

Eagle Spring Lake Management District
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2020
Approved Minutes

Peter Jensen, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District (ESLMD) to order at 7:00pm. 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. Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant Gina Krause, Debra West, Bruce Hein, and lake residents Nick Wambach, Greg Himebauch, Todd Gillette, and Jeff Prokop were also present.

Approval of Minutes – T. Day made a **Motion** to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2020 meeting as written, seconded by D. Malek; motion carried.

Announcements and Upcoming Meetings

- The fireworks will be held on the night of June 27th.
- The June emergency management/fire department dam planning session has been delayed and will be held on August 14, 2020.
- The Eagle Spring Lake Mgmt. District Annual Meeting will be held on August 1, 2020. Social distancing will be in practice.
- A status conference call is schedule for June 29th at 9:15am for further discussion in the Wruck claim.
- The Eagle Building committee has purchased a disinfectant sprayer for disinfecting surfaces.
- Scott Kugel is the new emergency management director for the Town of Mukwonago.
- The Village of Eagle will be painting the water tower. During the painting, water for fire service may be limited and therefore they may need to use Hwy NN /Jericho Creek or our dry hydrant at the Kroll site. Our 2" pump is in need of repairs.
- The fire department will be performing their training exercises (practice for island emergencies) on July 13 (with July 20th as a backup date).
- The District is in need of various tools for an assortment of repairs that are needed from time to time. Tools needed are box wrench set, metric ¼ to ½" and ½" drive sockets, corded power tools (drill, skil saw, router), channel locks, flat screwdrivers, and large pry bars, etc.

Public Comment – Todd Gillette commented that he lives by the boat launch and has noticed there are numerous issues going on down there. He said there are boats launching, with dogs swimming, kids swimming, kayaks coming and going, etc. This year is far worse than previous years. He felt the absence of the kids working the Clean Boats/Clean Water Program may be a contributing factor to things getting out of hand there. P. Jensen explained that due to Covid-19 virus we are held back by certain criteria until the kids can work down there. Also, water patrol is limited as to what they are allowed to do at the boat launch. P. Jensen will talk with Lance (DNR's boat launch manager). Todd Gillette reiterated that there is too much going on in too small of an area and something bad is about to happen. P. Jensen will bring the issues up to the recreational warden and agrees that there is a problem with boats launching and people swimming in the same area.

Debra West commented that she thought she was missing some things on the website. All she sees is the minutes/agenda. Gina explained that we do not have a blog page.

Old Business

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Weed Harvesting/Collecting/Chemical Treatment – T. Day reported that as of June 8, Pickeral Bay was looking as if the chemical treatment (Porcella-Cor) was successful. We will continue to watch for any regrowth (similar to what we have seen in previous years with 2, 4-D). Overall native plant growth is slower than most years, which is most likely due to the cooler spring temperatures. If there are problem areas that you need cut, the residents will have to contact either T. Casey or T. Day.

P. Jensen stated that he has seen an abundant amount of zebra mussels around the dams/shore stations. Others reported that they have very few in their area of the lake. It appears to be dependent upon which area of the lake you are looking at.

Aquatic Plant Survey - T. Day will further pursue contact with Tom Slawski (SEWRPC) as it relates to our Point Intercept Plant Survey/Update the Lake Management Plan.

Conveyor Painting – Waukesha County gave us permission last year to get the shore conveyor painted. We are pursuing a few proposals to paint the conveyor. T. Casey will get us another estimate from a lake resident.

Carp Initiative/Fishery Issues – T. Day reported a very conservative count of 116 carp have been captured this year to date. John's Disposal has missed a few dumpings this spring. We have Plunket's spraying for the flies and we are using lime as needed.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters Program – T. Day assumes that the Covid-19 stay home restrictions has played a big part in why the lake is so busy this year. If the strict requirements we have to meet for the launch site to be staffed are not lightened, we do not anticipate that we will be able to staff the Clean Boats/Clean Water Program this year.

Weather Station and Website – There were no updates.

Wambold Dam/Kroll Outlet Issues

- **Wambold Buttress Repairs Update** - P. Jensen commented that the Wambold outlet is now being used to handle the primary flow. Kroll site has been reduced to allow for our minimal flow. It does not look like we will have the permits in time for any repairs this year. The permit that they will issue should be good for a period of 3 years. We anticipate that we will be able to get all the necessary permits/bids by spring of 2021.
- **Kroll Outlet Rip Rap** – A special thank you to Tom Day for the use of his truck for the hauling of rip rap stone at the Kroll site. Six more muskrats were removed from this site.
- **Kroll Outlet Intake Issue and Status** – P. Jensen presented a drawing to explain the existing and new gates he is proposing at the Kroll Outlet and its flow pattern. Also explained, that we have a wall separation that is happening. We are due for another dam inspection in 2021 and we will have our engineers to look at what is going to be needed to repair this at that time.

Septic Pumping Issues – There were several people who verified that they have received their card to pump. Routine cards have gone out but we still have a few areas that have issues. There still remains some issues as to known failed/illegal systems not being investigated. Further research is needed and, C. Mommaerts will continue to help us with our current issues with Waukesha County's septic program.

Water Patrol – D. Malek presented the lake patrol report from May 23 through June 15, 2020. According to the report, a total of 73.5 hours of patrol time was recorded, with 54.5 hours spent patrolling and 19 hours on administrative duties. There were 23 boat stops, 9 citations, and 11 written warnings. They also gave a total of 17 verbal warnings and assisted 7 vessels. The patrol received 8 complaints from residents, which included SNW violations, parking concerns at the public boat launch, boats not properly lighted after dark, and loud and disorderly boats, etc. Over 40 boats have been observed on the lake at one time.

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Radio System – P. Jensen explained that we have 2 portable radios that can be used to contact lake patrol on the water. The Board agrees that this is going to be a busy summer of boating on the lake. We also have the capability to now have a radio in the harvesting truck and one on the harvester at the same time.

Status of Succession Planning/Back Up Position – N. Wilhelm presented a new updated draft of the Bookkeeper/Administrative Training Manual ready for the Board to review.

Proposed Workload Distribution Discussion – There were no updates.

Truck Acquisition – J. Mann presented to the Board a new used truck for use as a harvesting truck. The truck was at the meeting for Board members to look at. The Lake District name will have to be placed on the door. After discussion, D. Malek made a Motion to purchase the truck at a price of \$5,500.00, second by N. Wilhelm, motion carried.

Legislative Update – There were no updates.

Fireworks Preparations and Issues – P. Jensen has contacted our game warden and he was hopeful that he would be able to provide us an extra source of lake patrol the night of our fireworks. Summerset Marine will be contacted in regards to the rental of one barge with the donation of the second barge. William Payne has offered to host the pyrotechnician aboard his pontoon again this year. DNR will watch over the public boat launch. Due to possible firework enthusiasts wanting to observe the fireworks by the hoards, barricades will be provided for Laundry Mat parking area, Clarks Park, and no parking signs for resident use on South Shore Drive, etc. As usual, the Kroll site will be barricaded due to explosives on the property. Barges will need to be cleaned after the show.

Disaster Assistance Application – Even though we will not qualify for any monetary relief, the disaster application being submitted, will allow the Lake District to be one step ahead by being in the system already in case of a future disaster.

Other – T. Day explained his Sunday escapade: 3 adults, 6 young children were on the Kroll Site Property illegally. Some were fishing, others playing around. One adult was found on the weed harvester. They were instructed that they do not belong on the property and there is no fishing on the property. The harvester will have to be checked for missing/broken equipment. They have been warned and if there is another occurrence the sheriff's department will be called.

New Business

Beaver Control – N. Wambach expressed his concerns of the damage that the beavers are doing around the lake. They have been observed in Pickeral Bay and damaging trees on Travers Island. He was inquiring if the Lake District was planning on doing a lake wide beaver eradication. P. Jensen will contact the DNR.

Annual Meeting Preparations

- **Budget** - N. Wilhelm will research what the local loan rates are. The Board was presented a copy of the draft budget.
- **Newsletter** – All articles need to be given to Gina by June 19.

Disaster Assistance Application – The Lake District as a government entity is eligible for disaster assistance relief and has applied for federal disaster assistance. This can provide up to 75% of eligible costs, 12.5% state disaster funding, and 12.5% local share funding (including in kind funding). Due to Covid-19 the whole United States has been declared a disaster under Stafford disaster relief act and this has made available federal funding. We will probably be working with the Eagle Fire Department to meet the threshold. Once we have been labeled as a qualified applicant, we will always be considered

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that we are a qualified applicant and this will qualify us for all future aid. There is no cost to the District; however, it will take some major paperwork to complete.

Fire Department Training – The Eagle Fire Department will perform a training exercise for rescue on island properties on July 13/July 20.

Lessons Learned from Michigan Dam Failures – P. Jensen presented a video of a Michigan dam Failure.

It was a large earthen dam and the failure lead to a cascading effect. It is believed that the dam failure occurred because of the lack of needed repairs being done.

Generator Donation – T. Day made a **Motion** accept the donation of a generator; second by N. Wilhelm, motion carried.

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

Executive Session – At 9:08pm, P. Jensen made a motion 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 N. Wilhelm, 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 9:46pm, J. Mann moved to adjourn, second by T. Casey, motion carried.

John Mann
ESLMD Secretary