



## LAC LA BELLE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Commissioners Meeting

**THURSDAY, April 21, 2022– 7:00 P.M.**

### **Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall**

6812 Brown Street

Oconomowoc, WI 53066

*“The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac La Belle for today and tomorrow.”*

### **Minutes**

#### 1. Call to Order

B. Nattinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

#### 2. Roll Call of Commissioners

##### Present

Bruce Nattinger

Terry Largent

Jeff Bode

Ernie Bollinger

Karen Carr

Jim Groose (present by telephone)

##### Absent

Dave Zimmerman

#### 3. Comments from the Floor

None

#### 4. Correspondence

- 3/29/22 to 4/4/22 Emails with Aldermen Kowieski & Schellpeper regarding concerns about wake surfing.

- 3/31/22 to 4/11/22 Emails with riparian Chambas regarding lake quality study updates/progress.

#### 5. Approval of March 17, 2021, LLBMD Meeting Minutes

**J. Bode moved to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2022 LLBMD Meeting as presented. E. Bollinger seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### 6. Discuss & Act On West Wisconsin Avenue Dam Grates (Bollinger/Bode)

E. Bollinger indicated that there have been no meetings on the issue since the March 17th LLBMD meeting. If the proposed resolution is approved this evening, he plans to reach

out to the City tomorrow to get the ball rolling. It is believed that the City will handle contracting & permits as well as project oversight & traffic logistics.

J. Bode has submitted a grant application to WCCA for potential assistance with funding. He also attended their meeting last night to present the project and answer any questions. There may also be funding available from the DNR based on funds that were budgeted for maintenance for the electric dam that is no longer in place.

**E. Bollinger motioned to approve the following resolution drafted by J. Bode.**

*Whereas the Lac La Belle Management District (Lake District) was established to preserve the water quality and fish and aquatic life of Lac La Belle. A goal of our lake protection plan is to control rough fish to improve water quality and restore a healthy fish and aquatic life community.*

*Whereas Lac La Belle (Lake) has a history of rough fish (carp) adversely affecting lake water quality and a healthy fish and aquatic life community. Carp are known to move upstream especially in the Spring from the Rock River into the Lake.*

*Whereas the Lake District in cooperation with the WI DNR, local municipalities and fishing interests installed fish barriers downstream on the Oconomowoc River to prevent upstream migration and conducted significant in-lake management to control the carp population in the Lake.*

*Whereas downstream barriers were recently removed because of safety and maintenance issues leaving the Lake vulnerable to upstream migration of carp and making in-lake management efforts much less effective.*

*Therefore the Lake District will commit to funding a project as approved by the WI DNR to be conducted by the City of Oconomowoc to reinstall grates as a carp barrier on the Lake's downstream dam in the Spring of 2022. The Lake District's total commitment will not exceed \$30,000.*

*Furthermore the Lake District will support efforts by the City to seek project cost share funding from the City of Oconomowoc, Town of Oconomowoc and Village of Lac La Belle as has been done in the past. The Lake District will actively seek other sources of funding from the state and county for the project.*

**Motion was seconded by K. Carr. There was no further discussion. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with unanimous consent.**

7. Discuss Aquatic Vegetation Plan (Nattinger)

Discussion took place regarding the great quality of the plan that is in place and the possible lack of awareness of its existence amongst the electors. Commissioners note that a greater effort should be made to inform the electors of current and future projects to increase awareness and education.

8. Discuss & Act On Lake Levels Posting to Website (Zimmerman)

The Commissioners agree that the information on the lake levels is used for the public for many different reasons and that keeping the postings current is important. K. Depies will work with Paragon Development to keep the website postings current on a bi-weekly basis.

9. Discuss & Act on Board Insurance Renewal (Goose)

J. Goose presented the renewal policy, which was a continuation of the current coverage with the addition of cyber liability at an overall premium increase of 2%.

**E. Bollinger moved to accept the policy renewal as presented. T. Largent seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

Moving forward, insurance renewals will be approved by the Treasurer as long as the coverage remains the same and the premium amount falls within the budgeted amount.

10. Discuss & Act On 2022 Newsletter (Nattinger/Depies)

2022 Newsletter was presented to the commissioners for review and revision. Edits will be made prior to distribution - which will happen as soon as the requested mailing lists are received from the County.

11. Discuss & Act on Annual Meeting Date

**J. Bode moved to schedule the 2022 Annual Meeting for September 1, 2022 at 7:00pm. E. Bollinger seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

12. Discuss Revisions to Agenda Items For Next Regular Meeting – May 19, 2022 @ 7PM

- Discuss & Act on Future Land For Sale / Lac La Belle (Nattinger)
- Discuss & Act on Dam Grates Progress & Funding (Bollinger/Bode)
- Discuss & Act on DNR/Commercial Fishing Contract (Bollinger)
- Discuss & Act on Lac La Belle Creek Restoration Project At The Club At Lac La Belle / Targeted Runoff Management Grant (Bode)
- Discuss & Act on 2022 Grants – Clean Boats, Clean Waters Grant, Lake Planning Grant (Bode)
- Discuss & Act on Educational Activities Related To Wave Effects On Area Lakes (Bollinger)
- Discuss & Act on Aquatic Vegetation Plan (Nattinger)

- Discuss & Act on Goose Roundup (Carr)
- Discuss City of Oconomowoc Boat Launch Upgrade (Nattinger)

13. Adjournment

**K. Carr moved to adjourn the April 21, 2022, Lac La Belle Management District meeting at 8:17PM. T. Largent seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes prepared by:

*Kristine Depies*  
Recording Secretary