

**LOWER SPRING LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT**  
**MINUTES**  
**July 24, 2021**

Meeting was called to order by L. Plennes, President at 10:00.

A thank you to Mike Temple for leading the July 4<sup>th</sup> boat parade and also providing entertainment.

A warm welcome to the new members of the Lake District:

Trey & Jestine Richmond, Erica Reardon and Kaytee Sweda

There was one spelling error that was corrected on the April 17, 2021 minutes. Motion to approve by D. Bartolerio and second' by W. Christensen.

**Treasurers Report**

D. Bartolerio reported the checking balance to be \$8,928.29 and the savings balance to be \$42,396.16. She noted that the village was a little behind in billing for labor/gas costs for harvester cutting, we had lower than expected costs with the chemical application fees and pier installation. Harvester repairs were less than expected as were administrative fees. All in all she felt we were in good shape budget wise.

**Chemical Treatment Report**

C. & J. Dixon submitted the chemical treatment application on 4/20/2021. Nine acres were requested. Chemical treatment was applied to finger bay and shoreline in late May. Discussion took place regarding treatment of the Omdoll property and the public beach area to possibly be included in chemical treatment in the future. Additional discussions at future meetings.

It was noted that our DNR Representative, Susan Graham has now retired. A new member from Waukesha County has been appointed to oversee our lake. She was unavailable for this meeting but will be notified of future meeting dates.

L. Plennes noted that the drawdown will not happen this winter. The DNR was not available to manage the process properly, and the village would have had to quickly apply for the dredging permit. We will address it next year as we have more time to prepare.

**Water Quality**

G. Smith noted that he checks various chemicals in the water several times a week. He noted that the clarity of the water is great despite the weed growth. He did note that weeds do have a purpose and eat the bad bacteria. He was thanked for his dedication and hope he will continue with water quality testing.

**Clean Boat Clean Water**

P. Zimmerman noted that there has been little to no interest in the Clean Boat Clean Water program. She stated there is a grant available and has contacted Blue Spring Lake to see if they would have any interest in sharing the grant responsibilities for the upcoming boating season. They did not think they would be

interested but would get back to her. After further discussion, it was agreed to suspend the clean boat clean water project for the time being.

P. Zimmerman was thanked for her work on this project.

### **Geese Deprivation Report**

There have been two families of geese on the lake this summer. The family of 4 has now left.

D. & J. Bartolerio as well as P. Walker have volunteered to assist the Alveshires in their efforts to eradicate geese on the lake.

### **Weed Harvesting**

L. Plennes reported that the harvester was out in record time in May. To date we have had 429 machine loads of weeds and 110 truckloads. The bottom cutter bar of the harvester is in need of modification – cost is approx. \$1700. Also, a washdown pump is recommended at a cost of \$1500. Both of these items could be included in the budget for next year. Inland also suggested painting the harvester to extend the life. L. Plennes will acquire estimates.

The no-wake ordinance was discussed. Please adhere to the times. New signs have been posted at the boat launch for visitors to the lake.

The weed truck has had multiple repairs and is in need of additional repairs. Bruce and P. Walker will compile a list of repairs and have an estimate at the next meeting.

### **Miscellaneous**

A garbage receptacle was suggested at the boat launch for visitor garbage. L. Plennes will inquire about cost and who is responsible for emptying.

W. Christensen mentioned that elected officer positions should be voted on at annual meetings. The Board position for secretary has expired and will need to be filled. A vote will be held at the Annual meeting in August. Anyone interested in this position please contact one of the board members.

### **Picnic/Annual Meeting**

C. Dixon volunteered to organize the Lake District Picnic. This will be held on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 at the Beach Shelter. This will serve as our Annual Meeting.

D. Bartolerio motioned to adjourn the meeting second' by W. Christensen.

Meeting adjourned at 11:53