Meeting was called to order by Tom Groth at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Tom Schwartz, Treasurer, Cheryl Kelsey, Secretary, Carolyn Ritter, Vilas County.

Other guests present – Kevin Gauthier, DNR, Eric Dantoin & Dale Robertson, USGS

Approval of Agenda – Schwartz motioned, Ritter seconded, motion approved.

Discussion was focused on the idea/proposal to the WVIC regarding the possibility of doing a Water Draw down at a different time to potentially flush out more Phosphorus. Ben Niffenegger from the WVIC was supposed to be present, but was unable to attend the meeting. The WVIC, USGS & DNR had a conference call regarding the Lake District’s proposal.

Kevin Gauthier indicated that there “might” be a Lake protection Grant available for such a project, and he would talk to Carroll Schaal, DNR Lakes & Rivers Section Chief, and get back to us with details.

In order to move forward with such a project, the DNR would require a 3-5 year data collection and observation study by the USGS to examine the effects of the winter drawdown on water quality. Eric Dantoin will get a proposal together regarding the associated costs and the possibility of a matching grant from the USGS.

It was decided to get the information and put it into a proposal at the 2019 Annual Meeting for a vote of the Little St. Germain Riparians.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.