

Silver Lake Management District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2021 - 8:30AM
Ed Kissinger's Residence
N2102 Chicago Point Rd

1. Call to Order

Board members in attendance Ed Kissinger, Mark Magnussen, Greg Barczak and Jim Morgenroth. Bill Herbert attended by Zoom

2. Secretary's Report

Ed motioned to dispense with reading of the annual meeting. Mark seconded. The annual meeting minutes of August 28, 2021 were approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

Bill presented the current account summary – Hometown savings - \$92,223.23; Hometown Checking - \$2,155.42 and LGIP - \$355,103.57 for a total of \$449,482.22. Ed motioned to approve the report, seconded by Mark. Report approved. The invoice for APM's summer work is still outstanding (anticipated expense of \$91,000).

4. Milfoil Treatment

2021 Results –

- Seven weeks DASH used to pull milfoil – results viewed as a mixed, significant amount of milfoil was removed but still have growth around the lake
- Meandering survey completed for the whole lake except Foxtail Bay. Point intercept study (whole lake) will be available this winter (Point intercept work reports how well the natural plant community is doing year over year). Meandering survey with GPS marking goes to APM for DASH – APM uses Google Docs to mark treatment locations

2022 Plans –

- Will likely to use 7+ weeks of DASH with full lake treatment in a following year, explore use of ProCella-COR. Bughs Lake scheduled for full lake treatment in 2022 (ProCella-COR doesn't require weekly monitoring of chemical level – Fluradone (2016 treatment) does require monitoring and thermocline impact)
- Mark reported on DNR Grant submission – DNR revised surface water grant requirements – large (full lake) and small (DASH - \$50k) – Onterra provided estimate for 2022 work – SLMD funding should be around \$47K – included lake enforcement and shore line erosion work to help justify grant. Working with Ted Johnson of the DNR – Chemical treatment is somewhat dependent on the % of littoral zone impacted by Milfoil

5. Water Drainage

- Mark provided an update on the water drainage RFP's. The RFP to manage the Wautoma area drainage have been distributed based on the 1997 plan/estimate to Strand, Crane, Stantec – Strand and Stantec have responded.

- The 2019 Stantec plan (pump gravity feed option to watershed) has not been distributed since the plan is still proprietary with SLSD. – Mark to contact Jim (SLSD) to see what can be shared – if appropriate the plan will be shared with Strand – Mark to keep the Board informed on next steps –
- Mark will continue to contact Crane – no response yet ability to use Town property with road access to watershed
- Discussion around the ultimate goal in managing the water level? – belief is that most property owners would accept managing the lake level to the OHWM. Managing the water drainage does not allow SLMD to manage the lake level, it simply diverts water from contributing to the Silver Lake water level. Calculations model that it would take 67 days to move an acre foot of water (assuming no additional input)
- If water is not flowing thru the culvert (at the top edge of culvert on Irogami), Silver Lake would be at approximately 867.5 (6 inches above OHWM) – Managing the water level of Silver Lake to this level appears to be acceptable but it provides little cushion for significant rainfall
- Current lake levels a bit higher than Memorial Day – 867.4 4 or 5 inches above OHWM

6. Clean Boat/Clean Water – Mark & Bill

- 2021 Results –
 - Final report from Anna will be submitted soon. Once submitted, SLMD will pay her bonus for completing all of the requirements. 2021 was a busy year at the landings with 500 boats inspected over the summer.(75% of boats are local boat owners)
 - Final bill from Golden Sands due the end of October
 - Mark and Bill will coordinate submission of final report.
 - Full report to be presented at the next Board meeting
- 2022 Plans
 - Grant submitted to the DNR – 75/25 cost share – SLMD portion expected to be \$1700-2200
 - Ross Peterson will work to find student to manage program for 2022.
 - Golden Sands manages the personnel for the program – payroll and schedule - \$500 fee for this service – non-reimbursable as part of the grant.

7. AIS School Tour

- 2021 Tours
 - Jim reported that this year’s program went very well. He shared that Mark has developed a finely tuned program
 - Tours were held on Friday, September 17 with approximately 100 7th grade students
 - Program has been well received by the Wautoma school district and is also viewed positively by the DNR (helps with grant submissions)
- 2022 Plans
 - Scheduled 9/15/22 –
 - Jim will explore purchasing a plankton net, checking with Golden Sands for recommendations

- Jim will also plan to purchase some snacks (bars or something) – (students were hungry!)

8. Lake Management Plan

- Current plan was developed in 2016 – Mike Ruhland started to update that plan
- Greg will coordinate work thru this winter with the goal to have finished/proposed plan by fall 2022
- Eddie Heath – Onterra Principal to be contacted by Greg for assistance with plan revision (UW Stevens Point Water Quality office assisted with previous work)

9. Discussion on Rental Properties

- Ed's research indicates little can be done by SLMD on managing or controlling rental properties
- Greg spoke with Mayor of Wautoma and Town of Marion – they confirmed that little can be done by SLMD, likely needs to be the County – rental properties with significant capacity does present an issue with Fire Department
- Jim will draft a communication to be sent to property owners highlighting the impact of rental property – boating rules/safety, sanitary system, parking, noise – plan would be to send to Town, City, County – Ed would include something in the newsletter – goal to be informative not controlling. Ed will explore communication with Donna Kalata (county representative)

10. Other Business

- Bill shared that some property owners feel that signs at the boat landings are not as clear as they could be in outlining the lake rules – hours for skiing, tubing, wake boarding etc and clarity around no wake hours.
- Ed shared a copy of the current signs and the rules that were recently distributed.
- Bill will connect with the property owners that raised the issue for suggestions

11. Adjournment

- Jim motioned for adjournment; Ed seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:55

Respectfully submitted

Bill Herbert
Secretary / Treasurer