review of the 2026 financial records. No other volunteers stepped forward at this time.

Budget Presentation and Hearing

Treasurer Flunker provided a status update on the financial accounts and a projection of where fund balances are expected to be at year-end. He then reviewed the proposed 2027 budget, including income, expenditures, and line-item details. Key points included strong fund balances and continued contributions to the alum treatment fund. (2027 budget attached at end of minutes). Motion by Tom Charapata (24839 W Loomis Rd) to approve the 2027 budget as presented, seconded by John Landry (25116 S Wind Lake Rd). Motion passed on unanimous voice vote of all present at meeting.

Review of Resolution 1-2025

Chairman M Bluemel read the following resolution into the record:

Resolution 1-2026

Whereas the WLMD Board proposed the enclosed budget for WLMD for the year Jan 1, 2027, through Dec 31, 2027: And whereas notice of Budget Hearing and Annual Meeting was provided to residents and Landowners:
And whereas the Board recommends the projects presented herein:
And whereas the 1997 annual meeting gave the Board authority for short-term borrowing only to cover grant reimbursements not yet received:
And whereas the 2010 Annual Meeting approved the levy of irrepealable taxes to repay state loans:
And whereas the 2021 Annual Meeting gave the Board the authority to charge all taxable properties in the district according to those categories, including situations where one owner has multiple properties:
And whereas the 2023 Annual Meeting gave the Board the authority to charge District properties at the annual rate of: $280 lakefront, $160 canal and $100 off lake properties:
Be it further resolved that the annual WLMD charges will be placed on the 2026 tax bill with no penalties:
Be it further resolved that the WLMD Board is authorized to apply for available grants:
Be it further resolved that the WLMD Board is authorized to apply for a grant for a future Alum treatment:
Be it further resolved that WLMD Board members can designate that a donation be made to the Wind Lake Fireworks Association on their behalf in lieu of their quarterly stipend:

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Be it further resolved that the authorization for short-term borrowing to cover grant reimbursements not yet received is continued through this budget year:
Be it further resolved that the projects included in the budget, if amended at this annual meeting are hereby approved:
Be it further resolved that the WLMD is approved to apply for loans for purchases and projects approved at this meeting:
Be it further resolved that the 2027 Budget as proposed / amended is hereby approved:
Be it further resolved that the 2027 Annual Meeting can be scheduled after September 8th:

Chairman M Bluemel opened the floor for questions or comments from the public. A short discussion amongst the board and public followed.

Ron Mayer (7143 W Wind Lake Rd) motioned to approve Resolution 1-2026 as presented. Ken Mueller (25011 W Loomis Rd) seconded. Resolution 1-2026 passed unanimously on a voice vote.

New Business

Chairman M Bluemel welcomed Cherise Strzok from the Wind Lake Fireworks Association to speak. Cherise opened by thanking the board members who donate their stipend to support the fireworks show followed by a brief history on the Wind Lake Fireworks Association. 2027 will be the 10th annual fireworks display. The 2027 fireworks display will take place on June 27, 2026. The fireworks show is funded 100% by fundraisers/donations and its biggest fundraiser, the annual ice fishing jamboree, will be hosted on January 30, 2027 at Sportsman's. Cherise noted there is a significant need for volunteers to assist with collecting items for the jamboree basket raffles and selling raffle tickets prior to the jamboree. If anyone is interested in volunteering, Cherise can be reached at 651-246-0591.

Chris Giles (7809 E Wind Lake Rd) noted he is new to the community and represents Sky Dive Milwaukee. Chris noted charity events that Sky Dive Milwaukee participates in including one for children where the Easter Bunny sky dives and then visits with the kids. He would like to do something in the Wind Lake community and thinks the Ice Fishing Jamboree would be a great opportunity.

Election of Commissioners

Flunker noted that the board seats currently held by Mike Bluemel (Chairman) and Jeremy Sauld (Secretary) are up for election. Flunker called for nominations from the floor three times. Jerry Kotarak motioned to nominate Mike Bluemel and Jeremy Sauld for another term as commissioners, seconded by Jim Simono. No new nominations were received. Both Mike Bluemel and Jeremy Sauld were re-elected for a three-year term on a unanimous voice vote of all present at the meeting.

Adjourn

Ron Mayer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm, seconded by Pat Mueller. Motion carried on a voice vote.

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A Board of Commissioners meeting was held immediately following the Annual Meeting to elect officers. The meeting was called to order at 8:05pm by M Bluemel. A short discussion amongst the board regarding officer positions was had. Sauld motioned to nominate Pat Calliari as Chairman, Todd Flunker as Treasurer, and Jim Bluemel as Secretary, seconded by Bellante. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Flunker motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sauld. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

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Wind Lake Management District
2027 APPROVED Budget

Annual Revenue - General Fund	
Lake Dues	$166,780
Property Transfer Fees	300
Interest	15,750
Total Estimated Income	**$182,830**

Expense Category	Jan 1, 2025 to Dec 31, 2025 ACTUAL	Jan 1, 2026 to Dec 31, 2026 Approved Budget	Jan 1, 2027 to Dec 31, 2027 APPROVED
Meetings/Seminars	$0	$1,500	$1,500
Postal Expenses	1,011	900	900
Office Supplies/Equipment	164	250	250
Publications	-	250	250
Insurance	5,672	12,750	12,750
Print/Publishing	2,800	2,750	2,750
Mileage/Per Diem	5,999	6,400	6,400
Misc	162	250	250
Website	1,139	1,500	1,500
Attorney	-	4,000	4,000
Accountant	-	-	-
Weed Control/Harvest/Pickup	65,122	108,615	124,420
USGS	12,678	14,000	14,000
Geese Control	3,500	4,000	4,000
Property Maintenance	140	18,250	1,250
Contingency (Pier 2024/Bouys 2025)	1,134	2,500	2,500
Emergency Action	-	4,000	4,000
Dam Operation	6,000	6,500	6,500
Aquatic Plant Survey/Plan (Harvesting Permit every 5 years; last done 2024)	-	-	-
Total Cash Expenditures	**$105,521**	**$188,415**	**$187,220**
Alum Treatment Fund	175,000	25,000	25,000
Total with Alum Treatment Fund	**$280,521**	**$213,415**	**$212,220**

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Weed Management Cost Breakdown

	2026 Budget Approved	2027 Budget Approved
SSW Treatment	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
Reg. Chemical Treatments	10,000	10,000
Roadside Weed Pick Up	10,000	17,500
Weed Disposal Site Fee	5,000	5,000
Manager Salary	5,000	5,000
Training	2,240	2,330
Operator	21,000	21,840
Maintenance & Fuel	8,000	11,000
Trucking	28,875	33,250
Winterizing & Shrink Wrap	2,500	2,500
Weed Cutting Contingency	6,000	6,000
Total	$ 108,615	$ 124,420

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