

McGinnis Lake District Quarterly Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2024

Time: 10:00 am meeting called to order

Place: New Chester Town Hall, 629 Mason St Grand Marsh, Wisconsin

Committee Members Present: Barry Berndsen, Ken Roberts, Chuck Kozlowski, Jerry Poehler, Dave Busse, 12 Members were also present.

The March 2, 2024 minutes were distributed at the meeting. A motion was made by Barry Berndsen to accept the minutes as written. Ken Roberts seconded the motion and was unanimously accepted by the board.

Ken Roberts read the Treasurer's Report as of May 25, 2024.

Beginning Balance as of March 2, 2024 was \$26,355.95

Cash Inflows were: \$ 7990.60 - February Settlement 2024 Tax
 \$ 1023.32 - Lottery Credit Settlement 2023 Taxes
 \$15000.00 - ARPA Funds

Total Cash Inflows were: \$24,013.92

Cash Outflows were: \$ 246.94 - Barry Berndsen (Copies & Postage)
 \$12834.33 - Barry Berndsen (New Aerator Equipment Purchase)
 \$ 100.00 - ALCA (Dues)
 \$ 2330.00 - Aquatic Plant & Habitat (Spring Lake Survey)
 \$ 507.00 - Schmits Aquatic (DNR Permit)
 \$ 13260.00 - Schmits Aquatic (Lake Treatment)
 \$ 84.54 - Ken Roberts (Lock, Lures, CLMN, Copies)

Total Cash Outflows were: \$29,363.19

Cash Balance as of May 25, 2024 is: \$21,006.68

Barry Berndsen made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read. Chuck Kozlowski seconded the motion and was unanimously accepted by the board.

Old Business

The Lake Aerator System experienced some unexpected failures but these issues were addressed successfully. New equipment was purchased using ARPA funds allocated by the Town of New Chester and will be installed in 2024 prior to winter. The new equipment is both a replacement for primary units and a complete backup system. Annual operational costs for electricity are paid for by the Town of New Chester.

Weed Treatment was completed in May 2024 after an extensive survey was completed to identify target weed growth and satisfy overall objectives. The following points were discussed concerning the state of the weed population in the lake.

- In spring 2024 has experienced more weed growth then last year. (+25%)
- 7.1 lake acres were treated for Eurasian Milfoil/Hybrid Milfoil.
- 10.99 lake acres were treated for Curly Leaf Pond Weed
- A aquatic complete lake survey was completed in August 2023
- Hybrid Milfoil detected and analyzed by DNR for future monitoring
- The chemical 2,4-D was applied to total lake
- Aquathol K was applied to surveyed Curly Leaf Pondweed areas
- There will be weed harvesting done early August if necessary.
- Keifer Stroka was introduced as an Adams County resource for guidance in shoreline maintenance.

New Business

Jim Sako requested information regarding the Aeration Shed located on his property. He has a new property insurance carrier and was concerned about individuals accessing his property to get to the shed. Barry talked to our liability insurance carrier and they recommended creating an access agreement with Jim to protect all. One was created and Barry Berndsen made a motion that it be approved and signed and put on file. The board agreed with the document and will be executed with Jim Sako. Only authorized Lake District Board members or designated maintenance individuals will be allowed to access and a text to Jim needs to be sent each time the shed is accessed. Jerry Poehler made a motion to execute agreement and seconded by Chuck Kozlowski. Board approved unanimously to approve.

Discussion took place regarding purchasing property insurance on the Aeration shed and equipment. The board reviewed the \$500 annual cost and decided it would continue to be self-insured as the total replacement cost of shed and equipment is less than \$2000.

Ken Roberts gave a brief update on Friends of McGinnis Lake Clean up on Hwy G. 12 bags of trash were collected on May 12, 2024. Thanks to all the participated.

Goose population seems to be very low this year.

New sign was installed at the boat launch recently thanks to Chuck Kozlowski for his help.

Fishing lure raffle was won by Irv Kroll.

Next meeting will be the Annual Meeting on Saturday August 31,2024 at 10 am.

Barry Berndsen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 am and seconded by Chuck Kozlowski. All were in favor of adjourning.

Sincerely,
Dave Busse
Acting Lake District Secretary