

LITTLE ST. GERMAIN LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT SAINT GERMAIN, WI

Elected Commissioners

Tom Groth, Chairman
Tom Schwartz, Treasurer
Cheryl Kelsey, Secretary

Appointed Commissioners

Tom Christensen, Town of Saint Germain
Carolyn Ritter, Vilas County

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MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019 – 6:30 P.M.

St. Germain Community Center

Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Tom Groth, Chairman. Commissioners present were, Tom Schwartz, Treasurer, Cheryl Kelsey, Secretary, Tom Christensen, Town of St. Germain and Carolyn Ritter, Vilas County.

Approval of Agenda – Carolyn Ritter motioned, Tom Christensen, seconded, motion approved.

Minutes for past meeting on 1/10/19 will be postponed until our next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Tom Schwartz gave us a report on our unallocated fund management and gave us a sheet indicating the interest we have earned on the money market account and CD that he obtained for the District. It showed that he has earned a total of \$2,045 since 2017 and by the end of 2019, it will be about \$2,900.

He also presented a letter from Marion Janssen indicating that she had audited our accounts for 2018 and found everything to be accurate regarding the District's finances.

Tom presented an updated Financial Report for 2018, along with the details for 2018. He also presented a detailed report for 2019, year to date. Carolyn Ritter motioned and Tom Christensen seconded to approve the reports, motion approved.

Communications

Tom Groth read a letter he wrote to Steve Gilbert regarding why we're only allowed 1 Musky per every 4 acres on the lake or 243 muskies. Steve responded the reason is to get the smaller fish to survive to a larger size.

Tom also received a note from Brad Waldman regarding the Phosphorus on the lake and the impact of Lake Quality and Property Values.

Tom Groth also received a letter from Lisa Meathe from West Bay regarding the problem with left over garbage after the Little St. Germain Radar Runs. She was concerned that the trash will also get into the water in the spring.

Tom Christensen also received an email from Dennis LeGault from West Bay, that there were 2 large Cable Wheels (wooden) left behind on the shoreline after the Radar Runs. It was suggested that we contact Mark Hiller regarding these items, as he runs the event.

Mechanical Harvest Bids

Tom Groth found a contractor through the DNR for Mechanical Harvesting, if we need it. Ted from TSB Restoration & Diving, submitted a bid of \$2,500/day which includes 10 hour days for 3 days, for about \$7,500. Silver Mist Aquatics also submitted a bid of \$350/hr., \$3,500 per day for 3 days or about \$10,000. Carolyn Ritter motioned that we go with TSB Restoration, Tom Schwartz seconded, motion approved.

Onterra Contract for 2019

Tom Groth read a communication from Onterra regarding the Eurasian Milfoil Survey for Fall of 2018. They suggested that we forego chemical treatment for 2019 and wait for 2020 to make a decision. They suggest to continue with the Hand Harvesting/DASH Boat for 2019, and presented their report indicating we harvest A19, B-19, C19 and possibly the northeast shore of South Bay. Tom Schwartz motioned, and Cheryl Kelsey, seconded. Motion to approve Onterra's contract for 2019 was approved for \$5,835.00.

AIS/DASH Boat 2019

Cheryl Kelsey is working with Andrew McFerrin at Aquatic Plant Management for perform the Hand Harvesting and DASH Boat operations for this year. Tom Schwartz indicated that we have a little over \$20,000 budgeted for these items.

Winter Aeration Update

Tom Schwartz gave us a sheet detailing the issues we had in East Bay again this year. We ended up getting a diver again to repair the damage to the pipe that cost us \$550.00. A suggestion was made that we get a Buoy to mark the area, to try to avoid any further damage. Tom was going to talk to Kevin Gauthier about another Buoy on the lake.

Lake Management Plan & Payment

Tom Groth indicated that the Lake Plan is in the final write-up stages with Onterra. We have paid \$6,813.25 as of January 20, 2019. Tom will contact Onterra regarding the final draft of the plan and finalization.

First Quarterly Email/Website Installment

Tom Groth mentioned items to include in an Email and will send a draft to Cheryl Kelsey for publication for Spring 2019.

Clean Boats Clean Waters

We have again contracted for 300 hours from the UW Oshkosh students to monitor the boat landing. They have organized the staff and will give Tom Schwartz a schedule soon.

Set Next Meeting Date

Next meeting will be Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

