



**April 11, 2019 6:00 p.m.**

## **LNNLRCD Meeting**

- I. **Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance – Good-bye to Joan Bonnamy** – Bill called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Bill Winebaugh – president    Andy Warcaba – VP    Joan Bonnamy – Secretary  
Ernie Richards – Member at Large

**Board Members Absent:** Anthony O'Brien – Member at Large

Bill Winebaugh presented Joan w/ a plaque and a gift certificate in appreciation for her volunteer work as an RCD board member for 2 years.

- II. **Motion to Approve the Agenda** – Joan motioned to approve the agenda and Andy seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-01]

- III. **Motion to Approve the 3/14/2019 Minutes** – Andy motioned to approve the 3/14/2019 minutes and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-02]

- IV. **Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report** - Ernie motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-03]

V. **Board Member Reports**

**A. Bill Winebaugh – No Report**

**B. Andy Warcaba - 1. Wendler 22.26 Acre Survey Proposal** – Andy said that Wendler sent them a revised proposal to survey the 22.26-acre parcel that is west of the church (*on the corner of Flagg and Lowden roads*) for a potential silt basin. The cost was reduced significantly and Andy feels it is in line and would like to make a motion to accept their proposal and give them a notice to proceed pending that they receive all of the permissions necessary (*POA, Ogle County Highway Dept, Nachusa Grasslands*). Bill asked Andy to explain the work to be performed and Andy said that it would be for Wendler to do a survey of the 22.26-acres by the church and to take elevation readings from that acreage down to the Clear Creek basin on the north side of the road. Andy said that this is the next phase in the work that we are doing and as a follow-up, Joe Rush met with the Nature Conservancy District and they will allow the RCD to discharge the water back to our lake on their property on the south side of Flagg Rd to Clear Creek so that it will be able to percolate back into the ground rather than using a pipe – the water may even percolate into the ground (*before it reaches Clear Creek*). Bill said that there is actually a culvert under Flagg Rd that the water will drain through to a wetland area that has cattails and will follow the wetland area to Clear Creek. Joan asked if the area is subject to flash flooding and Bill said he didn't believe so. Andy motioned to approve hiring Wendler Engineering at a cost of \$8,650 to perform a survey of the 22.26-acre area for a potential silt basin and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-04]

**C. Joan Bonnamy** – As one of her final acts as a board member, Joan will be performing a walkthrough of the RCD and private properties that are tied to the grant work that was performed in 2012 and 2015 to remediate shoreline erosion of the Babbling Brook tributary that drains into lost lake. Andy said that they should try to reach out to the property owners that is on Babbling Brook about managing their property per the grant requirement and Joan said she is going to. She is planning on doing this toward the end of April with Joe Rush and employees Shawn Parish and Becky Miller are invited to participate in the walkthrough as well.

**D. Anthony O'Brien – No Report – Absent**

**E. Ernie Richards – Goose Control Program** – Ernie has treated a couple of nests with a total of 6 eggs so far. Bill asked Ernie if he was marking the nests on a map and Ernie said he was. Ernie said that the geese can be mean and one tried to attack him. Bill said that in the past they have had two people that go out together to treat the nests so if he needs some help, Ernie can either call him (Bill), Shawn, or Mr. Fredrick to help him.

**North Beach** – Ernie said that the north beach is in need of more stabilization rock on the shoreline adjacent to the beach.

**Fish Spawning – Optimum Temperatures for Spawning** - Walleye 40-60 degrees, Crappie & Bass 50-60, shad & blue catfish about 70-75 degrees. Ernie said that the water needs to be about 73 degrees for carp to start spawning. Bill asked Ernie to write up an article on the different temperatures of water for the different species of fish for the next newsletter.

**VII. New Business – (Because Andy had to leave early, Bill moved New Business before Old Business).**

**A. Motion to Pass Res. 01-2019, Preparation of Tentative FY2019-2020 Budget and Appropriation by Treasurer** – Bill read off the resolution (see attached). Andy motioned to pass resolution 01-2019, directing Rebecca Miller, the treasurer, to prepare the tentative FY2019-2020 budget and appropriation and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-05]

**VI. Old Business**

**A. 2018-2019 Winter Deer Hunting Rules** – Bill said that the board had discussed potentially making some changes to the rules for hunters that bow hunt on the RCD property that is north of the creek adjacent to the campground. Ernie suggested that they require hunters to register by September 1, 2019 and have them put their stands in by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Ernie said that last year there were people putting up their stands when people were already sitting in their stands. Andy asked if he wants to include a requirement to take the stands down after the season and Ernie said that if they perform a controlled-burn they will have to take them down. Bill said that they already have a policy in place where they notify the hunters before they burn so that they can make sure to have them down. Ernie said that the stands don't hurt anything if they remain up; however, he suggested that they should mark their stands with ribbon and Bill said that all stands should have the hunter's name, phone number, and address on it. Bill asked if Ernie and Anthony had talked about charging a fee – he remembered them talking about charging \$50-\$100 a person and Ernie said that it shouldn't be a problem for most hunters but he wouldn't charge more than \$100 and it would generate some income for the RCD (*to help maintain the property*) – if they do charge, he would recommend \$50. Bill asked Ernie if he wanted to limit it to the first five applicants and Ernie said no, the rotating lottery system that they had in past years worked. The problem they had was people putting their stands in too late in the season – you need to get your stand in early so that the deer get used to them. Ernie motioned to require hunters to register by September 1, 2019 for the 2018-2019 winter hunting season, to have their stands installed by September 15<sup>th</sup>, to charge a fee of \$50 per hunter for the season, and to require name and contact info on stands. Andy seconded the motion and the board approved it unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-19-06]

Becky said that they had talked about sectioning off the back half of the campground and opening that up to hunting as well to help cut down on the mowing expenses of the campground and give the hunters a bigger area to hunt and she wondered what the board's feedback was on that. Bill said there was nothing at this point – Shawn and he discussed it and they are going to wait until the weather got better to take a look at the area and Shawn was going to give him some feedback on that. Becky said that they are not making enough money on the campground to cover the cost of its operation – last year they didn't even make \$100 and they spend more than that on mowing. People do like to walk through the campground as well; however, they can walk on a trail just as easily. He and Shawn will take a look at the area and come back with their thoughts. Ernie asked if the campground would still be open this year because they've got boy scouts that are going to be using it and Bill said that (*even if they closed the back half (sites 9 & 10) of the campground*) the front half of the campground would remain open for camping. Tabled to Old Business.

Andy Left.

**VIII. Guest Comments**

**Shawn** – Bill asked if Shawn had anything and Shawn said nothing new – the properties are in good standard right now. Shawn said that (*he tried something new in not installing goose fencing on the beaches*) and the beaches are in really good shape compared to prior years because in the past, the goose fencing contributed to uneven erosion with a one-foot drop-off and buildup of debris and sticks that they didn't have this year. Joan said that she was down there the other day and agrees with Shawn totally. He and Jeff Winterland are going to spread out the soil at the volleyball net and they've got the gravel to touch up the road over the dam. He changed the poles on the rental docks and he asked Becky to remind the dock renters NOT to tie their boats to the dock poles,

instead, they should use the cleats that they installed on their last year. Shawn and Jeff will readjust the LCC dock and add new poles because it got bent in over the winter – Bill thinks the ice probably did that. Bill asked Shawn about the wood debris that Shawn put in the dumpster and whether the trashman will pick that up and Shawn said yes. Bill said clean-up day is around the corner and asked Shawn if he has a bucket list of things to do and to coordinate with Dan. Joan asked Shawn if he had put in some gravel to create a launch for kayaks on the north pier (near the dam) and Shawn said yes. Joan said that it needs to be relooked at from a safety viewpoint because she watched some kids trying to use it and she thought that they were going to crack their heads open Ernie said that the north beach could use some fresh road rock near the boat launch and asked Shawn to look at that – Shawn said that he will have Jeff put some in at the same time that he puts in road rock on the road over the dam.

- XI. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting** – Ernie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-10-07]

#### **4/11/2019 Motion List**

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**Attachment 1**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
THE LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RIVER  
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**Resolution 01-2019  
Preparation of Tentative FY2019-2020  
Budget and Appropriation Ordinance**

**WHEREAS**, on April 11, 2019, The Lost Nation - New Landing River Conservancy District of Illinois Board Motioned to direct Rebecca Miller, treasurer, to prepare a tentative fiscal year 2019-2020 budget and appropriation ordinance for the period from May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020 for presentation at the May 9, 2019 meeting.

**DATED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

/s/: Bill Winebaugh

Bill Winebaugh, President

/s/: Andy Warcaba

Andy Warcaba, V.P.

/s/: Joan Bonnamy

Joan Bonnamy, Secretary

Absent

Anthony O'Brien, Member at Large

/s/: Ernie Richards

Ernie Richards, Member at Large