

KIRBY LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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DRAFT MINUTES BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 2024 1st QUARTER MEETING

Feb. 24, 2024, 9 a.m., Maple Plain Town Hall, 393 26th Avenue, Cumberland, WI 54829

Agenda and meeting minutes are posted on the kirbylake.net website

KLMD Commissioners

Mr. Joel Meyer
Chair

Ms. Gloria Meyer
Treasurer

Ms. Barbara Brenny
Secretary

Mr. Steve Rubenzer
At Large

Mr. Jason Thompson
At Large

Mr. Dennis Jenkins
Maple Plain Twnshp

Mr. Craig Turcott
Barron County

I. CALL TO ORDER: 9:00 A.M.

II. ATTENDANCE:

A. Commissioners Present: J. Meyer, G. Meyer, Brenny, Rubenzer, Jenkins, Thompson

B. Commissioners Absent: Turcott

C. Guests: Oliver Crane, Lori and Bill Lee

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

IV. APPROVE MINUTES: December 2, 2023, approved with numbering correction.

V. CHAIR REPORT: (J.Meyer) The Boxruds will put their lot up for sale starting March 1. It is between Meyers and Loyas on 27-1/2 Ave. The Lees have finished their pole barn.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT: (G.Meyer) Since Dec. 2, 2023 the expenses were \$705.34. Income was \$5,194.84 which includes interest, donations and Maple Plain Tax Levy Settlements. Total checking balance on March 4: \$9,222.69. The 12-month CD for \$18,299 will mature on 3/22/24 and will be renewed. A second CD ("CD-2") will be opened for \$4,000. A check request for \$103.80 was approved for postage and copies since 2021 for Gloria Meyer. Note that a USPS mailing costs more than \$1 to mail these days.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS: most committees support the 2020 APMP*

A. AIS Monitoring (J.Meyer) Need for a new coordinator and for a monitor for the South Side of lake leading to the Southwest Bay. Brenny taking North Side. Ralph Schmidt-Dannert will take the Northeast side.

B. Water Quality monitoring (J. Meyer for Jeremy Alley) Two surveys were done in 2023 and results were posted on the DNR website for Kirby Lake.

C. Precipitation/lake level recording (Rubenzer) The lake is down 18" from its normal level.

D. Aeration system maintenance (Rubenzer)

E. Pumphouse, barriers & boat landing (J.Meyer/ Rubenzer) New uprights are half-submerged due to warm weather and open water.

F. Highway H cleanup (Oliver Crane) This 4-mile stretch means clean-up on both sides (8 miles total). Oliver may begin clean-up in March.

G. Website development and maintenance (J.Meyer) Joel updated the website. Using the Firefox browser helps us get into the system. Brenny will help post documents. **Facebook Kirby Lake Group:** Contact Steve Rubenzer to be part of this group.

H. Harvester operation, results, maintenance, repairs (Bill Lee/J.Meyer) The Water Gator is being stored by Bill and Lori Lee. The harvester will be stored on a boat lift that Bill Lee got. It will be at the Lees so that folks can use it when they get some helpers together. The old harvester pontoon is stored at Walls'. The motor for the old pontoon needs repair. Lori Lee will help coordinate recordkeeping for the harvester.

I. Clean Boats/Clean Waters inspections (Rubenzer) Arnie Scheels will do May and June; Ted Schoenhals will do July-Sept. Total of 220 hours are paid by grant.

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VII. Committee Reports continued

- J. Healthy Lakes/Education/Volunteer hours** (Brenny) Tyler Mesalk of WI DNR has offered to present a workshop on Aquatic Invasive Species on **Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Kirby Lake**. It is hoped that many interested Kirby Lakers will attend. A host property is needed for us to meet and have the on-land presentation and then proceed to volunteer pontoons for the lake tour of weeds. Contact Barb at brennybarb2@gmail.com to help plan this educational event or to volunteer your lot and pontoon.

2 new handouts are available: “*Landscaping Alternatives for Terrestrial Invasive Flowers and Grasses*” and “*Landscaping Alternatives for Common Invasive Wetland and Aquatic Plants.*” You may be able to see re-runs of the virtual presentations about Landscape Free Invasive Plants for gardening presented by Melinda Myers by contacting jeannes.scherer@wisconsin.gov

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Promotional clothing** (Rubenzer): Oliver Crane brought back-ordered items to the meeting.
B. Fundraising (J.Meyer) Perhaps we can set up a fundraiser at our annual picnic or other gatherings. Rubenzer offered to sell items on the Facebook page for anyone who wants to donate the proceeds to the KLMD savings fund for the replacement harvester.
C. Review of Board Duties and Responsibilities Chart (J.Meyer): Secretary to renew registration with the state; more investigation needed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Township News** (Jenkins) Road projects will be discussed after the road inspection survey
B. County News (Turcott) No report
C. Harvesting Permit: will be submitted this spring using the same numbers as last 2 years. Harvesting request forms will go out with the May meeting minutes and be coordinated by Brenny and Lori Lee.

X. CALENDAR UPDATE:

2024:

2nd Qtr Board of Commissioners: May 18, 2024, 9 a.m.

Annual Meeting: Saturday, July 13, 2024, 9 a.m.

Special Board Meeting to follow

Annual Picnic: Saturday, July 13, 2024, 4 p.m. Host family_____

- XI. **ADJOURNMENT:** G.Meyer motioned, Thompson seconded. Adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

*2020 APMP: 2020 Aquatic Plant Management Plan (posted on the website)