

BEAVER DAM LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 22, 2025 @ Noon
Cumberland City Hall
Cumberland, Wisconsin 54829

In attendance: Tom Schroeder – President, Alan Carlson MD – Treasurer, John Bavier – Secretary, John Peterson – Commissioner, Craig Turcott – Barron County Rep.
Absent: Tim Defoe - commissioner, Doris Laursen – Commissioner
Visitors present: Randy Reeg – City Administrator, Michael Benjamin, Bob Boehm, Tom Brandt

1. Call meeting to order at 11:58 a.m.
2. Approve Minutes from the April 15th and April 29, 2025 meetings.
 - a. April 15th minutes: Dr. Carlson made motion to accept, Craig Turcott seconded. Approved.
 - b. April 29th minutes: John Peterson made motion to accept, Craig Turcott seconded. Approved.
3. Recognition of visitors and visitor's comments:
 - a. Bob Boehm had several comments about shoreline loss over the years, and the need to be flexible with the solution. There are many different scenarios on Beaver Dam Lake, and each should be reviewed for an appropriate solution. On a different subject, Bob feels that rules on short-term rentals should not be a concern of BDLMD. He also stated that we need to publish the BDLMD meeting dates and times in advance. Unless directly told, individuals are not aware, especially when the next meeting is TBD. Bob had other notes, and Tom Schroeder asked him for a copy of his notes, so that each specific issue could be reviewed and responded to.
4. Discuss Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' partial denial and full denial of two District applications for chemical aquatic plant control permits to address Eurasian watermilfoil and other invasive species.
 - a. Discussion and action on a motion to adjourn to Closed Session under Wisconsin Statute Section [19.85\(1\)\(g\)](#) which allows a meeting to be closed to the public when a governmental body is conferring with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved, specifically to discuss strategy in contesting the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' partial denial and full denial of District applications for chemical aquatic plant control permits, Permit NO-2025-3-23075 and Permit NO-2025-3-23072.
 - b. Roll call vote: Motion by Craig Turcott, seconded by Dr. Carlson to go to closed session. Voting yes to go into Closed Session: include John Peterson, Craig Turcott, Tom Schroeder, Dr. Carlson, John Bavier.
 - c. Reconvene in Open Session: Motion by Craig Turcott, second by Dr. Carlson. Motion to go to open session approved.

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- d. Discussion and action on a motion to approve filing of Contested Case to Permit NO-2025-3-23075 and/or Permit NO-2025-3-23072:
 - i. Motion to approve filing a request for a contested case proceeding on Permit NO-2025-3-23075 in order to preserve the District's rights to contest, and to authorize the District's attorney and chair to continue discussions with DNR to settle the contest consistent with closed session discussion.
 - ii. Dr. Carlson made the motion, and Craig Turcott seconded. Approved.
- e. Discussion and action on a motion to delegate authority to District President (Chairperson) to represent the District and take such actions as reasonably necessary in any action contesting denials of Permit NO-2024-3-23075 and/or Permit NO-2025-3-23072. No motion was made to approve.
5. Approve Barr Engineering 2025/2026 invasive species consulting contract. Dr. Carlson made the motion to approve, Craig Turcott seconded. Approved.
6. Discuss the draft of the Beaver Dam Lake Management Plan and approve moving forward with regulatory requirements.
 - a. Dr. Carlson thinks the red line statements in the document are great.
 - b. Craig Turcott made the motion to approve the Plan and move forward with the remaining regulatory process for final approval. Dr. Carlson seconded. Approved.
7. Update on SE Storm Water Pond restoration, docks, etc.
 - a. Pember and Rockwell put in the 14 trees.
 - b. On the southwest pond, a couple of dead trees needed to be removed. Contacted Northwoods, and they quoted \$1500 to remove and pick up the brush. The funding for this work was approved at last year's annual meeting for pond maintenance.
 - c. Discussion on reusing City boat landing docks. The decision was made not to use the old City docks as they need many repairs which brought up liability issues. Ian Haugen is looking providing a quote for a dock and with a kayak/canoe dock area that attaches to the dock. A pontoon boat can dock on the other side. Estimated cost for this about \$4200.
8. Open discussion – no action to be taken by Board:
 - a. We need to have another meeting to draft out the budget for the coming year.
 - b. In 3-4 weeks, we will post notices for nomination of board members.
9. Set next meeting date and time: June 5th, at Noon at City Hall.
10. Adjourn: Craig Turcott made the motion, Dr. Carlson seconded. Adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Meeting Minutes by John Bavier, Secretary