



# Lost Lake RCD Board Meeting

Thursday, March 13, 2025 6:00pm

Lake Court Center

**Board Members Present:** Norm Eakley, President; Hal Warren, Vice President; Tim Spelde, Treasurer/Secretary; Bill Winebaugh

**Board Members Absent:** None

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance:** Norm called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**II. Approval of the Agenda:** Bill motioned to approve the Agenda and Hal seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved unanimously by voice vote. [03-13-25-01]

**III. Approval of the February 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes:** Hal motioned to approve the February 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes and Norm seconded the motion. One abstain. The Minutes were approved by voice vote. [03-13-25-02]

**IV. Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** Tim motioned to approve the February 2025 Treasurer's report and Norm seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-13-25-03]

## V. Board Member Reports

**a. Norm Eakley:** Employee Reviews completed, reports to follow soon.

**b. Hal Warren:** nothing to report.

### c. Tim Spelde:

- Bond documents signed due to bond sold to different company. Bond attorney walked us through the process to sign necessary documents.
- Fishing structures built, placed on ice, and fell through lake end of February. GPS locations will be secured. Cedar planks were used instead of Christmas trees.
- Basketball hoops will be fixed this week, and we can decide in the future if we wish to replace.
- FaceBook notifications were briefly discussed.
- Hunters – email will be sent to remove tree stands.
- Garbage cans – full at dam, Midwest ensured it would be emptied. Old Republic cans will be emptied and removed.
- Beautification – some interest from volunteers to assist – plans need to be approved by the board.
- LCC Dock – volunteer labor to remove
- Creel Limits – laminated copies have been posted by Bill Wash

**d. Bill Winebaugh:** Wix.com email stating email is expired, but email still works. May be spam.

## VI. Employee Reports

• **Beth Caudill, Office Manager:** absent

• **Shawn Parish, Grounds & Maintenance:**

- Rental docks need to be repaired due to silt bending the poles. We may wish to dredge the area, and Norm will test depths to determine the need.
- Some trees at the campground need to be removed.
- Signs for the campground may need to be replaced.
- LCC building posts need repairs and painting – Shawn to prepare materials list
- Boat motor issues – overheats when idle due to silt clogging up the line – Tim will look into options (2-stroke preferred by Shawn).

- LCC Benches – approx. \$600 per bench – possibly replace with 4x4's or 2x6 timbers. Costs will be researched for board approval.

## VII. Old Business

- a. Watershed Partnership:** Norm motioned to discuss this topic and Tim seconded the motion. Information and proposals from our lake biologist and our grant writer was presented for review. Cost is approximately \$20k per year for 2 years to develop plans. We will continue to investigate items we can begin. Norm wants to begin water testing which is \$14k for the lake sampling equipment and training to ensure the possibility of hydraulic dredging in the future. The board needs a better understanding of how the watershed partnership planning would benefit our lake and our community before approving the expenses. Norm will reach out to our lake biologist Joe Rush, and Hal will follow up with Rebecca Olsen, our grant writer. Tim feels it may be good to at minimum re-establish a Watershed Committee with neighbors or maybe hold a Lunch & Learn.
- b. POA Office Changes:** Three office design concepts were presented to the board for review and briefly discussed. A Draft Lease Agreement that was prepared by our attorney was presented to the board for review. We should mention exchange for services as an option for payment, remove Section 12 pertaining to real estate property taxes, remove section 13 pertaining to utilities, and revise section 14 pertaining to Lessee's Insurance to remove coverage amounts necessary. Send the Draft Lease Agreement with the mentioned revisions to the POA for review prior to board approval.
- c. Possible Addition of West Rental Docks:** Bill motioned to discuss this topic and Hal seconded the motion. We could possibly remove an east dock to move to the west side. We need to look at the water depths on the west side. We may be able to add 2 docks. The property at the west dock area is the POA's, and this agreement needs to be updated.
- d. Tree Removal at West Beach:** Norm motioned to discuss this topic and Hal seconded the motion. 3 proposals were presented to the board for review. We will notify Heller Tree Service to remove the willow tree at west beach for \$800 as long as they provide proof of insurance.
- e. Board Handbook Review:** Move discussion to the next meeting.
- f. Sandbox/Mulch at LCC Park:** Norm motioned to discuss this topic and Hal seconded the motion. Shawn reported that the playground mulch is embedded with weeds deep into the soil that continue to sprout through the entire playground. He feels that weed spray could be toxic to those who play in this park and that an aggressive treatment for weeds is needed by a vendor that can apply a safe treatment and remove liability from the RCD. The weeds and spray also saturate the sandbox. The board felt that we may need a weed barrier and new mulch. Shawn will discuss this with the POA and get pricing. Tim is willing to volunteer his tractor and labor if replacement needs to be done.

## VIII. New Business

- a. Tentative FY2025-2026 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance (Order to be filed for public inspection for 30 days):** Norm and Tim met to discuss the budget line by line. We added funds for dock repair, north beach driveway, and dredging funds for dock areas that may need to be dredged. Tim motioned to approve the Tentative FY2025-FY2026 Budget & Appropriate Ordinance and Hal seconded the motion. The Tentative FY2025-2026 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-13-25-04]
- b. Resolution 01-2025 Public Hearing on Budget & Appropriation (Notice of Hearing to be published in Local Newspaper at least one week Prior to Hearing):** Tim motioned to approve Resolution 01-2025 Public Hearing on Budget & Appropriation and Hal seconded the motion. Resolution 01-2025 was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [3-13-25-05]
- c. Abandoned Boats Auction:** We need to wait to schedule auction until we ensure compliance with all abandoned boats. We can try to auction, then scrap remaining boats.
- d. Records Retention:** Beth is absent and can discuss at the next meeting.
- e. LCC Fee for Blues Event Fundraiser:** The RCD was approached asking for the LCC rental fee to be waived for the fundraiser for a community employee. The board agreed to waive the fee for this event.

**f. Water Meter Option for LCC:** The LLUD is offering an option water meter upgrade that would allow us to monitor water usage and potential leaks at LCC. The board does not wish to pursue this option.

**IX. Guest Comments:** Thank you to the Board, Possible volunteer.

**XIII. Motion to Adjourn:** Tim motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm and Norm seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [03-13-25-06]

**Next Board Meeting: April 17, 2025**

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