

**LAKE HELEN PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
Wednesday April 8, 2020
Telephone Conference**

The Lake Helen P&R District Commissioners' meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm
Commissioners Present: Tyne, Glen, Robin, Bill, and Tom
Commissioners Absent: None
Guests: Fred Stoeger and Chris Hamerla

Due to the current public health concerns regarding COVID-19 and the executive orders issued by the Governor and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, government organizations are permitted to conduct public meetings remotely in order to comply with the Safer At Home Orders. Lake Helen Protection and Rehabilitation District met via Telephone Conference on April 8, 2020.

Tom made a motion to approve the December 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Glen seconded. All in favor. Glen made a motion to approve the January 19, 2020 meeting minutes. Tom Seconded. All in favor.

➤ **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Robin reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Checking Account \$4,572.61
- Savings \$10,843.99
- Total tax settlements \$7,626.90 (No additional settlements expected)
- Tom made a motion to approve the budget. Glen Seconded. All in favor.

➤ **OLD BUSINESS**

▪ **Lake Management-EWM Treatment**

- Tom said he is waiting on some more information from Scott Provost regarding the Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) expected treatment date. A temperature probe "Thermal Hawk" is needed to measure the water temperatures properly. Water temperature has to be 55 degrees. Scott may have a temperature probe we can use, if not Glen made a motion to approve up to \$250.00 to purchase a thermal probe for the Lake's use. Tyne Seconded. All in favor.
- We are seeking volunteers to do the lake temperatures. Temps are taken at an average depth of 7'. Tyne and Keith said with the proper equipment they would assist in taking the temperatures. Glen said he could assist also.
- Tyne mentioned that if we use a kayak to do the water temps we get back more money towards our "In-Kind Donation" work. If we receive the grant then the time would be documented in 15 minute increments. A motorized boat can also be used with no more than two people documenting their time.
- Chris asked if the herbicide concentration will go up because the quote is for 40 acres, the lake is 89 acres. Tom said No the concentration does not go up. The 40 acre quote saves us over \$1,000 on the cost of the permit; 40 acre treatment is enough to treat the whole lake.
- The estimated time frame of treatment would be Mid May.
- The permit for the treatment has been received. E.W.M. permit was \$251.00
- The total cost of the treatment is roughly \$4,985.00

▪ **E.W.M. TREATMENT NOTIFICATIONS**

- Hamilton (Schmidt's Aquatics) are performing our EWM treatment; Hamilton would like to do a mass mailing. Bill would like to do a door to door. Tyne mentioned due to COVID-19 that mailing would be safer. We agreed to do the mailing, Bill stated that he would handle it.
- Tom will follow up with Hamilton regarding the signs that will be placed on each dock regarding the EWM Treatment and what notifications and signs will be provided to us. Tyne inquired into past information stating Lake Helen District could save \$300 by providing our own signs. Tom will follow up on that

- Bill made a motion that Tom keep moving forward with Hamilton and work with him. Tyne Seconded. All in favor.

- **LAKE MANAGEMENT E.W.M. GRANT APPLICATION**

- Bill discussed the lengthy process and time spent getting the EWM Grant Application ready to be approved with the help of Chris Hamerla and Scott Provost. Thank you Bill for your time and dedication on working on this.

- **ANNUAL MEETING**

- The Annual Meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2020 at the Lake Helen Picnic Shelter. The Annual Meeting requires a two week notice to Lake Helen residents.
- The Commissioners' discussed the impact of moving the date of the annual meeting due to COVID-19 and all uncertainties at this point. The Lake Helen Budget is approved through the end of this month. Glen is up for a Re-Election. Upon discussion of these things it was decided that a delay would not cause any issues within our Lake District.
- Robin will check with the Electric Co-Op for other dates available for the Annual Meeting.

- **ANNUAL PICNIC**

- Due to COVID-19 the Lake Helen Shelter will not let you reserve the shelter until after May 10, 2020; tentatively August 1, 2020 would be the date for the End Of Year Picnic.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- Wisconsin Lakes Convention
- Committees / Teams and Updates / Plans

******THESE ITEMS AND OTHER ITEMS WILL BE FOLLOWED UP ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 22nd AT 4PM****

Glen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:07pm and follow up with other items at next meeting. Robin Seconded. All in favor.

*******TO BE CONTINUED VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE GO TO THE LAKE HELEN DISTRICT PAGE
<https://www.lakehelendistrict.com/> **or find us on facebook.**

Minutes submitted by Tyne Hoffman