

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

Date: January 15, 2015  
Location: Tallgrass Restoration – 3129 E County Road N, Milton, WI  
Present: Brian Christianson, Ray Lunder, Steve Proud, Joan Huedepohl  
Absent: Mary Mawhinney, Jim Bowers, Andy Walton  
Guest: Kerry Hull (Fulton Township in Andy Walton absence  
Capt. Henry Sautin, Ryan Peterson – Rock River Safety Patrol  
Frank Boucek – RKLD Audit Committee

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christianson at 6:00 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 November 13, 2014 Meeting Minutes – The Chair noted that the November meeting minutes had been posted on the web site and asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing no objections a motion was made by Joan Huedepohl and seconded by Ray Lunder 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. In his report, he detailed how the Operations Savings Account will be closed. With the exception of an outstanding invoice to Godfrey & Kahn, all invoices for 2014 are paid and everything is up to date. After the year closes, the Treasurer will take any leftover funds from the operational checking and savings account and transfer those monies to the segregated funds account. Since the interest amounts being paid are so low, the Operations Savings Account will be closed. The Chair then noted that if we so desire we can pay for the upcoming G.M.S. Excavating invoice as well as the medallions on Interstate 90 from the Segregated Lake Improvement Fund. The Treasurer then stated that if we wanted we could pay for the Dam repair work as well as the electrical work performed at the dam from the Dam Savings. The Treasurer noted that the electrical repair work at the dam had already been paid from the Operational Checking Account. Commissioner Proud inquired as to the cost of the dam

repair work. Chairman Christianson noted that this work should cost the Lake District a shade under \$60,000. A copy of the Treasurer's report is below.

<b>Treasurers Report</b>			
Meeting Date January 15, 2015			
Previous Meeting Date Nov 13, 2014			
<b>Section I, Operations Checking</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Beginning Checking Account, Oct 31, 2014 (7761)</b>			<b>\$26,212.77</b>
<b>Monthly Activity</b>			
November	\$10,870.37	\$10,681.78	
December	\$10,286.25	\$26,070.62	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$21,156.62</b>	<b>\$36,752.40</b>	<b>-\$15,595.78</b>
<b>Checking Balance, Dec 31, 2014 (7761)</b>			<b>\$10,616.99</b>
<b>Section II, Operations Savings</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Beginning Interest Savings Acct Oct 31, 2014 (4680)</b>			<b>\$9,851.66</b>
November	\$30.41	\$0.00	
December	0.09	\$9,882.07	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$30.50</b>	<b>\$9,882.07</b>	<b>-\$9,851.57</b>
<b>Savings Balance (4680) October 31, 2014</b>			<b>\$0.09</b>
<b>Total of checking and Savings Dec 31, 2014</b>			<b>\$10,617.08</b>

<b>Section III, Dam Savings Transactional</b>			
	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Charges</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Dam Savings Account Balance Oct 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris (2293)</b>			<b>\$70,253.68</b>
November	\$5.77	\$0.00	
December	\$5.97	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$11.74</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$11.74</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund December 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris (2293)</b>			<b>\$70,265.42</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 Oct 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris (2407)</b>			<b>\$405,221.88</b>
November	\$33.31	\$0.00	
December	\$34.42	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$67.73</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$67.73</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund December 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris (2407)</b>			<b>\$405,289.61</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 Oct 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris FSB (9826)</b>			<b>\$244,046.81</b>
November	\$20.06	\$0.00	
December	\$20.73	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$40.79</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$40.79</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Dam Fund December 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris FSB (9826)</b>			<b>\$244,087.60</b>
<b>Total all Segregated Dam Fund December 31, 2014 from all locations</b>			<b>\$719,642.63</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 Oct 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris (9295)</b>			<b>\$94,954.24</b>
November	\$10,008.19	\$0.00	
December	\$8.91	\$0.00	
<b>Totals from statements</b>	<b>\$10,017.10</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$10,017.10</b>
<b>Total of Segregated Lake Improvement Fund December 31, 2014 held at BMO Harris</b>			<b>\$104,971.34</b>
<b>Section VII, Grand Total All Funds</b>			
<b>Total of All Funds, December 31, 2014</b>			<b>\$835,231.05</b>

## 5. Old Business –

- Powerhouse Inspection/Trash Rack Dewater/Dredge Retain Contractor – Chairman Christianson noted that the bid received from G.M.S. Excavators, Inc. of Edgerton had been posted on the district web site. G.M.S. was the only firm to respond to our request for proposal for the work to be performed at the dam. The Chair noted that Commissioner Bowers had met with representatives from G.M.S. on January 14<sup>th</sup> at the dam. Commissioner Bowers is going to be the point person for the Lake District on this project. The next step is for G.M.S. to put together an engineering diagram. As soon as the DNR approves everything work can begin. It is expected that the work will take anywhere from 3–5 days to complete depending on the findings after the trash rack area has been dewatered. The Chair felt that we should have a formal vote to approve the bid even though we only had one response to the RFP. Chairman Christianson made a motion to approve the bid received from G.M.S. that was seconded by Steve Proud. Commissioner Lunder then asked what efforts were being taken so that this does not become a yearly project. Chairman Christianson stated the District is working with the DNR to determine the best method to re-direct any materials that float down river over the spillway. Hearing no further discussion, the motion carried by a voice vote.
- Buoy Issues – Capt. Sautin and Ryan Peterson from the Rock River Safety Patrol were guests at the meeting and Chairman Christianson took a few minutes to provide a little background on what the District has in mind. This has been documented in previous meeting minutes. It was noted that you have to have DNR permits to install buoys. With research by the district’s legal counsel it has been determined the Town of Fulton has a permit and they do their buoy installs and Town of Koshkonong has a DNR permit for buoy placement. You have to have a permit to install hazard, obstruction, marker or slow no wake buoys. The official permit application must be accompanied by specific GPS sites. William O’Connor, legal counsel for the district is going to apply with the DNR for the Lake District for a permit to install hazard and marker buoys. RKLD will purchase sanctioned buoys and will sub-contract with someone to install the hazard buoys. Capt. Sautin raised the issue that it may make sense for the RRSP to manage this process. The concern with this becomes who is responsible for paying RRSP for this process and the issue with the large buoys fitting in the RRSP patrol boat. Capt. Sautin went on to detail trouble areas in the lake. Further discussion centered on potential liability regarding buoys. Ryan Peterson from RRSP cited that State Statue 859 regarding recreational immunity and as long as there is no malicious intent regarding the placement of the markers, there is no liability. The Chair noted that legal counsel as well as the Lake District’s insurance carrier had come to the same conclusion. Discussion on this topic continued for some time. The Chair concluded by saying that we would work with RRSP on this project assuming that RKLD receives a permit for buoy placement from the DNR.
- Grant Applications – Chairman Christianson and Rob Montgomery have a meeting with the DNR in Madison on Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> to get some feeling of the DNR’s desire to work together on some of the big projects around the lake.

## 6. New Business –

- Equipment Purchase – Treasurer Lunder indicated that the Lake District has the opportunity to purchase a projection unit that could be used for future presentations and the unit could be left at Tallgrass for their internal use. A motion was made by Steve Proud and seconded by Joan Huedepohl to approve the purchase as long as the purchase does not exceed \$200. The motion carried by a voice vote.

## 7. Public Participation – There was no Public Participation

8. Meeting Adjournment – A motion was made by Joan Huedepohl and seconded by Ray Lunder to adjourn the meeting that was carried by a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Meeting P.S – On a somber note, the Lake District learned later that evening of the unexpected passing of Frank Micale, one of the founding fathers of the RKLD. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Micale family.