

**Rock Koshkonong Lake District**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Rock Koshkonong Lake District Board of Commissioners**

Date: June 25, 2015  
Location: Tallgrass Restoration - 3129 E County Road N, Milton, WI  
Present: Brian Christianson, Ray Lunder, Steve Proud, Joan Huedepohl, Jim Bowers  
Absent: Mary Mawhinney, Andy Walton  
Guest: Lisa Smithback - RKLD Audit Committee  
Frank Boucek - RKLD Audit Committee

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christianson at 6:04 P.M.
2. Meeting Notice and Agenda - The Chair confirmed that the meeting notice and agenda had been legally posted in the weekly newspapers, the Sanitary District and the RKLD web site. A motion was made by Steve Proud and seconded by Joan Huedepohl to approve the agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote.
3. Approval of May 14, 2015 Meeting Minutes - A copy of the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes was distributed to the attendees. The Chair asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing no objections a motion was made by Jim Bowers and seconded by Joan Huedepohl to approve the meeting minutes. The motion carried by a voice vote.
4. Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Lunder presented the financial status of the Lake District. A copy of the report is included. Treasurer Lunder noted that we now have only one operations checking account as we have merged the operation savings with operations checking as was noted in the January meeting minutes. The report was only for one month so that we could prepare for the Annual Meeting. There were no further questions.

<b>Treasurers Report</b>			
Meeting Date June 25, 2015			
Previous Meeting Date May 14, 2015			
<b>Section I, Operations Checking</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Beginning Checking Account, April 30, 2015 (7761)</b>			<b>\$129,393.54</b>
<b>Monthly Activity</b>			
May	\$9.78	\$16,685.90	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$9.78</b>	<b>\$16,685.90</b>	<b>-\$16,676.12</b>
<b>Checking Balance, May 31, 2015 (7761)</b>			<b>\$112,717.42</b>
<b>Section II, Operations Savings</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Account closed Nov 2014(4680)</b>			<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Section III, Dam Savings Transactional</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dam Savings Account Balance April 30, 2015 held at BMO Harris (2293)</b>			<b>\$70,288.53</b>
May	\$5.97	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$5.97</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5.97</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund May 31, 2015 held at BMO Harris (2293)</b>			<b>\$70,294.50</b>
<b>Section IV, Dam Savings MM BMO Harris</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dam Savings MM1 Account Balance April 30, 2015 held at BMO Harris (2407)</b>			<b>\$405,422.87</b>
May	\$34.43	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$34.43</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$34.43</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund May 31, 2015 held at BMO Harris (2407)</b>			<b>\$405,457.30</b>

<b>Section V, Dam Savings MM BMO Harris</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dam Savings MM2 Account Balance April 30, 2015 held at BMO Harris FSB (9826)</b>			<b>\$244,167.86</b>
May	\$20.74	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$20.74</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$20.74</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund May 31, 2015 held at BMO Harris FSB (9826)</b>			<b>\$244,188.60</b>
<b>Total all Segregated Dam Fund May 31, 2015 from all locations</b>			<b>\$719,940.40</b>
<b>Section VI, Lake Improvement BMO Harris</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Segregated Lake Improvement Fund Savings Account Balance April 30, 2015 held at BMO Harris (9295)</b>			<b>\$105,005.86</b>
May	\$8.92	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$8.92</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$8.92</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Lake Improvement Fund May 31, 2015 held at BMO Harris</b>			<b>\$105,014.78</b>
<b>Section VII, Grand Total All Funds</b>			
<b>Total of All Funds, May 31, 2015</b>			<b>\$937,672.60</b>

5. Old Business -

- Cost recovery Judgement against Town of Sumner - Chairman Christianson noted that we won the judgement and that there had not been any communication between the Chairman of the Town of Sumner and Chairman Christianson. The Chair noted that he was aware that there had been communication between Town of Sumner Chairman Dohner and some RKLD Board members. Commissioner Huedepohl noted she that had received a message from Chairman Dohner on May 27<sup>th</sup> seeing if we could pay for our own expenses. Commissioner Bowers also noted that he had taken a call from Chairman Dohner and that he advised Chairman Dohner that both the Lake District and Town of Sumner have counsel on this matter and it was not appropriate to talk. Chairman Christianson noted that there had not been any communication between our attorney's and Town of Sumner attorney's in some time. The Chair recommended that we take a formal vote to direct our counsel to contact the town board asking for the money due the Lake District. There was further discussion on this matter and it was noted that the actions from the Town of Sumner were a bit unconventional that neither the Chairman nor the Treasurer were contacted regarding this matter. The Board agreed by a voice vote to direct our legal counsel to contact Sumner legal counsel on this matter.

- Powerhouse Inspection/Dredge, Dam Boom Purchase- RKLD has received notice from the DNR that the 10 year dam inspection is complete. Commissioner Lunder was foreman for this job and he gave a brief description of what was accomplished. The trash gates go down 13 feet to a concrete pad. During the course of one week our contractor was able to clean down 13 feet and also out approximately 20 feet out from the racks. Copious amounts of limestone were discovered in this process. The work has had an extremely positive impact on flowage through the trash gates. A total of 16 tri-axels of material were pulled from in front of the racks. Chairman Christianson complimented Commission Lunder and also wanted to compliment Ray Davis from the DNR who was very patient and helpful to the District during this process demonstrating what can happen when two parties work together. The District has received the invoice for this work which has come in under budget for the work performed. There is one additional step to be taken and that is the installation of debris booms from the tip of the spillway by the powerhouse up river close to the road bridge that seal off the trash racks from floating debris and allow the current to push the debris over the spillway. It is the hope that this will keep the trash racks clean for an extended period of time. After adding in the cost of the booms to the excavation work, the project still came in close to \$8K under the RFP. Commissioner Lunder agreed to provide details for the Annual Newsletter.
- Kuehn Road Boat Launch - This was discussed at last month's Board meeting with Marc from Ultimate Excavating. Commissioner Bowers and other commissioner's noted that the action we take with this boat launch should be consistent with future actions on other public boat launches. There was much discussion with the Board on this topic. Chairman Christianson noted that the mission statement of the Lake District is to protect the future of the IndianFord dam and that is accomplished; raise the water levels nominally to improve safety, navigation and recreation which the State Supreme Court agrees with RKLD. Next is to invest the taxpayer's resources in the public facilities so this is a logical move. A motion was made by Ray Lunder and seconded by Steve Proud to explore the cost and process to improve the Kuehn Road boat launch. The motion carried with a voice vote. Chairman Christianson will contact our legal counsel to review several matters on this motion and will report back at the July board meeting.
- Annual Meeting Prep - The Board reviewed a copy of the budget that will be presented at the Annual Meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>. The appropriation of \$2K for boater safety came up and the Board discussed the installation of buoys. Commissioner Bowers reviewed the different types of buoys available. After discussion on both slow no wake and obstruction buoys the Board agreed to budget \$8K for boater safety to purchase buoys. The budget was modified to accommodate the purchase of the buoys. A copy of the budget has been sent to Attorney O'Connor for review. Commissioner Proud will be responsible for registration at the Annual Meeting. Treasurer Lunder will not be present at the Annual Meeting. The Treasurer and the Audit Committee will meet with Summit Accounting on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was determined the Commissioner Proud will present the budget at the Annual Meeting with backup from the Audit Committee. Treasurer Lunder will be responsible for creation of the Power Point for the meeting.

## 6. New Business -

- Open Records Request - The Chair reviewed a letter received from the legal firm of Axley Brynelson on behalf of Linn Duesterback and attorney Buck Sweeney making an open records request regarding all information of the economic impact report that was drafted by UW-Whitewater and Dr. Russ Kashian. This was turned over to Lake District Counsel O'Connor. The Lake District will comply with everything that is in the letter on the open

records request. We have very little information. A similar letter was sent to UW-Whitewater. It is very unfortunate that the attorneys representing the Lake Koshkonong Wetland Association and Thiebeau Hunting Club are using open records request as a political weapon rather than just funding their own economic impact study.

7. Public Participation - Frank Boucek commented that he felt this was one of the best meetings he had ever attended as there was much discussion on safety.
8. Meeting Adjournment - A motion was made by Chairman Christianson and seconded by Steve Proud to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried by a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M. The next meeting will be July 16<sup>th</sup>.