



Eagle Spring Lake
Management District
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By Tom Day

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Annual Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
2. Approval of August 3, 2024 Minutes
3. Activity Reports (Refer to July Newsletter)
 - a. Dam Operations/Lake Water Level
 - b. District Properties
 - c. Aquatic Plant (AP) Management
 - AP Harvesting/Collecting
 - Chemical Treatments
 - d. Audit - Jan. 1, 2024 - Dec. 31, 2024
 - e. Carp Initiative/Fishery Issues
4. Election of Commissioners
5. Approval of 2026 Budget/Financial
 - a. Approval of Res. 2025-01 Budget 2026
 - b. Approval of Res. 2025-02 Levy 2026
 - c. Approval of Res. 2025-03 Conflict of Interest Waiver
 - d. Approval of Res 2025-04 Bypass Bidding Requirements on Fireworks Display
 - e. Approval of Res 2025-05 Emergency Line of Credit
7. New Business
 - a. Ordinance Restricting Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement
 - b. Other
8. Adjourn

NOTICE: Please be advised that agenda items may be taken in an order other than which appears here, and that the Eagle Spring Lake Management District members may choose to take action on any item listed on this agenda.

Eagle Spring Lake Management District's

**Annual Meeting
Saturday, August 2, 2025
9:00 a.m.**

In the Eagle Municipal Building

Please bring this Newsletter to the meeting!!!

Legal Notice

Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given per §33.30 (2)(a) that the Eagle Spring Lake Management District will hold its Annual Meeting of the District and shall conduct an Election of two commissioners on August 2, 2025 at 9:00 AM CDT at the Eagle Municipal Building, 820 East Main Street, Eagle WI 53119.

Election of Commissioners

An election will be held at the Annual Meeting to fill **two positions** created by the **expiring terms of John Mann and Tom Day**.

Contact someone from the nominating committee if you are interested in running, otherwise nominations will be taken from the floor. If you would like to be listed on the ballot, please contact Gina at admin@eaglespringlake.us or call (262) 594-3583 by July 18th. Tom Day has expressed interest in having his name on the ballot.

Nominating Committee: Dave Byrnes (262) 378-0307, Martin Frith (630) 730-9502 & Jeff Prokop (414) 573-3351.

Legal Notice

Organizational Meeting

Notice is hereby given per §33.27 (3) that the Eagle Spring Lake Management District will hold an Organizational Meeting of the District immediately following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting for the purpose of electing Officers for 2025-26 on August 2, 2025 at the Eagle Municipal Building, 820 East Main Street, Eagle WI 53119. For the agenda, please visit our website at <http://www.eaglespringlake.us/district-info>.

Unapproved Minutes - August 3, 2024

1&2. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag - Peter Jensen, chairperson called the Annual Meeting of the Eagle Spring Lake Management District to order at 9:00am and led with the pledge of allegiance. Board members present were Peter Jensen (Chairperson), Tom Day (Commissioner), Chris Hinz (Secretary), Nancy Wilhelm (Commissioner), Tom Tynes (Treasurer), Town of Eagle Representative Ryan Hajewski, and Waukesha County Representative Lance Matthews.

There were a total of 113 residents in attendance.

3. Approval of Agenda - Greg Himebauch made a **Motion** to approve the agenda as presented in the July Newsletter; second by Mary Donovan, motion carried.

4. Administrative Announcements - Handouts were available at the tables near the outside boarder of the room. Everyone was instructed to use the microphone at the front of the room when making their comments and state their name and address for the record. Everyone should have registered and received their ballot.

5. Approval of the August 5, 2023 Minutes - T. Day made a **Motion** to approve the August 5, 2023 minutes with two name corrections (misspelled) in the Newsletter; second by John Mann, motion carried.

6. Lake District Electors Comments - A Lake resident expressed concern that the budget may not be allowing enough funds for lake patrol. We have to pay for the expenses of 2024 & 2025 patrol season in the year of 2025.

7. Activity Reports

a) Chairperson's Report - We now have financial controls in place that now make us Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) compliant. We have assembled an Employee Handbook and Employee Safety Plan. We are now advertising (for a fee) in our newsletter as a way to help offset the costs of the newsletter and attempting to add an electronic newsletter in addition to the two standard U.S. mailed newsletters. Nancy Wilhelm gave a brief overview of the district's website.

b) Dam Operations (Per Handout) - Dam Op-

erators report from August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024 was available for residents to read.

c) Resident Survey in Preparation for Lake Management Plan - In 2011, the last complete overhaul to the District's Lake Management Plan was done. Residents were asked as to what they would want from their lake.

d) Aquatic Plant Management - Due to warmer than normal winter and lack of snow/ice, we experienced a plant die off (that normally occurs under the ice) in early spring once the ice went off the lake.

e) Water Patrol - An agreement was negotiated between the Town of Eagle and Town of Troy to provide lake patrol on the lake this summer. The lake district is expected to reimburse the Town of Eagle for such costs. There are some issues that will need to be resolved if we continue to use Troy's Lake patrol.

f) Audit Report - Jan.1, 2023 - Dec. 31, 2023 - A special thank you was given to Tony Hofeld for his look at the records. An official audit of the records was not performed and it was projected that if we are going to apply for federal funding, we would take the prior 3 year records in for audit at that time.

8. Election of Commissioner - The meeting was turned over to Secretary Chris Hinz who asked all residents to please make sure they filled out their registration form and have a ballot. Chris asked if there were any nominations from the floor. After 3 calls, and no further nominations from the floor. Nominee Peter Jensen gave a short speech on insurance reviews and how he has saved us money. Nominee Allen Kroll, has lived here on the lake since late 2018. He has a background in biology/science, environment/waste management for 24 years, and has some experience with permit writing and interpreting regulations. Tom Day made a **Motion** to close nominations; second by Mary Donovan, motion carried. Ballots were then cast and collected and counted. Election results were

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26 votes for Peter Jensen and 87 votes for Allen Kroll. Allen Kroll was elected for a 3-year term.

9. **Treasurer's Budget Presentation and Approval** – T. Tynes presented the 2025 proposed budget. We are managing the financials with accuracy, efficiency, and transparency and are now GAAP compliant. In 2023, we had unfavorable balances in both Legal Fees and Dam Construction and this was partially offset by less spending in other areas. Ski Channel property loan was paid off in 2023. The 2024 actuals and 2025 proposed budget were briefly discussed. Janet Prokop made a **Motion** to amend the 2025 proposed budget to increase the levy by \$13,000 for possible additional funds needed for lake patrol expenses (2024 & 2025); second by Nick Wambach, motion carried unanimously. We owe Eagle for 2024 lake patrol in January of 2025, and the lake district will be responsible for all lake patrol billing as it occurs in 2025. Other possible out of the ordinary upcoming costs in the next several years will be for an aquatic plant control study (approximately \$13,000), replacement of some buoys, lake patrol, and purchase of a new/used harvesting truck.

10. Resolutions

- a) **Approval of Resolution for Amended Budget 2024.** Barbara Pinekenstein made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-01 to adjust 2024 Budget; second by Mary Donovan, motion carried unanimously.
- b) **Approval of Resolution for Budget 2025.** The 2025 budget has been amended by a levy increase of \$13,000. Anthony Hofeld

made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-02 to adopt the 2025 Budget with amendment; second by Patrick McGuire, motion carried unanimously.

- c) **Approval of Resolution for Levy 2025** Janet Prokop made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-03 to adopt tax levy budget (\$138,979); second by Tim Donovan, motion carried unanimously.
- d) **Approval of Resolution for Conflict-of-Interest Waiver** – Mary Donovan made a **Motion** to approve resolution 2024-04 Conflict of Interest Waiver; second by Robin Himebauch, motion carried unanimously.
- e) **Approval of Resolution for Emergency Line of Credit** – Tom Day made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-05 for Emergency Line of Credit; second by Nancy Wilhelm, motion carried unanimously.
- f) **Approval of Resolution for Bid Waiver for Purchase of Used Truck** – John Mann made a **Motion** to approve Resolution 2024-06 to Bypass Bidding Requirements and Allow Negotiated Purchase of a Truck; second by Todd Gillette, motion carried unanimously.

11. **Set Annual Meeting Date for 2025 (August 2, 2025).** There was no official date set for 2025 annual meeting.

12. **Adjourn** – At 10:45am Mary Donovan made a **Motion** to adjourn; second by Tom Casey, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Gina Krause.

ESLMD Regular Meetings

We invite the public to join us at our monthly meetings.

Meetings are held the **Third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Eagle Municipal Building.** The agenda for upcoming meetings is posted at the Eagle Town Hall, Eagle Post Office, and Cornerstone Filling Station. If you are unable to attend the meetings, the minutes for the meeting are posted on our website at www.eaglespringlake.us and are also available upon request via e-mail (eagleslmd@yahoo.com) or U.S. Postal Service.

Eagle Spring Lake Management District
Draft Budget for FY 2026
8/2/2025 Annual Meeting

Account	FY 2026 Budget Total	2025 Budget Total	Budget Increase (Decrease)	2024 Actuals Jan - Dec	2025 YTD Actual Jan - Jun	2025 Forecast Jan - Dec
Income						
Grant Revenue						
Clean Boats/Clean Waters	4,000	4,000	0	1,975	2,000	4,000
2026 Point Intercept Plant Survey Grant Revenue	9,116	0	9,116	0	0	0
Levy Revenue						
General Levy	136,979	136,979	0	103,982	104,444	136,979
Lottery Credit	2,000	2,000	0	3,675	0	2,000
Other Revenue						
Advertising Revenue	0	750	(750)	800	0	750
Interest Earned	500	2,100	(1,600)	496	1,749	2,100
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	3,000	2,900	100	3,042	3,918	3,918
Reimbursement Lake Patrol	11,700	0	11,700	5,340		
Other	1,087	0	1,087	44	87	87
Total for Income	\$168,382	\$148,729	\$19,653	\$119,354	\$112,198	\$149,834
Expenses						
Aquatic Plant Control Expense						
Aquatic Harvesting Expense						
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	2,000	2,000	0	1,310	287	2,000
Fuel & Oil	1,300	1,300	0	802	267	1,300
Harvester Deployment & Recovery	700	700	0	0	0	700
Other Expenses	0	0	0	216	0	0
Chemical Treatment & Permitting	9,000	12,000	(3,000)	0	12,590	12,000
Harvester Operators/ Payroll Taxes	4,306	4,000	306	4,693	1,251	4,000
Total for Aquatic Plant Control Expense	17,306	20,000	(2,694)	7,021	14,395	20,000
General & Administrative Expense						
Audit	5,000	0	5,000	0	0	0
Conventions & Workshops	1,800	1,800	0	1,384	45	1,800
Insurance Expense						
General Insurance	5,815	5,300	515	5,673	5,815	5,815
Workers Compensation Insurance	1,000	1,000	0	909	0	1,000
Legal Expense						
Attorney & Professional Fees	10,000	10,000	0	21,035	193	10,000
Legal Postings	850	700	150	760	0	700
Memberships, Dues, Licenses & Fees	780	870	(90)	38	16	870
Mileage Expense	150	150	0	33	67	150
Newsletter Expense	1,400	1,400	0	1,306	514	1,400
Website Hosting , Maintenance & Domain Expense	450	0	450	450	0	450
Office Supplies	1,325	700	625	251	336	700
Software Subscriptions	1,100	1,100	0	157	598	1,100
Payroll Expense						
Commissioners & Dam Operators	6,200	6,200	0	6,200	0	6,200
Employer Taxes & Contributions	1,976	1,976	0	955	374	1,976
Financial Clerk	13,000	11,625	1,375	6,166	5,237	11,625
Reserve Contingency Expense	0	2,700	(2,700)	0	0	2,700
Total for General & Administrative Expense	50,846	45,521	325	45,317	13,195	46,486
Infrastructure, Comp & Maint Expense						
Buoys	2,000	2,000	0	76	1,058	2,000
Dam Maintenance	500	500	0	115	0	500
Emergency Management & Planning	0	1,000	(1,000)	0	0	1,000
Kroll Utilities & Maintenance	1,160	1,160	0	3,651	139	1,160
Lake Patrol Expense	19,500	19,500	0	5,165	862	19,500
Tools & Materials	100	100	0	503	0	100
Wambold Utilities & Maintenance	500	500	0	53	0	500
Weather Station/Lake Level Controls	1,500	200	1,300	0	0	200

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Invasives & Water Quality Expense						
Clean Boats / Clean Waters Program	5,400	5,400	0	2,664	8	5,400
2026 Point Intercept Plant Survey Expense	12,155	0	12,155	0	0	0
Lake Restoration & Carp Removal	2,100	100	2,000	160	0	100
Septic Reports	200	200	0	234	0	200
Other Expenses						
Independence Day Expense	9,000	9,000	0	8,485	0	9,000
Interest Expense	8,297	9,304	(1,007)	10,212	0	9,304
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total for Expenses	\$130,564	\$114,485	\$16,079	\$83,656	\$29,657	\$115,450
Net Operating Income	\$ 37,818	\$ 34,244	\$ 3,574	\$ 35,698	\$ 82,541	\$ 34,384
Certificate Interest Income/Balance Sheet	1,600	0	1,600	\$1,901	0	0
Other Income	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Other Income	1,600	0	1,600	1,901	0	0
Net Income	\$39,418	\$34,244	\$5,174	\$37,599	\$82,541	\$34,384
Other Cash Requirements						
Principal payment Dam Construction Loans	25,860	24,852		23,944	0	24,852
Principal Payment on Loan for New Harvester Truck	0	6,998		0	0	0
Additional Interest Expense on Truck Loan	0	2,394		0	0	0
Total Other Cash Requirements	\$25,860	\$34,244		\$23,944	\$0	\$24,852
Budget Balance	\$13,558	\$0		\$13,655	\$82,541	\$9,532

Notes:

General Levy for 2026 is the same as 2025, no increase.

Principal payment of \$25,860 for the dam construction loan, but no truck is anticipated in 2026, and was not purchased in 2025.

**Account Balances (Citizens Bank)
Quickbooks Balance Sheet**

Account	31-Dec-24	30-Jun-25
Checking	\$6,458	\$2,795
Money Market	\$21,907	\$107,356
Capital Equipment Fund	\$12,428	\$12,729
Capital Lake / Land Fund	\$31,238	\$32,008
Total	\$72,032	\$154,888
Dam Construction Loan Balance (Liability) (Payments due on September 1st)	\$223,124	\$223,124



Aquatic Plant Management

At this time (early June) it appears that our chemical treatment (May 12th) in Jack's Bay & Pickeral Bay has been very successful. Harvesting has been a priority in other areas of the lake .

An update will be provided.



Dam Operations/Lake Water Levels

The DNR inspected our dam on October 15, 2024 and sent a response dated April 1, 2025. Briefly we are to:

1. Continue to monitor concrete deterioration, create a repair plan and schedule.
2. Submit an updated Emergency Action Plan by December 31, 2025 and
3. Submit an updated Inspection, Operation and Maintenance Plan (IOM) by December 31, 2025.

An update will be provided.

Ordinance Restricting Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement

A public hearing was held on May 20, 2025 to discuss the enactment of an ordinance that would restrict certain artificial wakes enhancement on Eagle Spring Lake. At the Board meeting following the public hearing, the Board unanimously passes a motion to ask the Town of Eagle to enact the below ordinance. An update will be provided at the Annual Meeting.

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AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING CERTAIN ARTIFICIAL WAKE ENHANCEMENT

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health, safety, and/or welfare, including the public's interest in preserving natural resources, the Town of Eagle ("Town") has the authority to enact ordinances covering waters within its jurisdiction if the ordinances are not contrary to or inconsistent with Chapter 30, Wis. Stats., and they relate to the equipment, use, or operation of boats or to any activity regulated by Sections. 30.60 to 30.71, Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Spring Lake exists wholly in the town; and

WHEREAS, artificially enhanced wakes can cause environmental damage to lakes and lakeshore, including resuspension of sediment adding nutrients to the water and increased risk of algal blooms, turbidity, shoreline erosion, and threats to aquatic life and waterfowl; and

WHEREAS, boats with ballast systems increase the likelihood of aquatic invasive species being introduced and spread on lakes; and

WHEREAS, artificially enhanced wakes can damage shoreline, lake bottom, moored boats, and shoreline structures including docks; and

WHEREAS, operating boats in a stern down manner creates downward prop wash, disturbing the lake bottom far below the wave zone, 20 feet and more below the surface; and

WHEREAS, artificially enhanced wakes can endanger swimmers, anglers, and other watercraft; and

WHEREAS, the use of ballast and wake enhancing fins can cause unsafe operation by causing the bow to rise obscuring vision forward; and

WHEREAS, the Town submitted a draft of this ordinance to the Wisconsin DNR for advisory review at least 60 days prior to passage, pursuant to 30.77(3)(d), Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, after considering public comments and any DNR suggestions, determines that adopting this Ordinance is consistent with all other ordinances of the Town and would promote the public health, safety and welfare, including the public's interest in preserving natural resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Eagle, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Applicability and Enforcement: The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all waters wholly within the Town of Eagle, Waukesha County, Wisconsin. This ordinance shall be enforced by all officers of Waukesha County, Wisconsin and all other individuals empowered to enforce ordinances in this Town.

Section 2. Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement Prohibited

1) **Prohibited Equipment.** No person may use or employ ballast tanks, ballast bags or fins, or any other method, to cause a boat to operate in a bow-high manner, or which increases or enhances a boat's wake.

2) **Prohibited Operation.** No person may operate a boat in an artificially bow-high manner

Ordinance Restricting Certain Artificial Wake Enhancement - continued

having the effect of increasing the boat's wake. Such prohibited operation shall include wake enhancement by use of ballast tanks, or ballast bags, or fins, or continuous operation at transition speed (the speed below planing speed in which a boat is operating in plowing mode), and similar methods. For the purpose of this provision, "continuous operation" shall mean "operation that is not acceleration for the purpose of achieving a state of planing".

3) Certain Operations Excluded. In no event shall any of the following operations be deemed a violation of this Ordinance, provided such operations do not use or employ ballast tanks, water sacks or wake enhancing fins: i) water skiing, ii) tubing, iii) cruising via pontoons, iv) wake boarding employing a tow rope; v) transition operation to empty a boat of bilge water, or vi) transition operation of a boat accelerating into a planing condition.

4) Related Current Wisconsin Laws

Under Sec 30.68(4)(a), Wis. Stats. No person shall operate a motorboat so as to approach or pass another boat in such a manner as to create a hazardous wake or wash.

Under Sec 30.68(4)(b), Wis. Stats. An operator of a motorboat is liable for any damage caused to the person or property of another by the wake or wash from such motorboat unless the negligence of such other person was the primary cause of the damage.

Under Sec 30.66(3)(a), Wis. Stats. No person may operate a motorboat within 100 feet of any dock, raft, pier, or buoyed restricted area on any lake at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake.

Under Sec 30.66(3)(ag)1, Wis. Stats. No person may operate a motorboat, other than a personal watercraft, at a speed in excess of slow-no-wake within 100 feet of the shoreline of any lake.

By adopting this Ordinance, the Town also adopts all of the above Wisconsin Statutes and all other state laws and administrative codes for hazardous wake and water draining/aquatic plant and animal removal.

Section 3. Penalty

(1) Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in s. 30.80, Wis. Stats., and deposits established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule established by the Wisconsin Judicial Conferences, are hereby adopted by reference, except all references to fines are amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment are deleted.

(2) To the extent that the penalty for any violation of this Ordinance is not provided under Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in s. 30.80, Wis. Stats., any person violating this Ordinance shall face a penalty of not more than \$500 for the first offense and not more than

\$1000 for the second and subsequent offenses within one year. Deposits established in the WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT FEE, FORFEITURE, FINE AND SURCHARGE TABLES shall also apply to any violation.

Section 4. Severability. Should any portion of this Ordinance or the affected Code Section(s) be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected.

Section 5. Effective Date. Upon adoption, this Ordinance shall take effect the day after publication or posting.

Ordinance introduced by Board member [insert board member name], who moved its adoption. Seconded by Board member [insert name]. AYES: [insert all names here]. NOES: [insert all names here]. ABSENT: N/A ADOPTED: [insert date here (month day, year)].

ELECTED COMMISSIONERS

Tom Day ----- (262) 594-3231
John Mann ----- (262) 594-8972
Sam Awve ----- (262) 305-1409
Pam Meyer ----- (262) 470-6511
Dave Voves ----- (262) 989-0442

APPOINTED COMMISSIONERS

Ryan Hajewski - Town of Eagle Representative
(262) 955-3260

To be appointed - Waukesha County Representative

BOOKKEEPER/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Gina Krause ----- (262) 594-3583

TOWN OF EAGLE

Clerk - Mercia ----- (262) 594-5800

**ENFORCEMENT OF
EAGLE TOWN ORDINANCES**

**Waukesha County Sheriff's Depart.
(262) 548-7117**

LAKE PATROL

Emergency - - - - - 911

24-hour dispatch Non-Emergency

May 1st - October 1st

Eagle Spring & Lulu Lake Patrol

(262) 581-7016

Lulu Lake Walworth County

Sheriff Dispatch

(262) 741-4400

Annual Meeting
August 2, 2025

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