



Thursday, March 14, 2019 6:00 p.m.

LNNLRCD Meeting

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

Board Members Present: Bill Winebaugh – President; Andy Warcaba – VP; Joan Bonnamy – Secretary; Anthony O'Brien – Member at Large; Ernie Richards – Member at Large

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. [03-19-01]

III. **Motion to Approve 12/13/18 Minutes:** Andy motioned to approve the 01/17/19 minutes and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-19-02]

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

V. **Board Member Reports**

A. **Bill Winebaugh**

1. Clean-up Day Punch List – Last week, Becky sent out an e-mail to the board members to submit ideas for a punch list for areas that need to be addressed if the RCD is going to coordinate with the POA on their clean-up day which will be April 26th this year. Bill asked the board members if they had any ideas and no one made any suggestions. He then asked Shawn if there was anything that volunteers could do to help with property maintenance without getting in his way. Shawn listed painting of the docks and readjustment of the permanent docks. Becky said that they would pick up trash along the shorelines of RCD properties. Bill said that he noticed that the mulch around the LCC needed to be raked. Joan suggested that they could clean up around the boat racks. Bill asked if any of the board members would like to coordinate the clean-up effort and Ernie said that he would like to but he'll be out of town that weekend. Shawn volunteered to coordinate the clean-up effort. Bill directed Shawn to get together with Dan before then. Dan Perry said that last year they divided the west side into 5 zones and the east side into 3 zones then they had teams assigned to each zone. This year, as more of a cooperative effort, if there are RCD properties that fall within those zones, then the teams assigned to those zones will work there as well. Bill said that the RCD can offer up the building for the volunteers to meet in rather than the east side park and they will share equally in the cost for the lunch and coffee and donuts that is provided. In the interim, they'll try to come up with some quick and easy ideas. He doesn't know if people will want to stain but they could rake out the mulch or pick up trash along the shoreline. Dan said that they will post a request for volunteers on Next Door and on their website and the RCD can put something on their website and they'll have something in the kiosks at the gates.

2. Carp Fisherman – Shawn Price, our commercial carp fisherman, has the IDNR license that the RCD needs to perform the commercial carp removal. He said that around the 1st week of April they should start looking for when the carp start rolling in the shallows along the shoreline – at that point they should get him out there because the carp will be spawning at that point and their window of opportunity is a little over a week to get the most out of the fishing. Shawn will coordinate with him and help him as he has done in the past. Ernie said that they won't start spawning until the water temperature gets between 50-60 degrees and he doesn't know if that'll happen by April 1st. Bill said maybe not, Shawn just said around April 1st start keeping your eyes open – as soon as he notices that the carp are rolling in the shallow water, he'll give Shawn a call, whatever the date is. Bill tried to negotiate a lower price with Shawn but there wasn't much discussion on that as he is already charging a pretty low amount at \$500 a day. He added that the RCD wouldn't hurt his feelings if they found someone else. Bill said that they can have him come either a Friday-Saturday or a Sunday-Monday. In the past, he has had him come Sunday-Monday because if it's nice out, there may be more people on the lake (*on a Friday-Saturday vs. Sunday-Monday*).

3. Mowing of Flagg Rd. Silt Basin – Bill said that Shawn started mowing the Flagg Rd. silt basin last year and he's had some discussion with Shawn and he (Bill) would like to change how they are doing that so that they can save some money and shift their priorities of what Shawn is doing for the RCD away from mowing that and toward other property maintenance. He mowed it about 6 times last year at a cost of about \$200 each time. Right now, Shawn mows it down to about 3 inches and as it is rough ground out there, it is hard on his equipment. If they contract someone out, say Ken Oltmanns, to come out 2 or 3 times a year and run a brush hog through there, it could go longer between cuttings as long as it looks neat out there. Andy asked if Ken would be able to do it for \$200 and Becky said that he has done it in the past and from what she recalls it was comparable to what Shawn did it for, and even if it was a little more, they'd still save money because they'd be doing it less often. Andy said it'd be alright if he can haul his equipment over there and Shawn said that he thinks he already mows the roadsides out here so he'd have his equipment there already. Andy will ask him when he talks to him about re-installing the boards. Bill said the he and Shawn established a punch list of property maintenance that didn't get done last year because Shawn spent so much time mowing. For example, the LCC needs to be stained, there are docks that need to be fixed and stained, and the kiosk at the dam needs a new roof. If the board is in agreement then he will go in that direction. The board agreed.

4. Volleyball Net by LCC Playground – Shawn and Bill also talked about the sand volleyball court at the LCC. Each year they have to hire a contractor to till up the sand and then they have to periodically spray the area with weed killer throughout the season to stop weeds from growing up through the sand. It doesn't get used enough so that after a couple of weeks of prepping it, it returns back to getting overgrown. Bill proposes that instead of spending money on tilling it and spraying it with weed killer, they put some fill in, plant some grass seed, and leave the net there on a grass field. The board agreed.

B. Andy Warcaba

1. Date to Raise the Lake – Last year they raised the lake on April 16th so he'll talk to Ken Oltmanns to see if he'll do it again around mid-April.

2. Eakley Dock Request – Norm Eakley wants to build a 10'X15' dock, which is within the RCD's guidelines on size, on his property. Andy motioned to approve Norman Eckley's dock improvement request and Bill seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-19-04]

C. Joan Bonnamy – Joan will be performing a walk-thru of the grant properties with Joe Rush. Becky suggested that Joan invite the board member that will be taking on her duties when she leaves to walk with them. There is a property owner that either Joan and Joe can talk to during their walk-thru or Bill said he can talk to him. Shawn said that there are trees that are growing through the gabion baskets on the property owner's shoreline along Babbling Brook that will compromise the shore's stabilization. Per the agreement that the property owner signed, he needs to maintain his property and remove the trees that are growing through the gabion baskets or he needs to pay the RCD to have Shawn and Jeff remove them.

D. Anthony O'Brien – Anthony is going to take on Joan's secretary position once her term is over.

E. Ernie Richards – Good ice coverage this year with a lot of fish caught, although two people fell partially through the ice – one near the N. Beach and one near the dam - thankfully at points that were shallow enough for them to get out. Bill said that they caught crappie, bluegill, bass, and some shad.

Goose Control – Ernie is going to start working on the goose control program as soon as he sees the geese making their nests. The RCD has a permit from the IDNR to render the eggs unproductive through oiling or addling, then they leave them in the nest until the laying period has passed, and finally, they dispose of the eggs through burial.

VI. Old Business – No Old Business

VII. New Business

A. Spring Turkey Hunting – The board will allow turkey hunting this spring from April 1-May16 to properly RCD registered and IDNR licensed hunters on the RCD property located north of the creek that abuts the campground.

B. Engineer Selection for Survey – Andy and Bill met yesterday to review the SOQ's that were submitted by engineering firms in consideration of surveying the 22.26 acres on Flagg Rd for a potential silt basin. Of the two engineering firms that submitted SOQ's, they chose Wendler Engineering as the #1 choice. Discussion ensued about what the firm will be doing in the survey and Andy will contact Wendler and request a quote for the cost to survey the property. Andy motioned to select Wendler as the number one choice for the survey of the RCD's 22.26-acre site on Flagg Rd for a potential silt basin and Joan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-19-05]

VIII. Guest Comments

Dwayne Tracy – Turkey - When he first moved in there were a lot of turkey and they are gone now. He wondered what happened to them. Bill said that they probably moved on as they don't generally stay in one place.

Norm Eckley – 1. Maintenance of Flagg Rd Silt Basin - Norm asked whether there would be more ticks and rodents if they don't mow the Flagg Rd Silt Basin as often and wondered if it was an area that kids play in and Bill said that it is on the south side of Flagg Rd behind a fenced area so there won't be kids playing there.

2. Fish Structure Map – Norm asked if there are any maps that show the structure in the lake. Bill said to bear in mind that it's not current so the cribs may be old and deteriorated.

Andy Warcaba – Steps at Dam - Andy asked why they have steps on each side of the dam and Becky said that the board installed them a few years ago for access for fishing off of the shore.

Anthony O'Brien – Deer Hunting Anthony asked if there'd been any discussion on changing the rules of the deer hunting program and Bill said not at this point. Ernie said that they can talk about it at the next meeting.

IX. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting – Ernie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. and Anthony seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-19-06]

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