

Waupaca Chain O'Lakes District  
P.O. Box 123, King WI 54946  
waupacachainolakesdistrict.com

Board Meeting Minutes  
July 14, 2020  
Via Zoom

Call to Order and Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 9:07 am by Chairman Ellis. Present were: Ken Denow, Bob Dixon, Bob Ellis, John Hebring, Caroline Murphy, Jerry Murphy and Cathy Raynor. Guest was: Brian Zalay

Open Meeting Statement – This meeting and all meetings of the Waupaca Chain O'Lakes District Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the press in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes so that citizens may be aware of the date, time, place and agenda of this meeting.

Review and Approve Agenda – A motion to approve the agenda was made by J. Murphy, seconded by B. Dixon and approved unanimously.

Review and Approve Minutes of Previous Board Meeting, 04-28-20 - A motion to approve the April minutes was made by C. Murphy, seconded by J. Hebring and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report/Bills

Treatment Grant Reimbursement – The final treatment grant reimbursement from the DNR was \$73,397.05.

Lake and Pond Resource Treatment Expense – The total cost for the 2020 WDNR Permit Application and Notices and the chemical treatment targeting AIS was \$14,284.20.

Denow also discussed the 2020 Proposed Budget Summary and the Tax Apportionment (Dayton/Farmington) for 2019.

Unfinished Business

CB/CW Boat Landing Inspectors – Caden and Parker Pahl are the inspectors for 2020 and are doing a good job. The start date was June 1 due to DNR/covid-19 restrictions, but inspectors can work until October 1.

Onterra's Lake District Comprehensive Plan – The extended deadline is until December 31, 2020. The Onterra Final Chain Planning Report is being reviewed and revisions are still being made.

New Business

Zebra Mussels on Upper Chain and Lower – B. Dixon displayed pictures of how numerous zebra mussels attached to various objects in Marl Lake. A diver has expressed that the problem has increased 10X within the last year. B. Zalay reported that zebra mussels are already established in the Upper Chain and possibly Beasley Creek. The zebra mussel in larva form are free floating and can be transported in water inside of kayaks. B. Dixon also reported the need for more washrooms around the Upper Chain with the overabundance of kayakers. C. Murphy mentioned that the DNR's opinion is the Chain's lakes are not being

P 2, 7-14-20 meeting minutes

overused and limiting boaters is not acceptable – everyone is free to use the lakes. Instituting slow no-wake limits or changing ski hours on the Chain is the only way to curb boating problems on the Chain. C. Murphy will try to arrange a meeting with the DNR. Ellis said he understands the gravity of these problems, but these problems are out of the Lake District's control. Another way to curb the overabundance of boaters on the Chain would be to put No Parking/Tow Zone signs on Otter Drive and Knight Lane. C. Murphy will propose this at the next Farmington Township Board meeting.

#### Board Nomination-Bob Ellis

J. Murphy moved to nominate Bob Ellis to the Lake District Board Chairman position, seconded by B. Dixon and approved unanimously. Ellis has been doing a great job for the Waupaca Lake District.

#### Annual Meeting Agenda and Procedures

Ken Denow and Bob Ellis will meet to discuss Lake District expenses. The Annual Meeting notice will be the legal section of the Waupaca County Post as a Class 2 notice. Individual notice mailings to the property owners will no longer be instituted.

Next Meeting Date – Annual Meeting, 9 am, Saturday, August 8, 2020, outside of Farmington Town Hall followed by the Board Meeting.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by J. Hebring, seconded by B. Dixon and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Raynor  
Secretary

Approved: August 8, 2020