

MINUTES – SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2023

ALMA-MOON LAKE PROTECTION REHABILITATION DISTRICT (LPRD)

43rd ANNUAL MEETING

Moon Beach Camp, St. Germain, WI

www.almamoonlake.org

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Len Larsen, Chairman Pro Tem

Dave Zielinski, Treasurer

Marilyn Workinger, Secretary

Sue Zauner, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Tony Waisbrot, Chairman

Ron Kressin, Vilas County Representative

Tom Christianson, Town of St. Germain Representative

Business Meeting:

I. Roll Call:

18 members present.

II. Call to Order:

Chairman Pro Tem Len Larsen called the meeting to order at 2:20 PM.

III. Agenda:

Chairman Pro Tem Larsen explained that Unfinished Business items regarding fish crib brushing and the NOVA Ecological Services study were inadvertently omitted from the agenda. Joyce Owens made a motion to add those items to the agenda. Second by Clyde Owens. Motion carried.

IV. Open Meeting Verification:

The meeting notice was posted. All property owners received the meeting notice.

V. Approve minutes of the last annual meeting, August 20, 2022:

Motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Clyde Owens, seconded by Claire Pagel. Motion carried.

VI. Treasurer's Report:

Dave Zielinski gave a review of the Lake District's financial status at the present time. A motion to approve the review was made by Claire Pagel and seconded by Ken Beier. Motion carried.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. Fish Stocking and Habitat:

Clyde Owens reported that 2,203 walleye were planted in Alma Lake and 5,026 walleye were planted in Moon on June 26 of 2023. Muskies will be stocked in the fall of 2024.

B. Water Level/Quality/Shoreland Improvement Initiative:

Ken Beier reported that measures of phosphorus, dissolved oxygen chlorophyll have been made annually since 1986. Our lakes are healthy and the clarity is good. Secchi disc readings for June were 11.5' for Alma and 11' for Moon. Readings for July were 14' for Alma and 15' for Moon.

C. Website:

Sue Zauner continues to work with Milt Klingsporn on updating the website. They are working on updating the information pages. Anyone wanting to post information on the website or who is having difficulty accessing the website should contact Sue.

D. Vilas County Representative – Ron Kressin:

Len Larsen reported for Ron Kressin that the Vilas County Board is currently working to provide financial support for resource police officers in the public schools.

E. Town of St. Germain: - Tom Christiansen

There was no report from the Town of St. Germain.

F. Social Committee Report: Terri Beier

The Annual Alma-Moon Lake Social was held at the Red, White and Brew Pub (formerly the Twilight) on Saturday, July 26. A chicken dinner was served. Twenty-two lake residents attended and enjoyed the event. The social event for next year will also be held at the Red, White and Brew on July 27, 2024.

G. Loon Ranger and Eagle Report: Terri Beier

There is one new eaglet. The loons were successful in producing two chicks on the old nesting platform after abandoning two eggs on the new platform because of an infestation of black flies. There has been a third adult loon on Alma Lake that has a bobber and line attached to it. Linda and Kevin Grenzer of Loon Rescue have made two unsuccessful attempts to capture the loon and will try again today.

VII. Old Business:

A. Crib Brushing:

Chairman Pro Tem Len Larsen reported that 21 cribs were refurbished in the fall of 2022. Thanks to all involved.

B. NOVA Ecological Services Study:

Chairman Pro Tem Len Larsen provided an update on the Alma-Moon Lake Shoreland Restoration and Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping and Planning Project being conducted through NOVA Ecological Services. The final report should be completed by November of 2023.

Len introduced Quita Sheehan who is a shoreland restoration specialist employed through the Vilas County Land and Water Conservation Department. Quita is available to work with all lake property owners in evaluating the buffer zone and other areas of properties and assisting with design of improvement projects.

She talked about improving lake habitat through the “fish stick” program and mentioned other Healthy Lakes grant funded programs that may be available through the WI Department of Natural Resources (WDNR). She encourages all lake property owners to contact their lake neighbors and share their plans for restoration in hopes of developing a collaborative approach to projects.

Quita’s contact information is mashee@vilascountwi.gov

VIII. New Business:

A. Approve the 2023-2024 Budget:

Dave Zielinski reviewed the budget proposal for the fiscal year 2023-2024. A motion to approve the budget was made by Clyde Owens and seconded by Claire Pagel. Motion carried.

B. Election of one commissioner:

The term of office for Marilyn Workinger has concluded. Marilyn has agreed to serve another term. Her name was placed in nomination. There were no nominations from the floor. She was elected by acclamation.

IX. Comments from Lake District Residents:

- Linda Czekay and Ed Pomianek reported boats traveling at greater than “no wake” speed in Alma Lake and boats traveling too close to shore and buoys. It was suggested that residents take pictures and/or videos of boats not following boating rules and report them to the DNR. The Commissioners will consider additional signage. An article will be placed in the newsletter. The concept of a

boat patrol was again raised. At present this is “on hold” because of lack of support from other lakes in our area.

- The District Commissioners were thanked for their service.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM

Marilyn Workinger, Secretary
August 26, 2023