

# Rock Koshkonong Lake District

Board of Commissioners

September 17, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Edgerton City Hall

12 Albion St.

Edgerton WI 53534

1. Call to Order
2. Confirmation of Meeting Public Notice
3. Approval of Agenda (action)
4. Approval Draft August 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes (action)
5. Public Participation (agenda items only)
6. Treasurers Report
  - Bills and Invoices (discussion/action)
7. Indianford Dam Report
  - Water Control Project (discussion)
  - Dam Maintenance (discussion)
8. Lake Management
  - Buoy and Marker Status (discussion/action)
  - USGS Flood Forecast Service (discussion)
9. Landings and Lake access
  - Landings (discussion)
  - Town of Albion Landing Sponsorship Request (discussion/action)
10. Public Participation
11. Comments from Commissioners
12. Adjourn

**DRAFT - NOT APPROVED**  
**AUGUST 20, 2020**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**  
**ROCK KOSHKONONG LAKE DISTRICT**

Chair Alan Sweeney called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Board of Commissioner members present were Treasurer Mark Meyer, Supervisor Kerry Hull, Jim Jelinek, Bill Burlingame, Michael Hart and Mike Shumaker, along with several district members.

Sweeney confirmed the meeting agendas were posted.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to approve the August 20, 2020 agenda passed, all voted in favor.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Meyer requested the Summit Annual Audit description be changed to compilation to avoid confusion on report presented at the annual meeting.

A Meyer/Sweeney motion to approve the July 16, 2020 minutes passed, all voted in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Meyer presented the Treasurer's report (see attached).

A Jelinek/Meyer motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the bills list in the amount of \$5,808.32 as provided passed, all voted in favor.

**INDIANFORD DAM REPORT:** Sweeney presented the proposal by Mead & Hunt to complete the final design of discharge capacity. The proposal would include the historical review, final designs for electrical, concrete repair and deck modifications. Other items included for the stability of the powerhouse, performance requirements for gate operators, bid work, and permitting. Archaeological surveys and investigation were not included in the proposal.

Shumaker recommended adding a higher angle for the trash rack design.

A Jelinek/Shumaker motion to approve the complete final design of discharge capacity passed, all voted in favor.

**LANDING AND LAKE ACCESS:** The committee discussed parameters for any future landing or lake access project.

A Burlingame/Hull motion to approve the parameters for the Rock Koshkonong Lake District regarding any landing or lake access project to include the following:

1. Rock Koshkonong Lake District will not own any landing or lake access.
2. Rock Koshkonong Lake District will not maintain any landing or lake access.
3. Each project must have a local government sponsor. The definition of a local government sponsor is a taxable entity such as local municipality, county, or state.
4. Projects reviewed would be for public boat landings only, no private landing or access.
5. Proposals would require approval by the Rock Koshkonong Lake District

**LAKE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT:**

A Burlingame motion to appoint Michael Hart, Mike Shumaker, and Bill Burlingame to the Dam Committee

passed, all in favor.

A Jelinek/Sweeney motion to appoint Jim Jelinek, Kerry Hull and Bill Burlingame to the Landings & Boater Safety & Lake Management committee passed, all voted in favor.

A Burlingame/Jelinek motion to appoint Meyer/Sweeney to the Financial Committee passed, all voted in favor.

**LAKE MANAGEMENT:** Meyer requested the district approve funds to investigate and determine if there is downstream siltation caused by I90 bridge project, as presented by an elector at the annual meeting. Meyer stated this is in line with the RKLD mission statement. He recommended contacting the DNR to start the review and take measurements of the siltation upstream and downstream.

Jelinek and Hart stated the area the elector referred to has had siltation issues in the past.

A Meyer/Burlingame motion to allocate \$2,500 to contact the DNR for the investigation and determination of downstream siltation caused by I90 bridge project passed, all in favor.

Sweeney presented the Dane County plan partnering with agricultural land owners to reduce phosphorus and water clarity. He recommended the RKLD to explore the options available and funding options.

Sweeney is researching the Surface Water Aquatic Invasive Species Grant program and if the district can be involved in the program. He stated it may be an education piece but will discuss his findings at a future meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Justin Schultz stated the Lake Koshkonong Wetland Association approved \$2500 to co-sponsor a study about the Indianford Dam improving the large trees over the spillway.

**COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:**

- Sweeney recommended a future meeting agenda to make a written policy for eligible voters to be used in the future.

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

## Rock Koshkonong Lake District September 2020 Financial Report

Dam Fund CD1	\$	238,471.56	matures 2-19-2021
Dam Fund MM	\$	<u>470,546.57</u>	
<b>Dam Fund Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>709,018.13</b>	<b>\$700K water control</b>

<b>Lake Improvement MM</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>107,153.63</b>	<b>\$100K boat landings</b>
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### General Fund Balance and Activity

<b>8-13-2020 Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>90,862.23</b>	
Jeff Bartz- Annual Meeting Sound System	\$	(200.00)	
C&M Printing- Annual Meeting packets	\$	(277.04)	
The Reporter	\$	(32.40)	
Alan Sweeny - Annual Meeting Supplies	\$	(212.97)	
C&M Printing- Annual Meeting	\$	(55.70)	
Town Of Sumner	\$	(1,563.95)	
Kim Bothom- August Dam Operation	\$	(1,200.00)	
Deposit taxes	\$	140.40	
Deposit taxes	\$	330.00	
<b>8-31-2020 Adjusted Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>87,790.57</b>	
John Hellar- Spring Buoy Placement	\$	(425.00)	
Summit Accounting	\$	(2,100.00)	
<b>9/17/2020 Adjusted Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>88,337.23</b>	

### Notes:

Up to \$2500 allocated from 2021 new initiatives to investigate I90 downstream siltation.

\*WIDNR inquiry has been made.

Water Control Project- Request for Quotations- plan forward

Need Railroad Bridge Light Quote/Order

Need to evaluate buoy condition when removed this fall and repair/replace

NOAA to provide daily water level forecast. Ongoing discussions are positive.

\*Complimentary letter received from State Representative Don Vruwink regarding RKLD.

## Fw: Bingham Boat Landing

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From: ALAN SWEENEY (alan.sweeney@co.rock.wi.us)

To: jenny.salvo@yahoo.com

Date: Monday, September 14, 2020, 07:36 AM CDT

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**From:** JHaneWall <JHaneWall@townofalbion.net>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 8, 2020 9:32 AM

**To:** ALAN SWEENEY

**Subject:** Bingham Boat Landing

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The Town of Albion is requesting that RLKD sponsor the construction of the Bingham Rd. Boat Landing including grant applications, engineering, and construction.

Bob Venske, Chairman  
Town of Albion

Julie HaneWall, Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Albion, Dane County  
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The town of Albion would also like RLKD's lawyer to write the offer to purchase for the 2 acres of land from Oaklawn Academy pending receiving grants from Dane County and Stewardship programs.

Bob Venske, Chairman  
Town of Albion

Julie HaneWall, Clerk/Treasurer  
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Fw: RKLD

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From: ALAN SWEENEY (alan.sweeney@co.rock.wi.us)

To: baburlingame@charter.net; hull.farms17@hotmail.com; jenny.salvo@yahoo.com; jimrjelinek@gmail.com; m.meyer@stategroup.com; mike@newvilleautosalvage.com; michaelgms75@gmail.com

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 05:23 PM CDT

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Email from Danielle

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**From:** Danielle Thompson <danielle@dtlegal.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020 12:01 PM

**To:** ALAN SWEENEY

**Subject:** RE: RKLD

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Hi Al:

Generally, your landing policy is workable. It is a bit complicated because a vote by the electors is required to authorize the District to buy and sell property. Is there a reason the Town of Albion doesn't want to take ownership of the property initially? What type of grant are you considering? The grant program may dictate who should own the property initially and apply for the grant funds. The District will want to memorialize its arrangement with the Town of Albion in a binding agreement or MOU. Assuming an agreement is signed regarding the expectations of both parties, I would not be concerned with being one on the grant application to ensure receipt of funding since we are dealing with another public entity.

As to the work on the project, you are correct that the District will need to put the project out for bids given the anticipated cost.

If you would prefer to discuss further via phone or in-person, please feel free to give the office a call so we can put something on the calendar.

Best regards,

*Danielle H. Thompson*

*Attorney/Mediator*

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