

JUNE 18, 2020
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES
ROCK KOSHKONONG LAKE DISTRICT

Chair Alan Sweeney called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M. Board of Commissioner members present were Secretary Jim Jelinek, Steve Proud (by phone), Jim Bowers, Kerry Hull and Michael Shumaker along with several district members.

Sweeney confirmed the meeting agendas were posted.

APPROVE AGENDA: A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to approve the June 18, 2020 agenda passed, all voted in favor.

APPROVE MINUTES: A Proud/Jelinek motion to approve the May 7, 2020 minutes passed, all voted in favor.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA: Bill Burlingame stated that he received a letter from the RKLD attorney stating that previous Chairperson Steve Proud does not have or will not provide the requested public records. Burlingame stated if Steve Proud does not have this information and he has already disposed of it and he is aware that he broke state law, I would ask Steve Proud to resign. He is not doing anyone any favors by disposing of all public records from the past.

BILLS LIST: A Shumaker/Bowers motion to approve the bills list in the amount of \$31,495.36 passed, all voted in favor.

TREASURERS REPORT: Chairperson Alan Sweeney presented the attached Treasurer's report. DAM Fund CD #2 matures on July 9, 2020.

A Hull/Jelinek motion give Treasurer Mark Meyers the authority to roll DAM Fund CD #2 as Mark sees fit passed, all voted in favor.

A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to approve the bills list and treasurer's report passed, all voted in favor.

A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to table the Summit Accounting completing the RKLD Annual Audit until the next meeting passed, all voted in favor.

Bill Burlingame presented lake district parcel information gathered from the townships along with the changes to the voting restrictions.

The committee discussed property owner/elector verification and ballot process options for the annual meeting. Sweeney proposed a voting certificate that would be completed by the voter. Shumaker recommended adding the county information to the proposed voter certificate.

A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to table the decisions for the annual meeting and to allow Chairperson Alan

Sweeney to bring the necessary documents to make decisions on the annual meeting passed, all voted in favor.

INDIANFORD DAM REPORT: Sweeney stated the DNR was awarded as grant eligible and placed on the priority funding list with a maximum of \$400,000 grant funds. Per the restrictions, the project will need to be bid by September 10th.

LANDING AND LAKE ACCESS: Jelinek and Bowers will be meeting with Dane County Parks to discuss the possible purchase

Bill Burlingame reviewed the DNR study completed on the landings and parking available within the District. The DNR concluded that there are adequate landings with the minimum number of parking spaces required. Ryan Peterson, Rock River Safety Patrol, cited the DNR law that townships cannot block the parking spots on the public road adjacent to the landing.

Shumaker stated boating traffic in the lake district has increased due to the restrictions on the COVID-19.

LAKE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT: Adam Walton presented informational photos on the water conditions under the railroad bridge. The dangers he reviewed include low water, pylons beneath the water, and lack of channel markers and lighting.

Alan Sweeney stated the railroad has suggested they will install lighted markers if provided. Bowers stated there should be channel markers installed to alleviate the dangers. Shumaker will research options

John Dohner stated in the past Town of Sumner provided a \$1500 check to the RKLD for the dredge project on Mud Lake. The past chairperson stated it was not to be cashed and given back to the township. Proud verified the check was cashed and believes the money given to the safety patrol. John Dohner confirmed it was not. If the amount is returned, the Town of Sumner indicated it will be used for road improvement.

A Shumaker/Bowers motion to repay the Town of Sumner \$1500 pending verification passed, all voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Justin Schultz stated at the 2019 RKLD annual meeting and election, he signed a physical affidavit verifying eligibility for voting.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

- Mike Shumaker reviewed the stay received from the DNR regarding the 2 1/2" water raise. It includes the study work completed and requests additional time to continue research due to the high water.
- Jim Jelinek followed up on parking and boat landings. He stated it is difficult to post and it is getting worse at least 45 minutes to an hour wait to launch a boat. It is frustrating
- Steve Proud requested town board chairpersons around the lake work for additional economic

development. He stated we need to be looking at more boat landings to support the businesses to bring more tax dollars to all townships.

Being no other business before the board, a Jelinek/Bowers motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.