

Okauchee Lake Management District

OCTOBER 30TH, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

TOWN OF OCONOMOWOC TOWN HALL

1. Call to Order

T.Godar called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to local newspapers, posted at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, two posting boards, and on the OLMD Website.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present:

Tom Godar
Dee Schriver
Bruce Mueller
Brian Sichi

Absent:

John Foley

Also Present:

Pat Furno, Accountant for the District
Brady Mullikin, Lake Operations Manager
Stefanie Anderson, Secretary

5. Correspondence

- a. D. Schriver received correspondence from Mr. Crystal stating that when the buoys are missing on the lake, boats will then speed down the no wake channel. D. Schriver responded that if he is able to get the boat registration number and description of the boat then a report can be made. B. Sichi stated that even when the buoys are in place, boats still speed in the no wake channel.
- b. T. Godar suggested that a statement be put into the next newsletter that the No Wake rule in the channel is not dependent on the buoys. There should never be any boat speeding through the no wake channels at any time.

c. D. Schriver received a letter from the Town of Merton regarding the future fire fee and what the OLMD will owe when this goes into effect. T. Godar stated that he will seek advice from Tim and Alex Kay to see what portion we will be responsible for.

6. Comments from the Floor

N/A

7. Comments from Committee Members

D. Schriver announced that she updated the County website by removing Carol Wilson and adding Brian Sichi. Linda Goehre also updated the OLMD website and added Brian Sichi as the Secretary. D. Schriver is working with the county to get Carol's name removed from the public hearing notices that they receive. She will continue to pick up the correspondence from the P. O. Box. and distribute as necessary.

8. Discuss & Act on Report of Treasurer

D. Schriver reported the following:

a. Total revenues: \$452,868.01

b. Total expenditures: \$336,339.43

This leaves a budgeted balance of: \$116,528.58

T. Godar asked if there were any other expenses anticipated.

Pat Furno stated that there will be some payroll and plant management expenses yet to come. D. Schriver replied that we are coming in pretty close to the budget and that we did not spend the entire amount that was allocated for the chemical plan this year. Pat Furno replied that we should have a little bit of surplus because of this. T. Godar stated that Brady did a great job staging the crew to keep the payroll expenses on budget.

B. Mueller moved to accept the report of the Treasurer as presented. B. Sichi seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Approve Checks & Vouchers

D. Schriver asked Brady Mullikin if he would like to explain the charge for John Gell. B. Mullikin explained that we have an agreement with John Gell to allow us to dump truckloads at a rate per load on his farmland. This season we have dumped 190 loads of weeds off. We also have a set price that we pay Frank Schmidt's farm each season to dispose of weeds as well.

D. Schriver moved to approve payments submitted as of October 30th for approval by the Treasurer. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (10-09-2023)

B. Mueller moved to approve the minutes from the 10/09/2023 meeting. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Discuss & Act on the Summary of Public Hearing TOC Planning Commission – Conditional Use Hans Weissgerber Jr. Pier Expansion of Golden Mast Marina.

D. Schriver announced that she had the documents from this public hearing if anyone wished to view them. B. Sichi stated that the write ups do not include the rental properties, only those pertaining to the LLC. The Conditional Use, if approved, will be updated to include 5 more restaurant slips. The first plan that was presented to the DNR, the DNR requested a modification. The plan was revised and re-presented. We do not have an issue with this new proposal if we change the fees that will be owed by the Golden Mast. T. Godar stated that if approved we should encourage the town to conduct periodic spot checks of the piers.

12. Aquatic Plant Management Report

a. Brady stated that the season has come to an end and that they pulled the last piece of equipment from the water on October 30th. It has been a very good year and the programs that he has put into place have worked very well. For the coming season there will be a very large repair that needs to be done on C2 and C3 on the steel structure. Brady started this repair by removing 1,500 pounds of conveyor belts to get a full picture of the repair that needs to take place. T. Godar asked if this is a job that we should outsource. Brady replied that the Plant Management team does have the means to complete this repair, however, it will be very time consuming and costly. It is not feasible to move the machines, and is a job that has to be done onsite. B. Sichi compared it to a project being done on your house. Brady is confident that himself and Daryl can complete the project and will also seek advice from Inland on how to go about the repair.

b. Brady announced that the crew pulled 40 more dump truck loads of weeds than last year and that everyone seemed to be very positive this year about the work that was done, with few to no negative complaints. The surface Friday tactic has still worked out wonderfully to start off the weekend and the crew has figured out the ebb and flow of the work that needs to be done to maintain the lake as best as possible.

c. Brady stated that they are currently working with a homeowner in Stumpy Bay to negotiate the amount for the repair that is owed. This is due to a new driver bumping the owner's pontoon boat at the beginning of the season. P. Furno

replied that she believes the insurance deductible is \$5,000. If the repair is less than that we will pay for it directly.

13. Discuss and Act on Riparian Special Charges 2024 and other Lake Fees.

The OLMD expects that the conditional use proposed by Hans Weissgerber Jr. will be approved. The OLMD will audit Lake View Heights tax keys for charges. B. Sichi suggested that we conduct additional audits for any property that has direct access to the lake. T. Godar agreed that an audit would be a good idea as one has not been done in about 15 years. The commissioners also discussed the impact of additional boats on the lake that do not own property on the lake. The Aquatic Plant Charge is \$292.69 as approved by the riparian owners at the Annual meeting.

B. Sichi made a motion to accept the riparian owner charge of \$292.69 as established by the budget approved at the annual meeting. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Discuss and Act on Website

No changes are needed at this time.

15. Future Agenda Items

Will be addressed on an as needed basis.

16. Set Future Meeting Date

The next meeting is set for March or April 2024.

17. Adjournment

B. Mueller moved to adjourn the October 30th, 2023 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. D. Schriver seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried without exception. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.