



# Lost Lake RCD Board Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2024 - 6:00pm

**Board Members Present:** Bill Winebaugh, President; Hal Warren, Vice President; Jeff VanQuatham, Treasurer/Secretary; Norm Eakley; Tyler VanKirk

**Board Members Absent:** None

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance** - Bill called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

**II. Motion to Approve the Agenda** - Jeff motioned to approve the Agenda and Tyler seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-14-24-01]

**III. Motion to Approve the 2/8/2024 Meeting Minutes** - Bill motioned to approve the 2/8/2024 Minutes and Hal seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-14-24-02]

**IV. Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report** - Bill motioned to approve the Treasurer's report and Tyler seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-14-24-03]

## V. Board Member Reports

### a. Bill Winebaugh

- **Foyer Bathroom:** The bathroom floor has been replaced. The bathroom will only be open during office hours for now.

### b. Hal Warren

- **Flagg Road Silt Basin Dredge:** Nordman has agreed to dredge the Flagg Road silt basin at the same cost as last year: \$5,000 to dredge and \$5,000 to haul, totaling \$10,000.
- **Dry Silt:** A local vendor may be interested in taking the silt after it's dry, and Nachusa may want some to fill a gravel pit. The board is in favor of distributing the dry silt to local vendors.

**c. Jeff VanQuathem** - nothing to report

**d. Tyler VanKirk** - briefly discussed turkey hunting program

**e. Norm Eakley** - we have some beaver issues again

## VI. Employee Reports

### • Beth Caudill, Office Manager

- **Newsletter:** RCD page for the Spring edition is complete & included in board packet
- **Board Member List:** a list is included in the board packet. Working with Ogle County to clarify each board member's term expiration. An updated list will be emailed to the Board.
- **Boat Rack Repair Notice:** A notice was posted on social media & sent via email blast to our website subscribers to remove boats by March 22<sup>nd</sup> for boat rack repairs.
- **Carpet Cleaning:** Quality Cleaning did a fantastic job cleaning carpets at LCC.
- **Tree Stand Notice:** A notice was mailed today to remind hunters that all tree stands must be removed by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- **ILMA Conference:** Illinois Lakes Management 3-day conference last week was extremely informative. Some topics covered included: ecosystem restoration, building habitat with native plants, climate impacts on lakes & streams, dredging major & minor projects, nutrient loss mitigation, cover crops & water quality, IEPA watershed funding, pesticides & salt use, and fish stocking. Joe Rush is excited to help revitalize our lake management & watershed plans and assist with an educational piece for the community.

- **Shawn Parish, Grounds & Maintenance**

- **Security Cameras:** 5 cameras have been replaced. There is an issue with 1 of the cameras that is being addressed.
- **Lobby Restroom:** The floor replacement is complete.
- **Goose Patrol:** It's time to start thinking about beginning goose patrol for the season.
- **Spring Cleanup:** Property cleanup & setup will begin soon for the season.

**VII. Old Business**

**a. Mechanical Dredge:** Six private docks were dredged. Demobilization started today and should be complete by next week. Once complete, POA roads will be checked for damage, then a Release Form will be drafted and signed by all parties. After the Release Form is signed, the demobilization fee will be paid.

**VIII. New Business**

**a. Closed Executive Minutes Review:**

*Pursuant to Section 2.06(d) of the Open Meeting Act, each public body shall periodically, but no less than semi-annually, meet to review minutes of all closed meetings. After the review of closed meetings, a determination shall be made and reported in an open session that (1) the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of those minutes or (2) that the minutes or portions thereof no longer require confidential treatment and are available for review.*

*There are 17 closed meetings which I recommend that the board motion to keep confidential, based on the following reasons: executive sessions discussing Utility Acquisition, potential land acquisition, bid proposals for shoreline work, and personnel meetings deemed to remain closed based on decisions made by past board members and my own personal review of the later meetings listed below.*

|                          |                          |   |
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| <i>February 3, 2005</i>  | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Acquisition – Utility</i>                                |
| <i>February 17, 2005</i> | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Acquisition – Utility</i>                                |
| <i>July 13, 2010</i>     | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Bids for Stabilization of LCC &amp; Dam Boat Storage</i> |
| <i>January 14, 2014</i>  | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>LCC</i>  |
| <i>April 23, 2015</i>    | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>May 27, 2015</i>      | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>March 22, 2017</i>    | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>April 22, 2017</i>    | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Quit Claim Park Drive</i>                                |
| <i>June 17, 2021</i>     | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>September 9, 2021</i> | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>December 23, 2021</i> | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>May 12, 2022</i>      | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>July 14, 2022</i>     | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>August 11, 2022</i>   | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>December 7, 2022</i>  | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>February 9, 2023</i>  | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |
| <i>March 9, 2023</i>     | <i>Keep Confidential</i> | <i>Personnel</i>  |

*There are 0 closed meetings which I recommend that the board motion to release.*

*This concludes my review and recommendations for all closed meetings for fiscal years from FY 2001-2002 through FY 2023-2024. The board should again review the closed meetings in 6 months pursuant to section 2.06(d) (e) (f) of the Open Meeting Act to determine if any should be released at that time or remain confidential.*

*Sincerely,*

*Bill Winebaugh  
LNNLRCD President*

**b. Lake Court Center Parking Lot:** Bill plans to pull blueprints of the parking lot from prior planning and would like to talk to Scott Brown at Wendler Engineering to review. Drainage needs to be addressed as well. The Board is in agreement to pursue the planning phase of this project.

**c. Lake Court Center Dock/Platform:** The platform is now a safety hazard and continues to decline. The Board prefers that the platform is taped off until it is removed by Winterland.

**d. Burn Pile:** The pile continues to grow and to become more spread out. Superior Seawalls will be asked to push debris into a pile conducive of burning. Help will be needed to burn the pile.

**e. Dredge Flagg Rd. Silt Basin:** Nordman has agreed to dredge the Flagg Road silt basin at the same cost as last year: \$5,000 to dredge and \$5,000 to haul, totaling \$10,000. Bill motioned to approve the dredging of the Flagg Rd Silt Basin by Nordman at \$10,000 and Norm seconded the motion. Th motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-14-24-04]

#### **IX. Guest Comments**

**X. Motion to Adjourn** - Hal motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 pm and Norm seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-14-24-05]

**Next Board Meeting: April 11, 2024**

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