

MINUTES: Quarterly Meeting
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
May 8, 2024

These minutes were approved at the May 25th Quarterly Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Ferris at 9:01am. Present at the Trailhead Pub was Mark, commissioners Terry Kloehn, EJ Kutchie, Jim Kurzynske and Jerry Duhn.

Tiffiney, Flambeau Engineering and Steve Kircher, Forest County Land and Water and 4 Lake District members registered on the sign in sheets. Plus the 5 commissioners.

The meeting was posted 24 hours in advance of the actual meeting time. The agenda was reviewed. Motioned by EJ to proceed with the agenda, seconded by Jim. Passed

No minutes were read. This meeting will be documented along with notes from the February 2nd meeting. The minutes will be read at the Memorial Day meeting on May 25th.

Finances- EJ reviewed the current finances.

Balances from the end of March statement were-

Account Balances as of March 31, 2024

Laona- \$ 6,533 Checking account earning 2% interest.

Deposits \$35,377

Checks \$11,873

\$164,170 6-month CD, Earning 5.5% interest

\$51,477 14-month CD, Earning 5% interest

TOTAL_ \$222,180 With out Deposits in April.

Motioned by Jim to approve the finances. Seconded by Jerry. Passed

Update on Dam/ Bridge Project. Lunda Construction, Hilbert WI, was awarded both the Dam and the Bridge Projects. Lunda, Ayers Engineering and Mark Ferris met at the dam on April 9th. Lunda will begin construction on June 3rd. That is when access to the dam will only be from East and West Pine Lake roads. The beach will be accessible and available for public enjoyment from East Pine Lake Road. Phase one of the dam construction (the concrete structure) is due for completion on July 31st. The bridge construction will begin immediately after phase one is completed. Phase 2 of the dam, the stainless-steel gate installation, will be completed in late 2024.

Discussion Possible action on financial related to the dam. The cost of the dam came in about 2 times what the origan estimates were a few years ago. Mark reviewed the numbers, and a discussion was held on what options were available to the district to fund our portion of the dam construction. Using our current funds and/ or obtaining a loan from the Wisconsin Public Lands commission were 2 viable options. The board will meet in one week to discuss the true numbers and Mark will run an amortization schedule relating to the numbers. A discussion will be held at the Memorial Day meeting and any actions will need to be discussed and voted upon at the annual meeting in July.

Sucker Creek Clean Up- This last fall Sucker Creek was cleaned up from a lot of overgrowth that was impeding water flow to the lake

Walleye Stocking. 7,000- 7,500 Walleyes will be placed in the lake in the fall of 2024. The walleyes will be 6"- 8" in length.

Update on Lake Management Projects, Tiffiney, Flambeau Engineering. Last fall 2 grants were submitted to the DNR for lake projects. The projects were Water Quality and Aquatic Plants and the other was a Paleocoring Study. Both grants were denied.

The water quality project is through the DNR and is a part of the Citizen Lake Monitoring Studies. A trained volunteer collects water for nutrients, fluctuations, and possible sources. Temperature and dissolved Oxygen profiles, stratification and water clarity are checked.

The point intercept survey of aquatic plants was last completed in 2016. This study will be updated and completed in summer of 2024.

The Paleocore Study is a study completed by deep core samples taken through the lake sediment to the base of the lake. The sediment will give us data on how the sediment has changed over the years, possible sources and how to manage water quality and plant growth going forward. Samples would be taken in the middle of the lake and at the inlet of Pine Creek.

There will be no weed harvesting in 2024.

Steve Kircher will contact Scott Van Egan at the DNR to get Scott's comments on why the grants for Pine Lake were not approved.

Long Lake currently has a large dredging project on going. Jeff Siedle will contact Long Lake to discuss their dredging project and the process that they used to obtain DNR approval.

Discussion on 2024 projects, planning and objectives.

Dam and Bridge replacement Project.- Active

OHWM Project with the DNR- Jerry will contact Larry Konopaki to restart our discussions for this project.

Weed Harvesting- Not in 2024

Investigate Weed Eradication by Aquacade Products- Data needed prior to next steps, Active

Investigate Major Dredging Project. Data needed prior to next steps, Active

Fish Stocking Program- Mole Lake Hatchery- Fall of 2024

Boat launch hole at the end of concrete slab due to power loading of boats. Post signage similar to (???)

Clean up of Sucker Creek.- Complete fall/ winter 2023

Participate in FCAL (Forest County Area of Lakes). Will appoint someone at FCAL annual meeting this fall

Investigate need for Winter Aeration. Complete. Not feasible due to costs.

Investigate Water Level / Flow gauges for more lake data. To be assigned.

Meeting Dates for 2024.

All meetings will start at 8:00am

Quarterly- Saturday, May 25 Memorial Day weekend

Annual- Saturday, July 6 Fourth of July weekend

Quarterly- Saturday, July 6 After the Annual Meeting

Quarterly- Saturday, August 31 Labor Day weekend

The board will meet as needed to discuss lake business

Adjourn

Being no further comments, Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, EJ second. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:25. Next scheduled meeting will be the Quarterly meeting on May 25, 2024 at 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Duhn, Secretary