

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 5, 2025
These Minutes have not been approved

EJ Kutchie and Jeff Seidl greeted all meeting attends at the sign in table. EJ and Jeff reviewed tax addresses for voter eligibility and handed out ballots to the visitors that were eligible to vote.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Ferris at 8:12. Also present were commissioners Terry Kloehn, Jim Kurzynske, EJ Kutchie, Jeff Seidl and Jerry Duhn.

Notice of the meeting was placed on the district web site, published in the Forest Republican for 2 weeks and the Pine Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Newsletter prior to the meeting. 75 members signed in on the sign in sheets. 56 ballots were issued.

Mark explained the protocol for the annual meeting. The meeting will run as efficiently as possible with everyone getting their turn for comments. Only one conversation at a time so please refrain from any side bar conversations. In the annual meeting motions and seconds will need to come from the floor.

The agenda was reviewed. Motion by John LeBotte to approve the agenda and second by John Ginder to proceed with the agenda. Passed

Minutes were read from the annual meeting held July 6, 2024. A motion was made by John Ginder and second by Wayne Pues to approve the minutes as written. Passed.

EJ Kutchie presented the financial report. A membership committee was formed and met on June 18, 2025. Members for the review were Bob Spangenberg and Bruce Elliot. Lake District commissioners present were EJ Kutchie and Jeff Seidl. The conclusion of the meeting was that the books were indeed balanced, and no further review was needed.

EJ had put together a Statement of activity from July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024, comparing actual costs to budgeted amounts. Major expenses for the year included dam cost from the Town of Hiles.

The account balances as of 6/30/2025 are-

Checking	\$ 61,170
Money Market	\$225,951
Money Market	\$ 8,578
CD	\$ 2,316
Total	\$298,015

Sue Schultz made a motion to approve the Financial Report, review findings and financial report. Seconded by John LeBotte. Passed.

Update on Lake Project:

Clean up of Pine Creek: Earlier this year some commissioners met with about 8 DNR Department Personnel. DNR representative, Scott Kanke, will be visiting end of July or early August to review projects that Lake District would like to proceed forward. This visit will coincide with the peak of weed growth in the lake.

Increase with Lake Leve Petition: Jerry continues to work with Larry Konopacki, Tiffiney and GLIFWC to understand the sighting of wild rice in the Wild Cat Creek inlet bay.

Rigero.com shoreline muck and cleaning pod: 5 systems were installed the Friday before Memorial Day this year. We will be evaluating the muck removal come next spring.

Dam Ownership transfer: Mark commented that we should be able to get the transfer completed prior to the Labor Day holiday.

Lake District Raffle: We are having a Lake District Raffle. \$100 per ticket, 300 tickets will be sold. It will be cash prizes. The raffle should net about \$16,000 if all 300 tickets are sold.

Budget Hearing: The budget was reviewed from the sheets that were printed and handed out at the registration table. (See attached) The proposed budget is to keep the 2025 Tax Assessment the same as 2024 at \$50,000. (Tom Collar or Tom Caravello) made a motion to accept the 2025- 2026 budget as presented. Seconded by Michelle Fehrmann. Motion passed.

Proposed sale of the Dredging Equipment and Trailers: The board does not feel the dredging equipment and trailers are needed. The proposal is to have a minimum bid of \$5,000 with sealed bids. Advertising will occur in the Forest Republican newspaper. John Ginder made a motion to sell the trailers and dredging equipment. Seconded by Wayne Pues. Passed.

Proposed By-Law Changes: Jerry explained that the by-laws were changed for Article III, Section 6- Project Approval from \$5,000 to \$10,000. With some of the projects that are proposed for Pine Creek the cost of some of the activities exceed \$10,000. The proposal is to change that limit from \$10,000 to \$40,000. Motion by John LeBott to increase the project limit from \$10,000 to \$40,000. Seconded by Bill Klug. Passed.

Review of Board Members and elections. Jerry Duhn's term is up for reelection. Jerry stated that he would be in for reelection. Mark asked for any other nominations from the floor. Being no nominations from the floor Bruce Elliot made a motion to re-elect EJ Kutchie. Seconded by John LeBotte. By ballot vote 26 voted for Jerry. No write in votes.

Any Other Business: Members asked for input for:

- Total Dam Completion
- Fish Planting
- Wake Board Boats
- Additional Fishing Piers down at the dam/ beach area.

Future Meetings: All meetings at 8:00

- Quarterly meeting following the Annual meeting today
- Saturday, August 29th Quarterly meeting
- Other meetings needed will be announced.
- Saturday, May 23, 2026
- Saturday, July 4, 2026 Annual Meeting.
- Saturday, July 4, 2026 Quarterly meeting to follow the Annual meeting
- Saturday, September 5, 2026 Quarterly meeting

Adjourn: There being no other business the motion was made by Bill Klug to adjourn, seconded by John Ginder and approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Duhn, Secretary