

Rice Lake, Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District

P.O. Box 446

Rice Lake, WI 54868

Annual Meeting Minutes

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Rice Lake, Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District will hold its Annual Meeting of the electors at the Rice Lake Elks Lodge (Great Hall), 36 E. Eau Claire St., Rice Lake, WI 54868 on Wednesday, Oct 16, 2024, at 5:30 PM. This building is handicap accessible. Additional information can be obtained by calling 715-651-4679. (Quorums of Town and/or City of Rice Lake Governments may be present, but no actions will be taken.

- 1) Call meeting to order/Roll call of Lake District Officers: Josh Estreen, Chris Olsen, Bob Anderson, Don Putnam, Doug Edwardson, Christina Solie, Peter Gallagher, Randy Bina
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance:
- 3) Confirmation of postings by Secretary: Olsen – All postings sent and published
- 4) Public input (5-minute limit) NO ACTION CAN BE TAKEN. Myron Anderson-Concern of the river delta filling up.
- 5) Reading/Approve minutes of October 18, 2023., annual meeting MM/MS Anderson, Putnam: Approved
- 6) Annual report of the Treasurer: Summary of financials YTD of 2024 budget: MM/MS for approval Anderson, Bina: Approved
- 7) Chairperson and committee reports
 - a. Chairman's report – Estreen – Great team in place to manage the district.
 - b. Finance Committee-Putnam – All financials covered in Treasurers Report
 - c. Lake operations Committee-Bina – Due to mild winter, weeds, including invasives, were prominent soon after ice out. Recorded record amount of tonnage removed from lake. 3,050,000 lbs of weeds removed during harvesting season. New Inland Harvester began operations in spring 2024. Purchase approved at 2023 annual meeting. Advised on minimizing the spread of invasives in lake.
 - d. Consultant/Grants-Blumer – Hybrid Water Milfoil found in main basin in 4 areas during fall survey. South basin increased from 9.41 acres of HWM in 2023 to 21.62 acres in 2024. 400 hours of Clean Boats/Clean water completed at Stein and Veterans Landings.
 - e. Lake Protection/Water Quality Committee-Gallagher – Focus on runoff into the lake and mitigating pollutants entering the lake through rain gardens and native species planting that filter pollutants and the water from the watershed.
 - f. Inter-governmental-Edwardson – Introduction of Government representatives and they are the link to the other municipalities that the Lake District works with. Explanation of why the lake is drawn down and timeline each year.
 - g. Lake District Coordinator-Solie – Summary of last year's projects and presentations. Beach Walk, Arnolds Landing, Earth Day clean up. Several residents used the native plant reimbursement program.
- 8) Presentation and submission of the annual audit: Putnam - See attached

- 9) Review and consider approval of proposed 2025 budget - MM/MS from floor to approve 2025 budget. Approved
- 10) Consider approval of corresponding tax levy of 2025 budget – MM/MS from floor to approve the tax levy for 2025. Approved
- 11) Old business
- 12) New business
- 13) Nomination to fill Commissioner #1 seat, 2025-2029 Nomination for Don Putnam to fill Commissioner #1. MM/MS for unanimous consent on nomination: Approved
- 14) Guest Speaker: Anna DeMers - Tamarack Wetland Services LLC.
- 15) Next Annual Meeting Date / Time: Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2025, 5:30 PM
- 16) Adjourn meeting

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FY2022 Annual Budget		Budget	Proposed Budget
Revenue :		FY2024	FY2025
Account		2024 Budget	2025 Budget
6004	Reimbursement DNR Grants	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
6005	Interest Income	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
6006	Recreational Boating Facilities	\$ 42,000.00	\$ -
6008	CB-CW Grant	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
6009	Projected Carry overs (Equip. Purchase)	\$ -	\$ -
	Money Market Transfer (Equip. Purchase)	\$ -	\$ -
6012	other Income/rental income	\$ -	\$ -
6014	Computer Aid	\$ 750.00	\$ 800.00
	Sub-Total (Grant & Interest income)	\$ 71,000.00	\$ 34,050.00
	Total Expenses	\$ 288,800.00	\$ 291,800.00
	Levy Less Computer Aid/Interest/Grants	\$ 217,800.00	\$ 257,750.00
	Total Income/Budget	\$ 359,800.00	\$ 325,850.00

Expense:			
Account			
6110	Advertising/PR information	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
6115	Misc. Postage	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
6130	Insurance	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
6135	Office Supplies/Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
6140	LEAPS/Includes Lake Ed./Grants	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
6155	Accounting Fees	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
6156	Treasurer/Secretary/per diems	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
6157	Web Maintenance	\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00
6165	Lake Operations expense	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 27,500.00
6175	Rental	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
6180	Payroll Expense	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
6181	Lake District Coordinator	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
6182	CB-CW Coordinator/inspectors	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
6185	Capital Improvements/Loan retirement	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
6195	Chemical weed treatment	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
6200	Unemployment Expense	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
6214	Lake Management Plan Expense	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
6216	Lumbering Hall of Fame conservancy	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
6217	Shoreline Restoration Project Expense/maintainance (public property) Partnering	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
6219	Other Costs - Channel Marking, Etc.	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
6220	Travel, Out of Town Conference/connventions/mi	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
6224	Weed Control Permits Costs	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,000.00
6225	Utilities, Bundy, Nora/phone	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,300.00
6237	LD Coordinator Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
6305	SPONSORSHIPS/Memberships	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
	total:	\$ 288,800.00	\$ 304,300.00

Posted:

Chris Olsen, District Secretary

Don Putnam, District Treasurer