Rice Lake, Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District
P.O. Box 446
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Notice of Annual Meeting

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 21, 2026, 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: Commissioner Putnam __ Commissioner Edwardsen __ Commissioner Estreen __ Commissioner Olsen __ Commissioner Bina __ Barron County Rep Anderson __ City of Rice Lake Rep Pelle __
2) Pledge of Allegiance:
3) Confirmation of postings by Secretary:
4) Public input (5-minute limit) NO ACTION CAN BE TAKEN
5) Reading/Approve minutes of October 15, 2025, annual meeting
6) Annual report of the Treasurer: Putnam
7) Chairperson and committee reports
    a. Chairman's report - Estreen
    b. Finance Committee-Putnam
    c. Lake operations Committee-Bina
    d. Lake Protection/Water Quality Committee-Solie/Kettner
    e. Inter-governmental- Pelle/Anderson
    f. Lake District Coordinator-Solie
8) Presentation and submission of the annual audit: Putnam
9) Review and consider approval of proposed 2026 budget
10) Consider approval of corresponding tax levy of 2026 budget
11) Old business:
12) New business:
13) Guest Speaker: Mitch, Heidi, and Kayla Cole of Inland Lakes Harvesters
14) Next Annual Meeting Date / Time: Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2027, 5:30 PM
15) Adjourn meeting

Rice Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District			
FY2026 Annual Budget		Budget	Budget (Proposed)
Revenue:		FY 2026	FY 2027
Account		2026 Budget	2026 Budget
6004	**Reimbursement DNR Grants**	$20,000.00	$0
6005	**Interest Income**	$500.00	$500.00
6006	**Recreational Boating Facilities**	$37,000.00	$0
6008	**CB-CW Grant**	$8,000.00	$8,000.00
6012	**other Income/rental income**	$0	$0
6014	**Computer Aid**	$800.00	$800.00
	Sub-Total (Grant & Interest income)	$66,300.00	$9,300.00
	Total Expenses	$338,000.00	$331,450.00
	Levy Less Computer Aid/Interest/Grants	$271,700.00	$322,150.00
Expense:			
Account			
6105	**Bank Charges**	$0	$300.00
6110	**Advertising/PR information**	$3,000.00	$1,000.00
6115	**Misc. Postage**	$6,000.00	$8,000.00
6130	**Insurance**	$17,000.00	$17,000.00
6135	**Office Supplies/Equipment**	$1,000.00	$1,400.00
6140	**LEAPS/Includes Lake Ed./Grants**	$5,000.00	$5,000.00
6155	**Accounting Fees**	$2,500.00	$3,500.00
6156	**Treasurer/Secretary/per diems**	$9,000.00	$9,000.00
6157	**Web Maintenance**	$1,200.00	$750.00
6165	**Equipment repair expense**	$30,000.00	$25,000.00
6175	**Rental**	$5,000.00	$5,000.00
6180	**Payroll Expense**	$80,000.00	$70,000.00
6181	**Lake District Coordinator**	$40,000.00	$40,000.00
6182	**CB-CW Coordinator/inspectors**	$12,000.00	$12,000.00
6185	**Capital Improvements/Loan retirement**	$75,000.00	$75,000.00
6195	**Chemical weed treatment**	$30,000.00	$40,000.00
6200	**Unemployment Expense**	$3,000.00	$0
6214	**Lake Management Plan Expense**	$0	$0
6216	**Lumbering Hall of Fame conservancy**	$300.00	$500.00

6217	**Shoreline Restoration Project Expense/maintainance (public property) Partnering**	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
6219	**Other Costs - Channel Marking, Etc.**	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
6220	**Travel, Out of Town Conference/connventions/mi**	$500.00	$500.00
6224	**Weed Control Permits Costs**	$2,000.00	$2,000.00
6225	**Utilities, Bundy, Nora/phone**	$2,000.00	$2,000.00
6237	**LD Coordinator Expenses**	$1,000.00	$1,000.00
6305	**Sponsorships/Memberships**	$1,500.00	$1,500.00
	Total:	$338,000.00	$331,450.00

Submitted:

Christopher Olsen – District Secretary
Don Putnam – District Treasurer