

**Silver Lake Management District  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
October 2, 2022 1pm  
N2102 Chicago Point Rd**

**1. Call to Order**

- a. Meeting was called to order at 1:01pm by Ed.
- b. Board Members in attendance Ed Kissinger, Mark Magnusson, Greg Barczak, Jim Morgenroth, Bill Herbert
- c. Others in attendance – Barb Bartel, Waushara County Representative Robert Wedell

**2. Secretary's Report**

- a. A motion to approve the minutes of the August 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held after the Annual meeting on August 27<sup>th</sup> was made by Jim (Seconded by Mark)
- b. The minutes of both meetings were approved as submitted.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- a. FY2023 Income–Expense statement – current YTD thru October 1, 2022 shows a net loss of \$2045.01
- b. Current balances
  - Hometown Checking           \$ 32,666.93
  - Hometown Savings           \$ 81,226.85
  - LGIP                               \$336,843.81
  - Total                               \$450,737.59
- c. Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

**4. Milfoil – Mark**

**a. 2022 Results**

- EWMF is back with a vengeance – 220 cubic yards (22 – 10 yard dumpsters). EWMF is prevalent in all areas of the lake.

**b. 2023 Plans**

- Mark has been in contact with Eddie (Onterra) and Ted (DNR) – unlikely to obtain a grant for summer of 2023 given that we need the lake management plan completed
- APM/IPM section of lake plan could be done earlier than full plan
- Lake is likely at 15% or more covered with EWMF despite the increase in DASH harvesting
- Chemical treatment with ProCellaCOR vs Fluridone are the options – DNR is still evaluating best options for lakes with EWMF.
- Debate over whether local chemical treatment in certain bays with DASH in other areas or perhaps do nothing for a year – concern if we do nothing, EWMF would take over the entire lake shoreline
- Current thought for 2023 is to focus on main colonies with a goal of limiting spending to the previous \$50-60K instead of the \$130K that was spent this year

- Mark will consult with Eddie (Onterra) regarding the efficacy of Floridone from year to year – does the efficacy diminish with a second treatment or does it improve as the time period increases.

## **5. Water Drainage**

### **a. RFP Status – Mark**

- Mark has not sent out any official RFP considering that all of the engineering firms want to charge for the development of the options –
- Gary Walekjo called Ed to continue the discussion of placing a pump on the Town property near SilverCryst suggesting that the pump take the water to other side of Hwy 21 into the marsh and then allow it to drain thru the existing culverts
- Ed researched the property owners of the parcels that would need to grant approval for the water flow – both of the parcels that would be impacted are owned by the same individuals
- Over the years a number of plans have been developed to pump water out of Silver Lake but none of them have been implemented – often times because the problem has resolved itself (water level decreased to acceptable level) before action was taken.
- Recommendation to contact the property owner to see if an easement would be acceptable supported by members of the board
- Some concern that managing the lake level thru this option may still be more expensive than desired with questionable support from the lake owners – membership has conflicting goals on desired lake level – 1 ft below OHWM vs at OHWM
- Lake Irogami OHWM is around 867.6 ft – level of the weir
- Ed is going to visually explore the parcels that would be impacted over the next week or so – distance to pipe might be around ½ mile
- Ed to draft a letter to parcel owner -

### **b. Sandbags at Culvert – Ed**

- Ed has been developing a relationship with Jim Blaszczyk (Sec/Treas) and Andy Rohrer (Pres) of the Lake Irogami Management District
- Letter sent to DNR in June without response – request had to be reviewed by the Regional Water Specialist – sandbags could be considered a dam
- Jim sent the DNR a follow-up letter indicating that he would be placing the sand bags sometime after September 22<sup>nd</sup> if no response. Placement to occur on October 5th

## **6. CBCW Program - Bill**

### **a. 2022 Results – Report from Kade Panich**

- My experience at Silver Lake so far has been very positive. I have not run into people unwilling to answer questions and cooperate.
- The only times weeds would be coming off the lake on boats was when there was a strong wind blowing directly into that shoreline. Other than that, rarely did you see weeds exiting the lake. Not often would people enter the launch with weeds on their boat. If so, I never had an issue with people not removing the
- The only request from a few out-of-town visitors was that they want a bigger, more noticeable sign to tell them there is a landing fee, but nothing to do with the condition of the launch or anything involving my position on invasive species.

- There were many people who voiced their thankful approval of what CBCW does, especially ones who were not aware of these prevention methods prior to my talk with them.
- Zero negative encounters on the lake. There were sometimes people who weren't very interested in talking, but still answered questions and made sure their boat was clean.
- Inspected 316 boats so far this season, with only two weekends left to go. Contact with 602 people total up to this point. 16 of the contacts said their boat had visited another body of water in the last 5 days.
- Total for Silver Lake landing: 202 hrs

**b. 2023 Plans**

- Proposal for next year will be submitted this week by Bill

**7. AIS School Tour – Jim**

**a. 2022 Results**

- Approximately 85 students participated in the school tour
- Biologist from both DNR and Golden Sands participated
- Bob also participated in a similar school tour at Camp Lucerne
- Plankton nets were used – Golden Sands biologists enjoyed the use of them.

**b. 2023 Plans**

- 105 potential students for next year – will need 4 boats
- 2023 dates - Wednesday, Sept 13 with rain date Friday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>
- Jim will also schedule 4 boats plus some back-up boats
- Golden Sands used to be able to expense their time to a grant – this is no longer option for them. Jim motioned to pay \$600 (Greg seconded) to Golden Sands – motioned approved.
- Check request to indicate Contribution to Silver Lake Tour - to the attention of Chris

**8. Full Lake Manage Plan Status – Greg**

- Plan still underdevelopment – Onterra was on the lake this past Monday/Tuesday
- Potential timeline for final plan – summer of 2023.

**9. Boat Patrol – Greg**

- Greg still concerned about the number of boaters breaking the rules
- Ed's recommendation is to attend the Town of Marion Board meetings to continue to bring the topic up at the meetings
- Ed also highlighted that lake owners have every right to inform people of the boat regulations when they see someone violating one of the regulations.

**10. Silver Lake Ski Club – Greg**

- Letter received by members of the board to indicate that the frequency of the slalom course placement will likely increase next year

**11. Other Business**

**a. Notification to district meetings**

- Tom Simonis – property owner/lawyer – has shared that the SLMD needs to identify all properties owner in writing - Chapter 33
- Per Chapter 33, notices must be in writing; thus an email notification is not sufficient nor is a public notice (Class 2 advertisement in the local newspaper) sufficient
- Bob suggested that we could possibly place the information in the annual tax bill but that would not completely meet the requirements – could publish the dates but also need to include the agenda
- SLMD is no longer a corporation within WI so SLMD is only governed by Chapter 33
- Potential to contact Bob Welch and/or John Matthews – property owners on the lake with prior involvement in the state legislature.
- Bill will contact John to explore options for legislative changes to Chapter 33
- Given the confusion on meeting notification requirements, additional research will be done.

## **12. Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn made by Bob – seconded by Mark
- Motion approved
- Meeting adjourned at 2:35pm

Respectfully submitted

*William Herbert*

Bill Herbert  
Secretary/Treasurer