

Regular Meeting April 14th, 2022

Chairman Timothy Meekma called the Regular Meeting of the Fox Lake Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioners to order April 14th, 2022 at 9:06AM

Roll call:

Present: Timothy Meekma, Cherie Witkowski, Colleen Crane and Dale Macheel. Also present: Rob Frank (MCO), Kip Elliot (MCO) and Tracy Zemlo, Executive Director.

Absent was Ed Benter

Correspondence: NONE

Audience Participation: NONE

Minutes/Agenda:

Motion by C. Crane, second by D. Macheel to approve the minutes of March 10th, 2022 and the agenda for April 14th, 2022. All yes. Motion carried.

Financial Statement:

Motion by C. Witkowski, second by C. Crane to approve the financial statements. All yes. Motion carried.

Operator Report:

There were two after-hour service callouts in March at GS 7, LS 10 & LS 11. LS 9 there was an alarm, and it was determined the pump needed to be pulled. The pump was stuck on the base flange and the lifting loop broke while attempting to break it free. Sable Mechanical was working in the area and was able to get to the lift station within 45 minutes with a hoist truck. The pump was removed and found to be plugged with rags. After the rags were removed, the pump still did not operate, and a spare pump was installed. An estimate was received for a direct replacement pump from the same manufacturer and that cost seemed high, so a second estimate was received from another manufacturer. The cost for the other pump was considerably lower, however, piping the rail changes would be required. LS 6 replaced one start capacitor and one run capacitor in the Ronk phase converter. Replaced all UPS units that were more than three years old. LS 4 both pumps were pulled due to rags/debris caught in the impellers. LS 6 vacuum pump relay replaced. District computer taken to Inter-Quest to check for malware/phishing. All winter covers were removed from the grinder stations and lift stations.

WCC Report:

C. Witkowski reported the odor at air release valve and if filter is working at LS #6 and possibility of using monitoring equipment to track odors. Seepage cells are now in summer mode. Blower #2 is starting to leak oil and it is being watched. Doris Thiele will be making a site visit to the plant in the near future for the permit renewal and she is asking for some information on the monitoring wells.

Executive Director Report:

T. Zemlo reported **Lake Management Plan Update:** Velocity Sensors completely installed as of March 28th all 4 locations are up and running. Please see attached first lab reports. **NRCS Grant Application:** T. Zemlo submitted a grant funding proposal consideration to USDA NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants in the amount of \$50,000 for cover crop funding. T. Zemlo met with D. Macheel for some added guidance. D. Macheel shared some great key additions to the grant. The agency will be making selections by May 2nd and will execute the awards by August 18th. **DOC Outreach:** T. Zemlo received a letter from the warden at Fox Lake Correctional Institute with an invitation to become a member of the institutions community relations board. This board serves as a link between the institution and the surrounding community.

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County Report:

Dale M. reported Land and water had met on 3/28. D. Macheel asked the L&W regarding his voting rights with not living on the lake. Corey Drummond gave NRCS update. Tanya P will be permanently located in Dodge County at the FSA building. J. Bohonek went through the budget. Putting a station in to monitor the Rock River flow.

Alliance Report: T. Zemlo reported that Bill S informed the BOD that he gathered additional information regarding the Commodities Grant. Bill also talked with the Dodge County Farmers board. They liked the concept of the grant however the short timeline would be difficult to reach. Discussed possibly piggy backing with farmers for the sustainable foods. Bill will be meeting with FSF next week and will update board next month. A discussion took place regarding putting together some type of a list with conjunction with the farmers group to create a wish list for potential future grants. Jeff G. will be doing a PowerPoint at the Town of Trenton regarding the Alliance. Also, on April 4th he will be presenting to the City of Beaver Dam as well.

Town Report: Ed B. absent

Suggestions for next meeting: #1,2,3 and new #3

Motion made by C. Witkowski second by C. Crane pay bills. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by C. Crane, second by C. Witkowski to adjourn. All yes. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will follow the annual meeting on May 12th at 9:00am

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Zemlo/Executive Director