CROOKED LAKE AREA LAKES PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT MINUTES

A meeting of the Crooked Lake Area Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District was held via Zoom, on Thursday, August 6, 2026. The following were in attendance:

Commissioners: Brian Webb, Chair
Bob Sipiorski, Treasurer
Pam Wierzba, Secretary
Kelli Woelz
Brain Brandt

Chair Webb called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APMP)

Chair Webb reported that he received a proposal from Onterra (Eddie Heath) to assist the district with the APMP. To meet the deadline for the WDNR grant application Onterra needed board approval by mid August, thus the reason for this meeting.

The project would consist of three aquatic plant surveys: 2027 Point Intercept Survey, 2027 Emergent and Floating Leaf Community Mapping Survey, and a 2027 Late Season EWM Mapping Survey. All three lakes would be included in the surveys. This plan is necessary to stay compliant with the WDNR regarding plant management. It also continues to make us eligible for grant applications through the WDNR.

This will be a two year project from 2027 to 2028 at a cost of approximately $20,000. Onterra will write and apply for grants that would cover 67% of the total cost.

Stakeholder Survey

The survey will be distributed through various ways, yet to be determined. It will be open to not only lake property owners but to those that use the lake through public access. Information regarding how participants use the lake and their expectations will be collected. Onterra will share information to help stakeholders better understand the ecosystem and plant management of the lake.

Floating Leaf Community Mapping Survey

This survey will look at surface plant species, such as lily pads, and determine the percentage of each species present in the lake.

Late Season EWM Mapping Survey

The survey will monitor the presence and location of the EWM.

Planning Committee

Onterra has asked that a planning committee be formed to act as the primary point of contact between the lake group and Onterra. B. Webb suggested that there be at least two board members and two citizens on the committee.

B. Webb asked for a motion to accept the proposal from Onterra; K. Woelz made the motion, B. Sipiorski seconded, unanimously approved.

B. Webb will continue to apply for grants through Oconto County.

Reminder: The September 19th meeting will be at **8:00 a.m.** at the Crooked Lake Community Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Wierzba
Secretary