

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes –August 23, 2022 – Held at McMurtrie Preserve

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on August 23, 2022 by Warren Wood.

· Roll call: Present - Warren Wood, Dan Early, Tom Deans, Jackie Elkin, Ted Johnson. Quorum Present.
Absent – Jim Reckinger, John Bonneprise.

· Approval of Agenda: **Motion to approve the agenda was made by Johnson, seconded by Elkin. Motion carried.**

· Public Comments: None

· Minutes: The minutes of the July 26, 2022 board meeting were reviewed. **Motion to approve the minutes was made by Early, seconded by Elkin. Motion carried.**

· Treasurer's Report: Dan Early presented the treasurer's report for August, 2022. The report showed a summary as follows:

Gross Available:	\$419,252.73
Non-lapsable fund balance:	\$57,593.44
Committed to alum treatment (CD)	\$249,755.09
Additional to CD	\$60,244.91
Committed to alum treatment (non CD)	\$0.00
Committed to grants:	\$43,406.47
Net Available Balance:	\$8,252.82

Members of the board discussed the report. Dan Early noted that some budgeted funds for 2022 not used were placed in the Non-lapsable fund for use on 2023 efforts, to help offset cost increases (e.g. Alum) and inflation. This was discussed at the July meeting and the annual meeting. **Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Wood, seconded by Early. Motion carried.**

· Business Items:

· Alum Treatment –The board discussed the recent algae bloom in the lake this past week. Dan Early exchanged emails August 21st and 22nd with Bill James, the District's alum consultant. James said that he will look at past and recent data from on-lake testing and get back to Dan in the next few days. Warren Wood mentioned that he would like to set up a meeting with James, either at the next board meeting or by "zoom", to discuss the recent bloom and future treatment plans. Sediment testing results by James will be available this fall. This will help to determine timing and dosage for the next alum treatment. The final report for the 2021 Alum Treatment prepared by Bill James is posted on the Cedar Lake website (<https://cedarlake-wi.org/>).

· AIS

– Clean Boats Clean Waters. Jackie Elkin, CBCW coordinator, mentioned that monitoring of both landings continues with no significant issues reported. If anyone is (or knows of someone who may be) interested in this paid position please let Jackie know at 612-801-6615.

–EWM. Jim Reckinger previously reported that there is little evidence of significant EWM growth so far this year. Because of turbid conditions in the lake visual monitoring has been suspended. Deans mentioned that he noticed a number of large floating mats of vegetation the 2nd week of August. The mats were composed of Coontail plants that had "uprooted" from the lake bottom and floated to the surface. Jim Reckinger talked with

Steve Scheifer, EWM consultant, who said this is not uncommon, is happening on other lakes and is a natural occurrence as plants reach maturity.

–Zebra Mussels. Nothing to report.

- Shoreland Zoning: Warren Wood indicated that there are no new issues reported in the last month.

Polk County has issued a publication entitled “Shoreland Property Owner Handbook” and it contains information for shoreland property owners. A copy of this handbook has been posted on the Cedar Lake Website (<https://cedarlake-wi.org/>).

- Lake Management Plan Update: This issue was tabled until the next meeting.
- Annual Meeting Review: The board discussed the Annual Meeting and agreed that it went reasonably well.
- Sandbar Buoy: Placing a navigational warning buoy at the sandbar was discussed. Early mentioned that he thought Emmet Meister might have an extra buoy that may be useable for this effort. The buoy would be marked “Shallow Water” or a similar warning. **Motion to place a Navigational Warning Buoy at the western point of the sandbar next year was made by Wood, seconded by Early. Motion carried.**

- Board Member Reports:

–Warren Wood mentioned that a tall wood pole has been installed at the north landing for a security light and camera. Ted Johnson said that there may be 2 cameras installed. The light and cameras are to be installed on or around September 6, 2022. The cameras are to have some type of recording capability, which is still being discussed by Alden Township.

–Warren Wood talked about the installation of fill at the north landing below the concrete ramp. Boaters that “power-on” cause this erosion hole. Johnson said he will talk with maintenance personnel at Alden Township about this issue.

–Warren Wood mentioned that he would like to express his gratitude to Dan Davison who left the board one year ago. All board members concurred. Dan was a board member and secretary for many years and contributed greatly to the efforts of the lake district. He was instrumental in bringing the board up-to-date on the latest technology for the website, reporting and communication. Dan continues to be very helpful and offers his advice and expertise to this day.

–Jackie Elkin discussed personnel working at the landing (and any other “paid” workers) as to whether they are covered by the District’s insurance coverage and whether they are considered “employees” or “contractors”. AIS board members, including Jackie, Dan Early and Jim Reckinger, will continued to research this issue and review options to address any measures the Lake District may have to take.

- Other Business: None

· Agenda for Next Meeting: Business items for the next meeting will include: Alum Treatment and Monitoring, AIS, Shoreland Zoning, Lake Management Plan Update, Board Member Reports, and Other Business.

· Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 27, 2022 at the McMurtrie Preserve (or Alden Town Hall) at 5:30 PM.

· Adjourn: **Motion to adjourn was made by Johnson, seconded by Elkin. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Tom Deans, Secretary