Chairman Tim Meekma called the Regular Meeting of the Fox Lake Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioners to order on December 12th, 2019 at 9:00 AM.

**Roll call:**

Present: Tim Meekma, Ed Benter, Colleen Crane, Cheryl Witkowski, and Dale Macheel. Also present: Rob Franck (MCO), Kip Elliot (MCO), and Michael Cypert, Manager/Coordinator.

**Correspondence:** Received returned letter signed by C. Gallenberg

**Audience Participation:** None

**Minutes/Agenda:**

Motion by C. Witkowski, second by C. Crane, to approve the minutes of November 14th, 2019 and the agenda for December 12th, 2019. All yes. Motion carried.

**Financial Statement:**

Motion by C. Witkowski, second by D. Macheel, to approve the financial statement of November 30th, 2019. All yes. Motion carried.

**Operator Report:**

Kip reports there were four after-hours service calls in November. Kip replaced capacitor relay at GS 18. Kip found high run hours on GS 39. Clear water was flowing from owner’s lateral, which turned out to be from the toilet. Kip replaced starter overloads in GS 23 & 18. All other scheduled maintenance items are up to date.

**WCC Report:**

C. Witkowski reports the chart recorder was replaced. Copper is not presently an issue. The City of Fox Lake submitted its quarterly report. Weed spraying for the year has ended. Payments toward the sludge removal and liner replacement account will continue through 2020. The annual audit is complete.

**Manager/Coordinator Report:**

M. Cypert reports The Lake Planning Grant application has been submitted to the DNR. The temporary construction easement has been drafted by Steve Schmuki and submitted to DOC. We are currently waiting for DOC to provide the MOU concerning monitoring and maintenance. M. Cypert havs contacted Jane Zavoral multiple times asking for a timeline, but she has not provided one. M. Cypert has continually sent updates to Mitch Sands with Rep Plumer’s office with updates. Dave Fetzer submitted a contract for 2020. We currently have a $3,000 credit with Dave, so the deposit is $5,000 instead of $8,000. M. Cypert contacted Eco Waterway Services and inquired about a site visit. Their representative stated a site visit is free. The Dodge County Healthy Soil/Healthy Water is currently forming a structure that utilizes seven Executive Officers in order to become more organized. Nominations for those positions are currently being accepted by the entire Alliance membership. M. Cypert reached out to several police departments concerning their agencies’ policies related to outside employment for private security. I have been advised that any outside employment for a Dodge County Deputy would have to be approved by the Sheriff. Tim Meekma attended the FLPO meeting earlier this month. The FLPO will allot up to $6,000 for the Hammer Farm P reduction project depending on their final costs.

**County Report:** D. Macheel reports the Land and Water Conservation Department will be conducting a five-year, county-wide well testing program. The program requires an increase of $32,000 to the annual budget. An unpermitted animal waste storage facility in the Town of Fox Lake has contacted an engineer, who could not yet inspect due to weather. The County has granted a one month extension. Farmland Preservation is using new software. One farmer has been removed from the County’s program due to noncompliance.

**Town Report:**

E. Benter reports the Town is appointing Town Inspectors. The Town is also accepting nominations fort the spring election.

**Old business:**

1] Discussion/action High nitrates in surface/groundwater – Discussed

2] Discussion/action the Jug/DASH – Tabled, M. Cypert will create a “Jug Synopsis”

3] Discussion/action Lake Management Plan Update – Discussed

4] Discussion/action BCE/FLCI Farm Update – Discussed

5] Discussion/action Hammer’s Farm Project – Motion by C. Witkowski, second C. Crane, to contribute up to $6,000 to the Hammer’s Phosphorus reduction system contingent on completion of the project’s installation and the final cost showing a need for the funds. All yes. Motion carried.

**New business:**

1] Discussion/action Weed Harvesting Contract 2020 – Motion by C. Witkowski, seconds C. Crane, to accept mechanical harvesting contract with Midwest Aquatics. All yes. Motion Carried.

2] Discussion/action LW Allen Proposal – Discussed

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

The next regular meeting will be January 9th, 2019 at 9:00 AM.

Suggestions for next meeting, Old Business 1-4

Motion by C. Witkowski, second D. Macheel, to adjourn. All yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Cypert, Manager/Coordinator