

OKAUCHEE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

October 14, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.
Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall
www.olmd.org

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

C. Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to local newspapers, posted at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, two posting boards, and on the OLMD website.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present

Carol Wilson
Dennis Johnson
Bruce Mueller
Dee Schriver

Absent

Tom Godar

Also Present

Pat Furno, Accountant for the District

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Comments from the Floor

None.

7. Comments from Committee Members

None.

8. Discuss & Act on Report of the Treasurer

P. Furno reported the following:

Total Revenues:	\$363,463.40
Total Expenditures:	<u>\$283,847.69</u>
Total:	\$79,615.71

D. Johnson moved to accept the Report of the Treasurer as presented. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Approve Checks & Vouchers

D. Johnson moved to approve the bills to be paid for September, 2019. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

D. Johnson moved to approve the bills to be paid for October 14, 2019. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

10. Approve Minutes of the Previous Meetings

B. Mueller moved to approve the August 12, 2019 meeting minutes as presented.

D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

D. Johnson moved to approve the August 26, 2019 Organizational Meeting minutes as presented. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

11. Aquatic Plant Management Report

a. Discuss & Act On Aquatic Plant Management Plan

D. Johnson explained equipment was being removed from service for the year. There were no major breakdowns or issues with the equipment during the cutting season. Residents appreciated the efforts of the crew. Weed pick-up would conclude on October 18, 2019.

Discussions with DNR representatives regarding chemical treatment of lake weeds, including Starry Stonewort, had taken place since the last OLMD meeting. Written requests had been made of the DNR to allow chemical treatment of Starry Stonewort near the bridge and near the Golden Mast. Both treatments were denied. The denial for the bridge area was due to water depth. The Golden Mast area was denied because it was not considered a navigational problem at this time. In addition, a chemical treatment would stress the native Chara plants in those areas and would create bare spots that would then allow the Starry Stonewort plants to grow. The DNR would allow DASH (Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting) treatments at a cost of approximately \$25,000. Kathy Aron, of Aron & Associates, had provided information to DNR representatives on behalf of the OLMD that noted chemical treatments had succeeded in controlling the biomass growth of Starry Stonewort on Wind Lake, Green Lake and Long Lake in recent years.

D. Schriver had attended the DNR Starry Stonewort Public Information Meeting on October 12, 2019 at the Town of Delafield Hall. The DNR presentation explained that several different treatments had been attempted in the lakes in Washington and Waukesha Counties with Starry Stonewort. Nothing had consistently worked in any lake and there was little conclusion on what to be done next for treatment options. Questions and concerns were conveyed at that meeting by several attendees with little resolution of concerns.

Discussion ensued regarding whether treatment options would be beneficial at this time of year as the weeds were going dormant in the lake. Discussion also took place regarding a combination of efforts that might be able to be applied aggressively in the spring prior to the plants beginning the growth cycle. Efforts would continue through the winter months to reach out to other lake groups to work collaboratively to determine what could be done to proceed with treatment options of Starry Stonewort.

12. Discuss & Act on Aquatic Plant Control Special Charge

P. Furno explained the 2020 Aquatic Plant Control Special Charge was \$273.59 compared to \$260.34 in 2019. No changes to the approved budget were required.

B. Mueller moved to approve the Aquatic Plant Control Special Charge of \$273.59.

D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

13. Discussion on Town Of Oconomowoc Plan Commission Public Hearing Regarding A Conditional Use Request For Third Rock, LLC On October 21, 2019 At 6:30 P.M.

Concern was expressed regarding the number of boat slips planned as part of a Conditional Use Request for Third Rock, LLC. B. Mueller will provide information to OLMD Commissioners in the future confirming the number of planned boat slips and piers for the proposed project.

14. Discuss Website Items

Updated lake level information, monthly updates to the Waukesha County Aquatic Invasive Species newsletter, weekly weed cutting updates, several updates regarding the presence of Starry Stonewort, identification and facts had been added to the website since the August 26, 2019 Annual Meeting.

15. Future Agenda Items

The following item was requested for the next Regular Meeting agenda:

- Discussion & Action On A Treatment Plan For Starry Stonewort
- Discussion & Action On A Communication Plan With OLMD Residents

16. Set Future Meetings

The next meeting was scheduled for March or April, 2020 with a date to be determined in the future.

17. Adjournment

D. Johnson moved to adjourn the October 14, 2019 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. D. Schriver seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:55P.M.