

Minutes of the McDill Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Quarter 3 Meeting held at 6:00 PM on September 19, 2024 at Ben Franklin Junior High Library

Meeting called to order on 09/19/2024 at 6:02 p.m.

Board of Commissioners present: Krista Olson, Carl Rasmussen, Sheila Stanchik (interim secretary), Dustin Buse (appointed city representative), Suzanne Oehlke (county appointed representative)

Excused: Mike Phillips and Joe Senn

Previous meeting minutes: Correction of wording to Q2 2024 meeting minutes noted by Casey Schoettmer. Jim Stanchik moved to accept the reading of the previous minutes with corrections. The motion was seconded by Carl Rasmussen and approved by all lake district members present.

Introduction of Appointed County Representative

- Susanne Oehlke lives in Plover, Wisconsin and is our Portage County Representative, from District 17

Announcements:

- Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, October 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m at Ben Franklin Junior High Library
- Reminder to lake district members to tag dead trees for removal in the winter
- Reminder to trim branches above dock areas and remove logs in water for future weed harvesting, conversation was held for pulling logs from the water
- Reminder: Twice Only Fertilizer Restriction applies to all property owners
- Thank you to Jim Stanchik for helping to coordinate the the 2024 weed harvesting
- Butch Filtz will make repairs to our garbage truck
- The city forester has marked several trees for removal at Kozickowski Park due to oak wilt, Tracy Arnold added ash trees are also being cut
- Offices up for election - Secretary and President. Sheila Stanchik will step down as Interim Secretary, Casey Schoettmer will consider running for this position. Krista Olson will again be on the ballot for President. Residents were reminded the Treasurer position will be vacant next year; please consider filling this position. Carl Rasmussen will mentor the new Treasurer

MuckBiotics

- Successful results were reported in treated areas, upon discussion feedback was positive
- The district would hope to see expansion in the buying by the bag purchases
- Discussion was held considering MuckBiotics treatment in several different, targeted areas financed by the Lake District and completed by the harvesting crew
- No targeted area was agreed upon as MuckBiotic treatment was tabled until the 2025 budget is finalized

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- Other suggestions considered were; owners sampling soil before fertilizing, using less fertilizer on lawns
- Tracy Arnold offered information on soil sample bags and testing

Harvesting 2024 report and planning for 2025

The harvesting for 2024 went well except for a GPS unit issue. One unit was under warranty repair and was not returned until harvesting was completed for the summer. Questions arose asking if phones would serve the purpose better but Krista Olson and Jim Stanchik both spoke on the importance of painting on the maps and needing a larger visual. Ride alongs were encouraged for folks to see what harvesting entails.

- The new gas tank supply from FS in Wisconsin Rapids worked very well and a credit will be forwarded to the district
- Butch Filtz will overhaul the garbage truck this winter
- The district will ask the city to consider building a small storage shed at the harvester landing vs the present trailer, if not we may need to fundraise for a proper storage shed
- City Planning; the disc golf course will remain
- Mapping has been completed but not yet sent from TIGRIS

Treasurer Report 2024

Treasurer Carl Rasmussen reported the new fiscal year begins October 1st

See Treasurer's report for full and detailed information

2024

- There will be no close out of engineering cost as the DNR accepted the Michels Corp. report
- Depth mapping charge not paid
- Weed harvesting budget will have funds left over
- Maintenance less than budgeted
- Unexpected dam repairs

Budget Projections 2025

- The new assessment amount will increase by \$10.00 to \$410.00 per owner, a 2.5% increase
- Chemical treatments
- Increases needed for dam maintenance and repairs
- Increases needed for maintenance and equipment funds

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- Dredge loan non-negotiable
- Truck loan non-negotiable
- Changing interest rates

Krista Olson asked for any additional questions or comments

- Thank you to Carl Rasmussen for his hard work
- Suzanne Oehlke will share our information Portage County Lake Commissions
- Carl was asked to present bird house and shoreline information to those interested
- Volunteers for dock and trailer removal =Jim Stanchik and Mike Phillips

Next meeting; **Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 17th** 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Ben Franklin Jr. High library.

Quarter 4 Meeting; Thursday, December 5, 2024

Motion to adjourn Casey Shoettmer, seconded by Sheila Stanchik

Meeting adjourned 09/16/2024 at 7:22 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sheila Stanchik, Interim Secretary McDill Lake District.