



## LAC LA BELLE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Commissioners Meeting

**THURSDAY, March 16, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.**

### **Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall**

6812 Brown Street

Oconomowoc, WI 53066

*“The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac La Belle for today and tomorrow.”*

#### Minutes

1. Call to Order

D. Bauer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present

Dan Bauer

Karen Carr

Terry Largent

Ryan Myhre

Dave Zimmermann

Absent

Lou Morgan

Karen Trepton

3. Comments from the Floor

**Kim and Brian Kirkpatrick, 1124 W. Wisconsin Ave, Oconomowoc**, expressed concern regarding Goose Round-Up activities undertaken by the LLBMD in recent years. K. Kirkpatrick lived on the lake her entire life and enjoyed the sounds of nature associated with lake living including noises made by geese. Last year there were no geese on the lake. Goslings were not taken in the Round-Up because they were old enough to fend for themselves. If this were the case, the goslings were open to predators. She had not seen any geese around and this was of concern. She also noted that property owners needed to grant permission for the USDA staff access to their property. If someone were opposed to the Round-Up it didn't seem to matter because once the geese entered the yard of someone that had granted permission to access their property the geese could be taken despite opposition from other lake residents. She questioned what actions would prevent the Goose Round-Up from taking place and questioned whether a petition could be submitted in the future that would potentially stop the Goose Round-Up. Other lake residents were also opposed to the Round-Up. B. Kirkpatrick noted the seagulls were abundant on the lake and were not included in the Round-Up activities despite having a logical impact on the lake's water quality.

D. Bauer explained the Goose Round-Up was on the agenda and additional discussion would take

place at that time.

4. Correspondence

Emails

Various emails from Kathy Buss, City of Oconomowoc regarding Lake Level Reports (10/7, 10/17, 10/27, 11/3, 11/18, 12/8, 12/22, 1/11, 1/25, 2/10 and 2/23)

October 20, 2016 – Wisconsin Lakes – The eLake Letter: New Website, New Stewardship Award Season and More!

October 24, 2016 – Don Heilman re: Update On Clean Water Association

October 28, 2016 – Wisconsin DNR Rock River Recovery – November Newsletter

November 30, 2016 - Wisconsin DNR Rock River Recovery –December Newsletter

December 21, 2016 - Wisconsin DNR Rock River Recovery –January Newsletter

December 21, 2016 - Wisconsin Lakes – The eLake Letter: Wisconsin Lakes 2016 Organizational Report Is Live!

December 30, 2016 - Wisconsin Lakes – The eLake Letter: Happy New Year!

January 16, 2017 – Clean Water Association – Farmers For Lake Country

January 23, 2017 – Ernest Bollinger – LLBMD Information

January 26, 2017 – Waukesha County - Waukesha County Aquatic Invasive Species Update - January 2017

January 27, 2017 – Ernest Bollinger – LLBMD Information

January 30, 2017 - Wisconsin DNR Rock River Recovery –February Newsletter

February 6 and 7, 2017 – Kim Kirkpatrick – Goose Round-Up

February 10, 2017 – Wisconsin Lakes – The Lake Policy Report - ACTION ALERT - Dredging Up a Bad Idea

February 14, 2017 – Wisconsin Lakes - ACTION ALERT - Dredging Hearings Start Today!

February 20, 2017 - Waukesha County - Waukesha County Aquatic Invasive Species Update – February 2017

March 1, 2017 - Wisconsin DNR Rock River Recovery –March newsletter

March 2, 2017 – Don Heilman – Progress Report to District

March 10, 2017 – Wisconsin Lakes - ACTION ALERT - Groundwater bill hearing set for March 15

March 14, 2017 – Martha Eckstaedt – Goose Locations

March 14, 2017 – Kim Kirkpatrick – March 16, 2017 Agenda

March 15, 2017 – Susan Buchanan – CWA Stakeholder Meeting

5. Approval of October 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes

**K. Carr moved to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2016 LLBMD meeting as presented. R. Myhre seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for March 16, 2017 was distributed to Commissioners with balances and pending checks noted. R. Myhre also noted the bills paid since the last Commission meeting.

**K. Carr moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 16, 2017 as presented. R. Myhre seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

7. Payment Authorizations

**R. Myhre moved to ratify payments made since the October 6, 2016 meeting as shown on the Treasurer's Report. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**K. Carr moved to approve the Payment Authorizations for March 16, 2017 as presented. T. Largent seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

8. Update on 2016 Shoreland Restoration Program

This item was listed on the agenda twice inadvertently. Please see Item 11 below.

9. Update on 2016 Annual Audit

A report on this item was not yet available. R. Myhre and D. Bauer would meet to discuss a review of the 2016 Audit and planning of the 2017 Annual Audit.

10. Update on Clean Water Association - Don Heilman

This item was moved to the next meeting agenda.

11. Update on 2016 Shoreland Restoration Program

The 2016 Shoreland Restoration projects were completed since the last meeting. Notification received from L. Reas, Shoreland Restoration Program consultant, indicated payment for the completed projects was received and reimbursements to the property owners should be made to close out the 2016 Shoreland Restoration program.

12. Discuss & Act on 2017 Shoreland Restoration Program

Funds had been allocated in the budget to include two projects and additional money for the consultant invoice for a potential 2017 Shoreland Restoration Program.

**R. Myhre moved to approve two projects for the 2017 Shoreland Restoration Program, not to exceed \$5,000, for two projects and the consultant's invoice. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

13. Discuss & Act on 2017 Goose Round-Up

D. Bauer explained lake residents had requested a Goose Round-Up in the past due to issues associated with health hazards, such as E. Coli at the beaches and in the lake. Geese produced approximately 1.5 pounds of excrement daily. This affected the water quality of the lake and recreational enjoyment of various lake activities, including the closing of City beaches due to the abundance of E. Coli in the water. The intent of the Goose Round-Up was not to remove all geese from the lake but to reduce the flock to a size that the lake could adequately support. The USDA provided a form for property owners specifically granting permission to access property for the Goose Round-Up as part of the requirements for the process. Paperwork for the Goose Round-Up had to be submitted early in the year with the understanding that if the Round-Up needed to be cancelled, it could be; however, it could not be requested past the USDA specified deadlines.

**R. Myhre moved to conduct a Goose Round-Up in 2017. K. Carr seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

14. Discuss & Act on Starry Stonewort Signage at Boat Launch

D. Bauer noted the Starry Stonewort signage had been discussed at a LLBMD meeting last year; however, signage had not yet been placed at City Beach. City Staff would be contacted regarding options for signage. Additional information would be available at the next meeting.

15. Discuss & Act on Recommendation Regarding Property Development Impacts

Recently properties at the south end of Lac La Belle near the Oconomowoc Community Center had begun the process of being redeveloped. There were two projects noted for the four properties being redeveloped into multi-story condominium projects. One project, Parc on Lac La Belle, had been approved in the last year for the property immediately east of the Community Center. The three properties immediately east of the Parc on Lac La Belle, including the Spinnaker's property, had been consolidated into one lot with approval of the Eagle's Landing project still in the City's approval process. The City's stormwater management plan required a 50% reduction in the Total Suspended Solids (TSS) for redeveloped properties with best management practices required for stormwater run-off and erosion control measures during construction phases. Project plans included use of rain gardens and landscaped parking islands in addition to infiltration basins to assist in stormwater management. Historically, the LLBMD had occasionally provided recommendations to the City regarding stormwater management and project planning relative to the anticipated water quality impacts to Lac La Belle. Discussion ensued regarding whether recommendations were necessary for these projects. It was suggested that the City of Oconomowoc be contacted regarding a notification process to the LLBMD of Lac La Belle shore land development projects.

16. Discuss & Act on WI Lakes Partnership Convention - Stevens Point, WI - April 5-8, 2017

No one had come forward interested in attending the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership Convention in Stevens Point, Wisconsin from April 5 -8, 2017.

17. Discuss 2017 Citizen Water Quality Monitoring

Additional information would be provided on this topic at the next meeting.

18. Update on 2017 Newsletter

Potential topics for the 2017 Spring LLBMD newsletter were discussed. Additional information would be available at the next meeting.

19. Update on LLBMD Facebook Page

Additional information would be provided on this topic at the next meeting.

20. Update on LLBMD Website

a. Topics for the website

- Add the Shoreland Restoration Program form

21. Set Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting of the Lac La Belle Management District was scheduled for May 18, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall.

22. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The following items were suggested for the May 18, 2017 LLBMD agenda:

- Update on Clean Water Association - Don Heilman
- Update on 2017 Shoreland Restoration Program
- Update on 2017 Goose Round-Up
- Update on 2017 Citizen Water Quality Monitoring
- Update on Spring 2017 Newsletter
- Update on Facebook page

23. Adjournment

**K. Carr moved to adjourn the March 16, 2017 Lac La Belle Management District meeting at 8:30 P.M. T. Largent seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

Minutes prepared by:

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