Chairman Timothy Meekma called the Regular Meeting of the Fox Lake Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioners to order on April 11th, 2019 at 9:00 AM.

**Roll call:**

Present: Timothy Meekma, Dale Macheel, Ed Benter, and Cheryl Witkowski. Absent: Colleen Crane

Also present: Rob Franck (MCO), Kip Elliot (MCO) and Michael Cypert, Manager/Coordinator.

**Correspondence:** None

**Audience Participation:** None

**Minutes/Agenda/Financial Statement:**

Motion by D. Macheel, second by C. Witkowski, to approve the minutes of March 7th, 2019 and the agenda for April 11th, 2019. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by C. Witkowski, second by E. Benter, to approve the Financial Statements for February 28th and March 31st 2019 with corrections. All yes. Motion carried.

**Operator Report:**

Kip reports all lift station & grinder station winter covers have been removed. Terry and Kip completed Lock Out/Tag Out and Machine Guarding training through MCO. The District boat, motor and trailer are now ready for the summer season. Kip televised sewer sanitary in the Blackhawk Trail & Howard Drive areas due to high run times and found two private laterals with breaks in them. M. Cypert has sent letters to the owners stating they have fifteen days to complete the repairs. Kip test-ran the District generator at LS 13. Kip replaced four start capacitors and two MARS relays in LS 18. All of the portable dewatering pumps have been serviced. The oldest pump does not operate reliably and should be replaced. All other maintenance is up to date.

R. Franck discussed the need for radio/antenna upgrades. Motion by C. Witkowski, second E. Benter, to contract with Energenecs for antenna and radio relocation (eight sites) for approximately $10,900.

**WCC Report:**

C. Witkowski reports the Wastewater Control Commission discussed one frozen lagoon, which is usual and R. Franck discussed high metals/copper levels.

**Manager/Coordinator Report:**

M. Cypert reports the drafted easement has been sent to Wesley Ray. A response has not yet been received. Todd Weik’s Slag plan has been sent to all board members and Charlie Nelson. Tom White stated we have until August concerning renting his land. Herbicide payments have been received and the DNR permit is complete. M. Cypert and T. Meekma will attend the Lakes Convention on Friday 4/12. Tim Perry received ~50 bags of cereal rye which he will use this year. His farms are in the Alto Creek watershed. Letters were sent to two residents concerning private lateral breaks. The 2019 Harvesting Contract has been signed and accepted. There will be an “Ag 101” event planning meeting this afternoon. I and Charlie Nelson are meeting in Beaver Dam with reps from Lake Sinissippi and Beaver Dam Lake. M. Cypert has begun working on the 2020-2021 annual budget. The Budget Committee should start meeting soon.

**County Report:**

D. Macheel reports on Dane County dredging (the cost is over $1 million). Jerry Hatfield gave a presentation on the longer growing season, climate change, and chisel plowing resulting in losing C on fields. The County has a new intern, Avery Johnson. The County is testing wells in Beaver Dam and Burnette. The farm with the unpermitted manure pit in Clyman is being sold. The Beaver Dam Lake Association updated its Lake Management Plan with a study conducted by UW-Madison.

**Town Report:**

E. Benter reports the Town is beginning its summer projects – Canada Island Road (~$120,000), Howard Drive from Hwy 33 through the Condos, and Blackhawk Trail from Maple Point through Perish Road. The City of Fox Lake Public Works is now operating the dam. All incumbent Town Board Members have been re-elected.

**Old business:**

1] Discussion/action High nitrates in surface/groundwater – all Board members will familiarize themselves with the Slag Comprehensive Plan.

2] Discussion/action BCE/FLCI Farm Update – waiting for response from Wesley Ray.

3] Discussion/action After Memorial Day Farm Tour – revised to be a social event at the Fox Lake Golf Course.

4] Discussion/action Manure Management Field Day for Lake Residents – Planning Committee will meet this afternoon.

5] Discussion/action Rags/debris in sanitary system – situation has improved. No rag incidents since Christmas Eve 2018.

6] Discussion/action Tom White Farm – M. Cypert will sent Tom White a letter asking clarifying questions.

7] Discussion/action UW- Stevens Point Lakes Convention – T. Meekma and M. Cypert will attend.

8] Discussion/action Lake Management Plan update – M. Cypert will contact BDLA.

**New business:**

1] Discussion/action Budget Committee – Committee will be the same as last year (C. Crane, T. Meekma, and M. Cypert).

2] Discussion/action of Manager/Coordinator salary - Tabled

Motion by C. Witkowski, second E. Benter, to pay the District’s bills. All yes. Motion carried.

Suggestions for the next agenda – Old business topics 1-4 (revised to “Ag 101” Event), 3, 6, 8, New business topics 1-2.

The next regular meeting will be May 9th, 2019.

Motion by E. Benter, second D. Macheel, to adjourn. All yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Cypert, Manager/Coordinator