

Crescent Lake District

Regular Commissioners Meeting – 03/20/24

A Regular Meeting for the Crescent Lake District (CLD) Commissioners was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting notices were posted as required. Zoom attendance included Commissioners Tim Kilgore, Jim Solinsky, Dave Schwanz, Robb Jensen, Maria Rudesill and member of the public, Terry Goldbach (CLD AIS Response Team Coordinator).

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dave, Robb seconded, motion PASSED.

Motion to approve the minutes from January 4, 2024 was made by Dave, Robb seconded, motion PASSED.

Motion to approve the minutes from March 9, 2024 was made by Robb, Dave seconded, motion PASSED.

There were no Public Comments.

There were no Chairperson Comments.

Tim welcomed Jim Solinsky to the meeting as our new Commissioner and Treasurer. The transfer of information has been made from Jim Ketterson to Jim Solinsky. Discussion turned to who would handle the current and upcoming grants. Jim Solinsky declined taking on the grant process right now as he would like to get the 2023 financials wrapped up and focus on the tasks related to his office. Tim agreed to reach out to Ryan Peterson to follow up on his interest in assisting with grant writing, and will connect Ryan with Jim S to transfer any documents, etc. Terry mentioned that Whitewater can do grants, but they do charge. Tim said that he would reach out to Ryan first.

We had a balance of \$157,911.92 at the end of February, with a current balance of \$157,907.92. Jim indicated that his reports will always show the end of the previous month, with a verbal report of the current balance during the meeting. He has activated the digital banking option at Associated Bank and that will remove Statement Fees. He has online access and will send Tim the password as well. Jim is working on reconciling 2023 financials and will reach out to Tracy Hartman regarding the annual audit.

Robb reported on a few items on the County level, including the Wake Boat Resolution, which is on its way to the legislature. The current recommended limits are that boats can only operate 500 feet from shore and in water at least 20 feet deep. The purpose of the resolution is to encourage the legislature to engage in meaningful discussion in Madison. It will be January before anything happens.

There have been no responses on the CBCW Coordinator position. The County recommended that Dave connect with Nicolet College, but he has had no call back. Dave will move forward with placing a Help Wanted Ad in the local papers while Maria will post an ad on Indeed for the position which runs Memorial Day – Labor Day, average of 10 hours / week @ \$15.00/hour. Robb also recommended reaching out to UWSP in the Department of Natural Resources. A motion was made to fund an Indeed ad and Help Wanted ad with a budget of \$200.00 by Tim and seconded by Jim S. The motion PASSED.

After much discussion on the state of the DNR discussions and likelihood of an approved permit for chemical treatment, it was decided to postpone the permit application until late May after a plant survey

so that we can demonstrate the true need for treatment. It is believed that the plant survey map in August 2023 shows the wrong density as it is after DASH treatments. If we wait until after the May plant survey, the true density can be determined and the permit application made with that information. If approved, that would move treatment to late June. The goal is to get the best possible outcome for the lake owners / tax payers, with the realization that DASH doesn't make a impact in high density areas.

This will be reported to the lake owners via a spring letter. Tim will write the rough draft. Dave reminded the group that, if we are denied a permit again, we do have the ability to pursue legal avenues.

There are two parties interested in purchasing the DASH Boat. The conversation will continue in mid-April.

The next meeting will be scheduled in May, once Terry has received the plant survey results.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave, seconded by Tim. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Submitted by Maria Rudesill, CLD Secretary (03/25/24)