

**CROOKED LAKE AREA LAKES
PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING**

October 21, 2023

A meeting of the Crooked Lake Area Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District was held on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at the Crooked Lake Community Center in the Town of Riverview, WI. The following were in attendance:

Commissioners: Brian Webb, Chair
Bob Sipiorski, Treasurer
Dave Van Zeeland, Secretary
Kevin Rasmussen
Dean Stoller
Judy Buhrandt, Oconto County Board Supervisor

Also present: Curt Hoffman, Firewise
Pat Porubcan
Jane Porubcan

Chair Webb called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CST. He began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance then conducted a roll call confirmation of attendees and verified that all participants could hear each other speak. Brian Webb presided, and Dave Van Zeeland acted as the secretary.

After affirming that no directors present declared any conflicts of interest with any agenda topics, Brian Webb asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, he proceeded with the meeting.

Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting

Brian Webb presented a resolution upon a motion duly made by Bob Sipiorski, seconded by Dean Stoller and carried; the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

***RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the Crooked Lake Area Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District meeting held on September 9, 2023 and presented to the Board of Commissioners at this meeting, be and hereby are, approved.*

Mr. Sipiorski then presented the Treasurer's report. Mr. Webb stated that the grant that was received from the DNR for Clean Boats Clean Water was repaid. Additionally, the expenses for the Firewise program were paid and then subsequently reimbursed from the DNR grant in the amount of \$2,160. Other expenses that are expected is another payment for the storage of the weed cutter in the amount of \$720 due in December. Mr. Sipiorski said there is currently \$37,051 in the checking account and we have two CDs in the amount of \$15,846 and \$20,192. Overall, the lake district is financially good shape. Looking ahead to 2024, there will be some expenses related to Onterra preparing for a chemical treatment on Bass and Gilkey lakes to control the Eurasian Watermilfoil. Mr. Porubcan stated that he has yet to purchase the three other buoys. Mr. Webb presented a resolution upon a motion duly made by Mr. Van Zeeland, seconded by Kevin Rasmussen, and carried; the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the report of the Treasurer of the Crooked Lake Area Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District and presented to the Board of Commissioners at this meeting, be and hereby are, approved.

Committee Reports

Clean Boats Clean Water

Mr. Webb reported that we will have similar hours related to the CBCW. In 2022 we had 65 hours and he stated that we will have around 70 hours in 2023.

Zebra Mussels

Mr. Webb stated that we are still monitoring the Zebra Mussels and it appears that we have the same or less being reported than we did last year. Mr. Rasmussen stated that he would send a mass email to the district members so they can report what they are experiencing when removing their boats, docks, and lifts.

Firewise

Mr. Hoffman reported the 2024 grant application is due next week. He stated that the grant amount available has increased from \$8,000 to \$11,000. The biggest thing that they are currently working on is to possibly expand the Firewise district to include those properties on the north side of W. If that is done, it will impact what can possibly be done through the grant as the district area will be doubled. He stated that they are currently working on that plan for 2024. Mr. Hoffman also reported the Firewise representative for the lake district needs to be a commissioner. Mr. Webb said that will be on the agenda in February for the lake district to select that representative. Mr. Hoffman went on to report the leaf and needle pickup for the east side of Crooked Lake is currently in progress and should be completed within the next week.

EWM Mapping

Mr. Porubcan reported the EWM mapping was completed by Onterra, and it shows large amounts of EWM in Bass and Gilkey lakes. As he stated in the last meeting, Onterra will be working out a chemical treatment for 2025 that will include full lake treatment for Bass Lake and spot treatment for some of the other areas on Gilkey and Crooked Lake. Onterra will also be updating the lake management plan and applying for grants for the treatments to the DNR.

2024 Meeting Dates

Mr. Webb then proposed meeting dates for 2024. Those dates are February 24, May 4, May 25 (Annual Meeting), September 7, and October 26.

New Business

Commissioner Terms

Mr. Webb reported that he reviewed the commissioners and their terms and would like to make sure that they are staggered. Currently the commissioner terms are as follows:

- Mr. Webb – term ending May, 2023
- Mr. Van Zeeland – term ending May, 2023

- Mr. Stoller - term ending May, 2025
- Mr. Rasmussen – term ending May, 2025
- Mr. Sipiorski – term ending May, 2026

Mr. Webb then stated that his term and that of Mr. Van Zeeland's should be bridged to 2024 and then can be elected on at the Annual meeting. Mr. Van Zeeland stated that he was resigning his position because of his election to the Town of Riverview's board this past May. He is now the town's representative and will still be on the commission but would like to have his Secretary position filled by another individual from the lake district. Mr. Porubcan and Mr. Van Zeeland stated they had spoken to an individual that was interested and nominated Ms. Pam Wierzba. Mr. Webb presented a resolution upon a motion duly made by Mr. Stoller, and seconded by Kevin Rasmussen, and carried; the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that Mr. Van Zeeland resigned as a Commissioner and Secretary of the Crooked Lakes Lake and Rehabilitation District

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ms. Pam Wierzba will serve as a commissioner and act as Secretary for a term ending May 25, 2024

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Brian Webb continue to serve as a commissioner and act as Chair for a term ending May 25, 2024 and presented to the Board of Commissioners at this meeting, be and hereby are, approved.

Mr. Webb then thanked Mr. Van Zeeland for his work and years of service as a commissioner on the lake district.

Review Bylaws

Mr. Van Zeeland suggested the Crooked Lake Lakes and Rehabilitation District to periodically review the bylaws. Mr. Webb stated this can be done at an upcoming meeting.

Hearing of no more new business, Chair Webb adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m. CST. The next meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2024 at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Van Zeeland, Secretary