

SPOONER LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Spooner Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District (Spooner Lake District) Board held a meeting at the Spooner Town Hall, N6124 Blooming Vale Road, Spooner, at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Mort Dahl, Ed Fischer, Nancy Hanson, and Jay Nordstrom.

Absent: Commissioner Bill DuCharme.

Chairman Nordstrom presided.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Nordstrom led the pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON NOVEMBER 9, 2019

Commissioner Dahl moved to approve the meeting minutes of November 9, 2019. Commissioner Fischer seconded. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner DuCharme absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Hanson presented and highlighted the Treasurer's Report 2019 and 2020 showing the Book Balance as of October 10, 2019. Commissioner Fischer moved to receive the Treasurer's Report 2019 and 2020, subject to audit. Commissioner Nordstrom seconded. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner DuCharme absent.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement for Clerk

Commissioner Nordstrom introduced Louise Kolthoff to be contracted for clerk position to record meeting minutes among other assistive duties. Contract was signed for independent contractor agreement. Commissioner Fischer made a motion to approve the contact. Commissioner Dahl Seconded. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner DuCharme absent.

2. Status of Dam Changes to Allow Greater Water Volume

Michael Plisky presented updates on the Spooner Lake dam status. Washburn County owns the dam on Spooner Lake. Engineers have calculated how to get a little over a foot drawdown without adversely affecting the integrity of the dam. Cost and who is responsible to pay for the changes to the dam is to be determined. It currently only allows up to 8 inches of water removal. Changes would allow an additional 6 inches. The county is ultimately the determiner on what changes will be made and if the changes will occur.

3. Annual One-Foot Drawdown

Michael Plisky stated approval for the annual one-foot drawdown waiting to be approved by county dam committee. Approval will be made once they determine any dam modifications. DNR has no issue with the one-foot draw down. The town of Spooner has also sent a letter of support for the drawdown which has been submitted to county.

Dam is actually a spillway which allows rising water levels to be slowed down instead of being able to completely drain the lake.

4. Clean Boats Clean Waters Update

Commissioner Dahl introduced Hunter Denison who was contracted to run the Clean Boats Clean Waters program in 2019. He stated the program is working well and the only issues presented were relations with volunteers when they collect the launch fee at the boat landing. The launch fee tends to overshadow the purpose of the volunteers presenting the educational information to boaters. Commissioner Dahl made a motion to approve Hunter's contract for the 2020 season. Commissioner Fischer second. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner DuCharme absent.

No zebra mussels found in Spooner Lake in 2019.

5. Update on Curly Leaf Pondweed and Nuisance Weeds

Commissioner Nordstrom is in the process of solidifying weed control contracts. Steve Schiffer has submitted his contract to Commissioner Nordstrom. Jim Bartlet is in the process of completing his contract.

6. Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Fischer requested addition of phosphorous informational article and approval of Wisconsin Northwest Lakes conference fee reimbursements to be added to next meeting's agenda.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

There were no Commissioner communications on business items other than scheduled agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications by members of the public on business items other than scheduled agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dahl adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Second by Commissioner Hanson.

Next meeting will be April 4, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

MORTON DAHL
Secretary