

Lost Lake Preservation & Rehabilitation District
Board of Commissioners First Quarter Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2016

1. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ulett at 7:01pm.
2. Roll Call:
 - Present: Commissioners Ulett, Heeler, Anderson, and Rameker.
 - Absent: Commissioners Southwick, Truppe, and Hennes
 - Also Present: Catherine Higley, Invasive Species Coordinator; Vilas County
3. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Heeler to approve the Minutes of the October 23, 2015 Meeting. The Motion was approved unanimously.
4. Treasurer's Report: In the absence of Commissioner Truppe, Commissioner Heeler presented the attached Treasurer's Report on behalf of the Treasurer. It was noted that we had not yet received any funds from the Town of St. Germain based on the tax assessments in the 2015 real estate tax bills. The first half is expected any day. It was also noted by Commissioner Heeler that the LLP&RD owes the Lost Lake Community Club (LLCC) approximately \$6,000.00 that the LLP&RD borrowed from the LLCC. This should be paid back this spring. He also stated that the LLP&RD owes the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh \$3,020 for the CBCW (Clean Boats Clean Water) project for 2016. We will be refunded these funds upon completion of our matching volunteer time at the end of the boating season.
5. A motion was made by Commissioner Rameker, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to pay the Sayner/St. Germain Wildlife Club \$1,000 toward our escrow account for lake improvements. This is an annual payment. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Discussion was held on various matters affecting Lost Lake:
 - A. Commissioner Ulett stated that the Board had previously approved the 2016 CBCW grant and it has been processed. He also thanked Commissioner Heeler for his work on the CBCW project in 2015 stating that we reached our goal of volunteer time. Catherine Higley stated that she could set up a separate training session on CBCW for district members if that is desired.
 - B. The 2016 Early Detection and Removal grant (EDR) for CLP has been submitted. Commissioner Ulett worked with Onterra to get this grant application completed and submitted in January, 2016.

- C. Commissioner Ulett worked with Onterra to get the Lake Planning Grant submitted so as to get the LLP&RD in line for future grants. To do a Lake Planning Study (LPS) by Onterra, it would cost \$40,000, of which we requested a DNR grant to cover \$30,000 of this cost. We also need the LPS submitted in order to get a permit to use any herbicides in the future, if and when we decide to use herbicides.
- D. Commissioner Ulett stated that he sent out the 2015 Onterra report on CLP/EWM/AIS. Onterra says continued hand harvesting should be considered, but that an herbicide application may be the only method to reduce the CLP/EWM/AIS population.
7. Member Concerns/Comments: Commissioner Anderson suggested we consider a newsletter explaining why the tax levy was being increased, what the status is of controlling/eliminating CLP/EWM/AIS, and other concerns. Others noted that this can and is normally handled through the LLCC emails and newsletters, and it could be an insert to the notice of our annual meeting. Catherine Higley stated that the WI Lakes Commissioners Annual Convention is the last week in March in Stevens Point. She also stated that the DNR is rewriting their codes for grants. They are asking for citizen input, to which Commissioner Ulett responded that the state should have a non-competitive grant available for lakes finishing their EDR grant so that more state money is available to fight AIS problems. Catherine also said she was working with Land O' Lakes in combating purple loosestrife.
8. Next Meeting: Monday, May 30, 2016 (Memorial Day) at 7:00 pm at the St. Germain Community Center.
9. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.



William . Rameker, Secretary