

# October 10, 2019 6:00 p.m. LNNLRCD Meeting

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – Bill called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**Board Members Present** – Bill Winebaugh – President Jeff VanQuathem – Member at Large

Andy Warcaba Vice President Tyler VanKirk – Member at Large

**Board Members Absent** – Anthony O'Brien – Secretary

- **II. Motion to Approve the Agenda –** Andy motioned to approve the agenda and Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-01]
- III. Motion to Approve the 9/12/2019 Minutes Andy motioned to approve the 9/12/2019 minutes and Bill seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-02]
- IV. Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report Bill motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-03]

# V. Board Member Reports

- A. Bill Winebaugh 1. Joe Rush Lake Survey Bill contacted Joe Rush about performing a fish survey on the lake this year. Joe wants to try to do it before they draw the lake down in November.
  - **2. Fish Stocking –** After talking with Joe, Bill changed their fish order from 450 large-mouth bass to 337 small-mouth bass for about \$1 difference in total cost (small-mouth cost a little more).
  - 3. Rough Draft of Survey from Wes from POA Wes has a rough draft of a proposed survey from the POA that he'd like the RCD board to review. Bill said that he will have send a copy to Becky to forward to the board so that they (the board) can give their feedback. Wes said that it has to pass muster w/ the POA still as it is going to incur some extra mailing costs. Wes asked that the RCD board add anything else that they want that would pertain to the RCD. Bill said to bear in mind that some of the things in the survey are a wish-list and would not be feasible but they'd like to see how the community feels about it.
- B. Andy Warcaba 1. MOU to POA Andy prepared an MOU based on what the board discussed last month with POA board members that were present. Andy had the RCD's attorney look over the document and his response was, in terms of "Here is our goal, here is an initial document without commitments," was that it looked pretty good. Andy motioned to send an MOU to Wes Jaros and the POA board members that were in attendance at the September 2019 meeting and Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-04]
  - **2. Temporary Access Permission Letter Status –** Andy said that the RCD has signed letters from the POA, township, and Franklin Grove Fire Dept. Joe Rush is working with Jeremy Ciesiel from the highway department the RCD will fill out the highway department's

own permit rather than an access permission letter as the permit would be required anyway and the letter would be redundant. Andy said that the main questions that Jeremy had pertained to timing of the project such as when the project would commence and when it would be done. The permit won't have to be issued until they are closer to actually starting something and going forward Jeremy doesn't see any problems with it. Becky added that Jeremy wanted to ensure that the highway department had input on the engineering process to make sure that it wasn't something that contradicted what they do with the roads. Andy said that he and Becky are working with Bill Kleiman of the Nature Conservancy District/Nachusa Grasslands. They are working on a Temporary Drainage License document that the Nature Conservancy's district drew up and Andy had the RCD's attorney look at it as well. Andy said that Bill Kleiman told him he doesn't see any problems with it, that his attorney is just trying to cover the conservancy's interests. Bill asked for a copy of the document as he has not seen any of it.

# C. Anthony O'Brien - no report

- D. Jeff VanQuathem 1. IALC Membership Jeff said that Becky and he made contact with IALC and one of their board members sent him information on membership, they are most likely looking at a non-voting associate membership. He gave Jeff some good feedback on their dredging programs. Jeff said that none of them have done any financing to pay for their dredging; rather they have done special assessments when they needed to or they had reserves that they could pay for it (with). Bill asked Jeff what his thoughts were and Jeff said that they were last an associate member around 2013. The cost for the different levels of membership are as follows: \$1,000 - large scale association (1,001 units +); \$400 - small scale association (1,000 or less units); \$125; - associate member (non-voting). Jeff said that when they were associate members in the past it didn't sound like they got a lot out of it other than a few contacts here and there. Becky said that she went to a couple of meetings hosted at different lake communities and there is some pertinent information on topics such as dredging where they may have meetings geared toward that; however, they also had information geared toward associations and topics that they would cover such as dues and assessments, lot size, etc. She thought it may be worthwhile for them to sign up for an association membership for a year and see if it does help them; the key to that would be whether there would be a board member that would be willing and able to go to those meetings. The meetings take place every other month and Jeff said that it could be an hour to 1 ½ hour drive to attend some of these meetings. Becky added if a board member did go, they would get reimbursed for mileage. Andy asked if the POA used to be a member and Becky said sometimes both the RCD and POA would be members and sometimes one or the other would be. Becky said she didn't know if the POA was currently a member and Wes said no and suggested that the POA could sign up with the RCD splitting the cost and each board having members attend. Becky asked which type of membership the POA would want (non-voting associate member vs. voting association member) and Wes said he would need more info to bring back to the POA board – Jeff said he will forward the info to Wes.
  - **2. Research on financing Dredging -** Jeff said that he would like to sit down with Midland States Bank and find out what their options are.

**E. Tyler VanKirk** – Tyler said that the hunting program is going good so far. Some of the hunters are set up at the back of the campground and some are using the property on the other side of the creek.

## VI. New Business

A. Consideration and action to authorize the RCD Board President to cast a ballot on behalf of the Lost Lake RCD, as a member of the Property Owners Association, on the Proposed 2020 ULLPOA Budget and Board Member Election (Votes to be Tallied at Open Meeting) – Andy motioned to approve the POA's 2020 budget Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-05] and Andy motioned to approve the following candidates for the 2019 POA board member election: Scott Johnson, Doug Jones, Kim Rogers, and Ed Workman. Bill seconded the motion and the board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-06]

- **B.** Date to Lower Lake (Around 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Nov.) Becky texted Ken Oltmanns to find out if he was available to remove a layer of boards at the dam the first week of November and he texted yes, he thinks so. Shawn said that Ken told him that he was short a man to do the job and asked if Shawn would help. (Shawn thinks that is why he said he thought so because he wanted to make sure he had enough people). Shawn will help out. Bill asked if Shawn would be working for Ken or working for the RCD and Shawn said that (for insurance purposes) he would be working as an employee of the RCD while helping Ken. Andy motioned that the RCD lower the lake the first week of November and Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-07 Bill asked Becky to put something out to the boat owners and Becky said that she already contacted the dock renters and she will put something on the RCD website, send a mass email to RCD contacts, put something in the kiosks, and post on Facebook. She said she didn't know if he wanted to put something on Next Door or not and Bill said that he can.
- **C. Select Silt Basin Engineer –** Andy motioned to select Wendler Engineering to engage in contract negotiations for engineering a silt basin on the 22.26-acre site north of Flagg Rd and Jeff seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-08]
- **D. Updated LCC Rental Form & Rates for 2020 –** Becky is in the process of updating the LCC rental form to present to the board at next month's meeting for their approval. Bill said that the update would include an increase in the rental fee from \$80 to \$100 for a 4-hour rental. Bill said that the last time that the rates were adjusted was in 2015 and \$100 for a 4-hour rental of a facility of this size is very reasonable.

## VII. Old Business - no old business

## VIII. Guest Comments

A. Wes Jaros – Wes said he has a broker from Chicago who handled the bonds for the LLUD and if Jeff would like his information to at least get some info on how the process works, he can give that to him and Jeff agreed. Wes asked why the meeting starts at 6:00 (the dinner hour) rather than 7:00 p.m. and Bill said it was chosen to start at 6:00 to meet the needs of the board member's schedule as a meeting running from 7:00-9:00 was too late for some of the board members. Bill said they tried Saturday mornings for a while but that interfered with weekend schedules.

- **B. Norm Eakley –** Norm asked if they got anymore beaver and Shawn said that they have caught two so far. Becky said that the permit will be done at the end of October and she asked Shawn to let her know if they'll need another permit once that one has expired. He said he would let her know after he talks to Mark (the trapper). There is another tree caught on Norm's property and Bill asked if he needed Shawn's help and Norm said he will see.
- **C. Wes** said that there is a log that he can't remove from the middle of the lake and he asked if they will be removed and Shawn said that they are too waterlogged to be moved. Discussion ensued.
- **D. Shawn Parish** Docks will be pulled and Jeff will help drive posts in on the LCC dock.
- **E. Jeff VanQuathem** someone asked Jeff about shooting that was going on at the Orland property and whether anything could be done and Jeff asked Bill. Bill said that they don't belong to the POA so they can legally shoot on their property there is nothing the POA or RCD can do.
- **IX. Motion to Adjourn:** Jeff motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. and Bill seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [10-19-09]

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