

Eagle Spring Lake Management District
Regular Meeting
January 16, 2024

Minutes

Chairperson, called the meeting of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District (ESLMD) to order at 6:30pm, and led with the pledge of allegiance. Other Commissioners in attendance were Tom Day, Chris Hinz, Nancy Wilhelm, Town of Eagle Representative Ryan Hajewski, and Waukesha County Representative Lance Matthews. Commissioner Tom Tynes was excused.

Approval of Agenda – A Motion was made by T. Day to approve the January 16, 2024 agenda with the addition to line item 7a to include the word “permit” be added between the words Harvesting and Extension on the agenda; motion was seconded and carried.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – T. Day made a **Motion** to approve the December 19, 2023, Board meeting minutes as written; motion was seconded and carried.

Announcements and Upcoming Meetings

- On January 5, 2024, the federal emergency management agency will be taking nominees to serve on a review board on the Bric Grant Process.
- Wisconsin Lakes is now taking nominations for crew 15 lake leader program. Nominations for lake leaders must be in by February 1, 2024.
- There will be a seminar by Wisconsin Lakes Crew 7 (Woodruff and Baraboo) on September 10-11, 2024.

Public Comment – There were no public comments.

Aquatic Growth Harvesting/Collecting/Chemical Treatment – Discussion

Harvesting Permit Extension Request – Discussion/Action – T. Day made a **Motion** to send a letter to the DNR, requesting an extension of our harvesting permit operations, that will allow us to collect floaters up to and including October 31 of the year; motion was seconded and carried.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters (CB/CW) Status – Discussion

Additional Training Options – Discussion/Action – N. Wilhelm made a **Motion** to have our CB/CW employee take the first aid/CPR course and pay him for his time taking the course; motion was seconded and carried.

Smartphone Loaner Case Program – Discussion/Action – Discussion was held on a program to loan out protective cases for cell and smart phones

Carp Initiative/Fishery Issues Discussion – The lake district was investigating a large patch in the middle of the lake that was open despite the frigid temperatures.

Weather Station Discussion – Spring flooding is not forecast at present.

Wambold Dam/Kroll Outlet – Discussion – None at this time.

Legislative/Regulatory Issues Discussion –

Proposed Changes to Chapter 33 – None at this time.

Water Patrol – Discussion – R. Hajewski handed out a memo from the Town of Eagle Chairperson, Chris Mommaerts discussing the lake patrol jurisdiction. Along with the paperwork that is sent into the state at the end of the year, they also sent their intention of having a lake patrol for 2024. Chris Mommaerts is working on several different options.

Update on December 22, 2023, Hearing on Waukesha Circuit Court Case Number 2021CV001294 – Discussion – The judge ruled in our favor on all motions. A request was made for a closed session discussion to discuss some imminent matters.

Update on General Records Schedule Approval and Records Destruction – Discussion/Action – Records have been removed from rental storage location pending final disposition.

Approval of Final Open Records Procedure – Discussion/Action – Nothing at this time.

Treasurer's Report on Financial Procedures Implementation – The Treasurer prepared a written financial report for the Board. The report contained a summary memo, as of December/January monthly reports, end of year 2023 report, and a check detail. The Treasurer will go over this report at the February meeting.

HR Policy Manual and Employee Guide – Discussion on this item has been postponed to a future date.

New Business

Development of Bid Specifications for Kroll Outlet Tree Removal- Discussion/Action – C. Hinz made a **Motion** to approve the bid specifications for tree removal on the Kroll district property; motion was seconded and carried.

Electronic Newsletter Production and Distribution – Discussion/Action – It was suggested that an electronic newsletter that would go out in between our printed newsletters. N. Wilhem made a **Motion** to approve an electronic newsletter to be prepared and sent out in between our written newsletters; motion was seconded carried.

Wisconsin Water Week Activities

Wisconsin Lakes Convention Registration(s) – Discussion/Action – Registration should be opening soon.

PFD Safety Media Program Support – Discussion/Action - A **Motion** was made by N. Wilhelm to support the production of a public service announcement in cooperation with other groups and agencies on the use of personal flotation devices; motion was seconded and carried.

False Activation of Lake District Fire Assistance Notification – Discussion – There was an auto call dispatch that alerted those on our emergency lake assistance to report at the boat launch to help. The error in the communication alert system was changed so that these people are only for fires on our lake. This should prevent similar future events from happening.

Financial Update & Payment of Bills – Discussion/Action – N. Wilhelm made a **Motion** to pay the bills; motion was seconded and carried.

Executive Session– At 7:14pm T. Day made a **Motion** go into Executive Session under 19.85 (1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The Board will not reconvene into open session. Second by R. Hajewski, motion carried with the votes as follows: Lance Matthews – Yes, Nancy Wilhelm – Yes, Chris Hinz – Yes, Peter Jensen - Yes, Tom Day – Yes, and R. Hajewski – Yes.

At 7:43 T. Day made a **Motion** to end closed session; motion carried.

Adjourn – At 7:43pm, T. Day made a **Motion** to adjourn; motion was seconded and carried.

Christine Hinz
ESLMD