

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

P.O. Box 301 Whitewater, WI 53190



MINUTES

The January 12, 2023 Whitewater/Rice Lakes Management District board meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by: Rich Charts.

Roll Call: Completed by Rich Charts, Brad Corson, Carol Ducommun, Donna Sherman and Norm Prusener - online Mike Lindenmuth, Chuck Chamberlain

Administrative:

Approval of Agenda: Rich made a motion to approve the agenda as posted Brad seconded all in favor motion carried

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Rich decided to have the December meeting minutes reviewed by Carol and Chuck for grammar prior to approval.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Secretary's Report/Correspondence- Mike – no report

Finance- Brad – December expenses totaled \$624.62 mostly administrative, Fish Crib expenses and newspaper. Brad motioned to approve \$624.62 seconded by Carol all in favor motion carries.

Brad presented the final income statement for 2022. When the budget was approved for 2023 the estimated surplus for 2022 was approximately \$50,000 it is coming in higher because the expenses of the bog harvest, weed harvesting and the SEWRPC expenses were all less.

The total surplus for the year was a total of \$127,000. The result of that is the additional \$65,000 surplus was not included in the 2023 budget this will be a budgeted carry over for next year.

Brad said this carryover could be rolled over into the capital fund if approved and could be used to reduce the amount of money that would be financed for the potential land/building project. If not approved to roll over into the capital fund then we would be required to roll it in as a credit in the tax assessment.

The current capital is already committed for future equipment expense.

Brad had preliminary discussion with the bank for loan approval for land/building project.

He completed a census for public entities.

\$70,750.00 check was received for the first install of taxes from the Town of Whitewater

Brad added he was looking to move to a single signature of authorization and looked into EFT bill payment for our invoices with First Citizens State Bank he tested it with the Southern Lakes Invoice, as a result he can get a report from the bank that shows the items identified as being paid by EFT or Check looking ahead to a new incoming treasurer who may not have the ability to get a second signature depending on where located. Brad also ran this process past the auditor which he was in agreement with this process. Rich asked Brad to verify if the EFT would have a 2 signature option. He will also follow up with what the payment statement looks like once it Rich made a motion for a trial for the month of February seconded by Mike

Weed Harvesting- Carol - No Report

Chemical –Mike no Report

Bog Removal – Rich no Report

Equipment- Chuck – No Report

Reports of Standing Teams

Navigator Team Updates- No Report

Fish Stocking – February 18th 2023 Travis Motl fish biologist will be doing a presentation at the Delavan Club.

Wildlife Management- No Report Safety- No Report Audit-No Report Water Quality – No Report. Lakeshore management- No Report

2022-2023 Schedule- Rich said there maybe updates but none noted as of yet

New Business: No Harvesting Bids were received. Courtesy solicitations for bids were sent to: The Boat House, Kevin Vanderplyum, Clear Water Solutions, Lake Shore Pier Services, and Jeff Weidner Mike asked if anyone was aware of Summerset, Chuck was aware of their pier service, Mike will follow up with Summerset. Lastly Rich mentioned to set up a meeting with an outside consultant regarding training services with Chuck and Carol. Brad will follow up with accounting firms.

Brad pointed out until the service venders are identified we need to think about who can move equipment by the end of May from the current storage location.

Status of facility research- Carol mentioned she and Rich sent out a letter to potential landowners.

Lake Management Plan update: Rich said there is a call scheduled tomorrow with Heidi Bunk. Mike with also was to schedule a follow up call after that meeting.

Other Business-

Next meeting date- February 9, 2023

Adjournment- Rich asked for a motion to adjourn Mike motioned seconded by Chuck @ 7:52 PM – all in favor motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Donna Sherman- Clerk