

Eagle Spring Lake Management District  
Regular Meeting  
April 20, 2021

**Approved Minutes**

Peter Jensen, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District (ESLMD) to order at 8:30pm. Other Commissioners in attendance were Tom Casey, Tom Day, John Mann, Nancy Wilhelm, Town of Eagle Representative Don Malek, and Waukesha County Representative Chris Mommaerts. Also present, Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant Gina Krause, and three other lake residents.

**Approval of Minutes** – T. Day made a **Motion** to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting as written, seconded by D. Malek; motion carried.

**Announcements and Upcoming Meetings**

- P. Jensen and N. Wilhelm attended the Association of State Dam Safety Officials Webinar on Inlet & Outlet Hydraulics for Spillways and Outlet Structures.
- P. Jensen attended the 1<sup>st</sup> of a series of webinars being given that is designed for members of lake associations and lake districts or folks who are thinking about becoming a member or forming one of these groups. Future webinars will be:
  - \* April 22 on Commissioner Training.
  - \* April 29 on Annual Meeting during Covid.
  - \* May 6 on Liability and Insurance.
  - \* May 13 on Lake District Treasurer.
  - \* May 20 on Local Boating Enforcement Grants.
  - \* May 27 on Lake Association Capacity Training.
  - \* June 3 on Electronic Communications, Websites, and LakeKit.
  - \* June 10 on Regulating Recreation on Lakes.

All of the commissioners were encouraged to take these. All the above webinars are being offered free of charge.

- The next Town of Eagle meeting will take place on April 21, 2021.

**Public Comment** – There was no public comment.

**Old Business:**

**Weed Harvesting/Collecting/Chemical Treatment**

**Aquatic Plant Survey** - T. Day commented that the plant surveying will start approximately in July/August.

**Conveyor and Harvester Launching for 2021 Update** - The harvester and shore conveyor are all set up and ready to go. T. Day plans to be on the harvester on April 23 to start assessing the shorelines.

The seat on the harvester has been repaired.

A new cartridge has been installed in the life jacket, and a new seat cover has been purchased.

**Harvesting Operator's Update** - T. Day, T. Casey, and possibly J. Mann will start interviews with new prospective operators on April 22, 2021.

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**Carp Initiative/Fisheries Issues** – T. Day reported he has observed (in the dumpster) a count of 14 carp being captured.

**Clean Boats/Clean Waters Program**

**Staffing and Setup** - A few applications have been requested. We are anticipating to start staffing the public boat launch on May 1<sup>st</sup>. We are well stock with Covid-19 protection equipment (masks, hand sanitizer, gloves, etc.).

**Weather Station and Website** – The weather station rainfall sensor has sustained damage from a bullet and is in for repair. The main weather station remains working. Some of the temperature sensors have been returned. However, a few remaining sensors will be installed in various areas of Mukwonago River/lake and where we are currently using the data from these to assist with chemical treatments.

**Wambold Dam/Kroll Outlet Issues**

**Review/Approval of Project Management Bids** - P. Jensen summarized various contractors' response to our solicitation of bids. Due to a mailing address error, Jeff Burton Group called after the Friday deadline to inform us that their proposal was returned to them (by US Postal Service) and it could not make it to us in time. They were told to Fed Ex us overnight and the Board would look at their bid with the others tonight. There was no receipt of anything from the Burton Group by this meeting. There was only 1 proposal received and that was Collins Engineering at the cost of approximately \$50,000 (After meeting calculation came to an approximate total of \$40,077. T. Day expressed his opinion that he felt the Collins proposal was more extensive than what we need and the \$50,000 was excessive of what we should be spending. P. Jensen stated that project engineering is coming in at approximately 11%, and was not out of line when compared to other government projects.

T. Day recommended that the Board should discuss the structural support of the floor options of what we would like to use the floor in the building for and requested it to be an agenda item for the next meeting in May.

P. Jensen made a **Motion** to accept/approve the proposal package from Collins Engineering; second by N. Wilhelm, and roll call vote was requested. Motion carried with votes as follows: Nancy Wilhelm – Yes, Tom Casey – Yes, Tom Day – No, John Mann – Yes, Don Malek – Yes, Chris Mommaerts – Yes, Peter Jensen – Yes.

**Construction Permits Status and Update** – P. Jensen commented that the new plans will have to go to the DNR when completed and we have been promised a speedy turnaround. The floodplain permit applications have been submitted to Waukesha County and once they get an approval from the DNR things should move along quickly.

**Construction Loan Update** – There was no update. T. Day requested a per \$1000 in assessed value for the loan.

**Muskrat Control Update** – The existing muskrat traps have been sabotaged. Now that it has warmed up there will be more food sources available and we may not see the numbers we use to see.

**Recruitment of Deputy Dam Operators** – Solicitation for Deputy Dam Operators was in the April Newsletter.

**Collins Engineering Report** – The Board was presented the dam inspection report. The final dam inspection order from the DNR has not been received as of this meeting.

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**MSOE Engineering Students Return for Flow Studies** – Students from Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE) did visit our lake. MSOE is going to try to make a HEC RAS model on a projected dam failure mode. The students will be installing the micro turbine for their use at Wambold.

**Septic Pumping Issues – Contract with Waukesha County for Septic Report** – C. Mommaerts reported that pretty lake also has residents who have not pumped in 10 years. It appears that it is not just our lake that is experiencing issues with no compliance of septic systems. C. Mommaerts continues to pursue an acceptable solution to this problem. If these failed systems cause contamination to the groundwater or E.coli issues; then what?

**Parking Along County Road E Update** – C. Mommaerts reported that due to safety concerns, the request for additional no parking signs on CTH E is being processed for approval/installation.

**Culvert Crossing Guardrail Update** – There were no updates.

**Status of Succession Planning/Back up Positions** – There were no updates.

**Proposed Workload Distribution Discussion – Discussion of Duties & Responsibilities** – There were no updates.

**Legislative Update** – There were no updates.

**Fireworks Update** – We are in need of someone to volunteer to be the escort boat/host for the pyrotechnicians on the night of the fireworks (June 26).

In addition, we also need volunteers to help with the cleaning of the barges after the firework show.

#### **Water Patrol**

**Boat Status** - A new battery has been installed in the patrol boat. A special thank you was given to T. Day for his assistance in getting the patrol boat in the water.

**Modified Conditional Use Permit Update** – P. Jensen reported that Waukesha Parks and Land Use recommended approval of the modification earlier this month, with a few conditions. The request will now go before the County Park and Planning Commission on May 20<sup>th</sup> for final approval. The main modification was just to allow the truck on the property year-round, rather than just during the harvesting season.

**Truck Repair Update** – T. Day reported that he has taken the truck in and the side board brackets have been installed.

**Other** – A big special thank you to Chad Ostaszewski who did the initial installation of the buoys into the water. Within the next several weeks the placement of the buoys will be tweaked to make sure they are placed as approved by DNR.

#### **New Business**

##### **Annual Meeting Preparations**

**Budget Timeline** – N. Wilhelm (with Gina's assistance) is going to put together the budget for the Annual Meeting.

**Newsletter timeline** – Gina will prepare the draft July (Annual meeting) newsletter and have the newsletter with the budget ready for Board approval in June. The Board briefly discussed advertising in our newsletter in order to help cover the costs. If decided upon, for starters we will most likely do mostly business card sized (2.25"x3.5") advertising.

**Application for ISSN (International Standard Serial Number) Status** – P. Jensen will apply for and use this number as needed for assisted newsletter funding.

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**Job Description for Board and Officers** – P. Jensen presented to the Board a draft job description for board members. The board is asked to review them and bring comments/discussion back to the next meeting.

**Training Courses Available for Board and Staff** – T. Day announced Aquarius Systems is having their weed harvesting seminar on May 21, 2021. This may be useful for our current/new harvesting operators. P. Jensen made a **Motion** to approve the District will pay the registration \$55/person for up to 3 persons to attend the seminar; second by J. Mann, motion carried.

**Additional Credit Card Authorizations for Fuel and Oil** – Who has which credit/debit cards was briefly reviewed.

**Resolution 2021-01 – Prosecution of Violations** – P. Jensen presented a resolution to make it policy for the Lake District to prosecute to the fullest extent any and all persons and entities that trespass, damage, destroy, tamper, vandalize, break in, steal or otherwise violate the rights and responsibilities and authorities of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District under Federal, State, or local laws and ordinances. T. Casey made **Motion** to approve Resolution 2021-01 – Prosecution of Violations as written; second by D. Malek, motion carried.

**High Water mark Gauge Installations (University of Illinois)** – The University of Illinois has a student project to be installing high water mark gauges in our area. At no cost to the District, they are looking to install them on Hwy LO, near the laundromat, and Kroll and Wambold outlets.

**Financial Update/Payment of Bills** – T. Day moved to approve payment of the bills; D. Malek second, motion carried.

T. Day made a Motion to transfer \$6,000 from the General Operating Fund into the Dam Maintenance Fund today, second by T. Casey, motion carried with P. Jensen opposing to the motion.

**Executive Session** – At 9:37pm P. Jensen made a motion to go into Executive Session under 19.85 (1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The Board will not reconvene into open session. Second by J. Mann, motion carried with the votes as follows: Tom Casey – Yes, Tom Day – Yes, Peter Jensen - Yes, Don Malek – Yes, John Mann – Yes, Nancy Wilhelm – Yes, and Chris Mommaerts - Yes.

**Adjourn** At 10:03pm, D. Malek moved to adjourn, second by J. Mann, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
John R. Mann  
ESLMD Secretary