

**Lake Virginia Management District**  
**Quarterly Meeting 12/14/19, 9:00 AM**

**Excelsior Town Hall, 100 E. Broadway, Rock Springs, WI**

1. Sandy Meyer Swanson confirmed that the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law.
2. Roll Call: Sandy Meyer Swanson, Mike Pariza, Ed Rogers, Glen Johnson, Ken Nolden  
Present were Donna Hardin, Dennis Knuth, Erik Larson, and Fred Sparling.
3. Sandy Meyer Swanson moved to accept the agenda and Ed Rogers seconded. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.
4. Ed Rogers moved to approve the minutes of June, 2019 meeting, seconded by Glen Johnson. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.
5. Ed Rogers moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Ken Nolden seconded. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.
6. Lake Report
  - a. Chair Mike Pariza invited Dennis Knuth, a trapper, to discuss the discovery of a family of beavers near the dam. Mr Knuth stated, "They are a mating pair and they will start a colony. Your birches are already gone." Mike Pariza said that 30 of the trees on his property were gnawed by the beavers. Mr Knuth quoted \$250 for a one time use of a trap under the water. Marti Prorok requested that the beavers be captured and removed from the area without killing them. Sandy Meyer Swanson will post information about trapping beavers on the website and she will reimburse Mr Knuth when the beavers have been removed.
  - b. Phyllis Both was unable to attend the meeting and requested that the Board discuss whether the water level is responsible for the inordinate wetness of many properties. Mike Pariza said that the DNR set the level of the lake when the dam was installed so he will contact Gale Holloway about this issue.
  - c. Marti Prorok reported that invasive plants have been removed from the two westernmost acres of Metcalf Prairie. She has sown native seed twice in that area. She requested "No motorized vehicle" signs be posted before planting established plants on the prairie. Reclamation of Reynolds Park will commence in Spring. The Board is considering whether to install a pier at Reynolds Park. Erik Larson requested "No motorized vehicles" signs for Reynolds and Toeder Parks. The Town of Excelsior also will post "No motorized vehicles on the ice."
7. Glen Johnson reported that Sauk County's Department of Land Resources and Environment is making \$50,000 available for lake districts to hire a consultant to make recommendations about the health of the lake.
8. Sandy Meyer Swanson moved to adjourn at 10:00 AM and Glen Johnson seconded. All ayes, no nays, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Marti Prorok, Recording Secretary