



**MINUTES
DEVILS LAKE WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Lincoln City Council Chambers
MARCH 14, 2019**

1. Call to Order

Kent Norris called the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Directors Present: Kent Norris, Tina French, Bill Sexton, Kathy Kremer

Excused Absent: Steve Brown

Lake Manager/Executive Director: Josh Brainerd

3. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

a. Financial Report

b. Minutes of Meetings

Kathy Kremer motioned, "To approve the Consent Agenda as presented with a correction in the February Minutes from Kathy Kremer that she did not say that the mud coming down Thompson Creek was from the heavy rains.

Tina French seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to bring to the District's attention any item not listed on the agenda for public hearing.

No Public Comments were presented.

5. Continuing Board Business

a. Committee Briefings

• **Sewer Committee**

Committee Update:

Tina French reported there have been no changes since the last meeting. A decision will need to be made to possibly developing a Citizen Committee to Develop a Special District Sewer Committee as the Sewer Committee has completed its roll for the Board. Brian Green will come to the April meeting to present to the Board final decisions from the Committee.

• **Special Project/Events and Communications**

Committee Update:

Bill Sexton reported the next Committee meeting will be April 13, at 10 a.m. at the OCCC in Room 217 and they will be going over the current projects with the floating garden project, and should have an update from the Marine Patrol possibly coming in May. At the river they need volunteers for water testing for volume of water coming down the river and assist

with debris of the logs from the storm debris from the main river bed. The boards need to be put in by April 15 to maintain recreational water level. Bill said he would like to install the steel posts so that on the 15th he can drop the boards and install the fish gate.

- **Save our Shoreline and Water Monitoring**

- **Committee Update:**

- Mariellen Rich reported they had a very positive Western Pond Turtle workshop with Susan Barnes, ODF&W Biologist from Salem. She shared how to identify turtles and let them know it is illegal to move turtles. They do not want pet store turtles because they bring diseases and they need to be very careful populating the lake with invasive turtles.

- **Kent Norris** said they need to identify what type turtle they are. As was said at the meeting, “If you develop the habitat they will come.” If set up right turtles can be here in the lake.

- Mariellen Rich said that if anyone sees a turtle take pictures and note where they are located and then the picture can be sent to Susan to identify or someone will come and look at them and identify.

- **Bill Sexton** said that he believes they have prime habitat for turtles because of the logs around.

- **Josh Brainerd** will have Intern, Alexandria, take the training for identifying turtles, as she is an Environmental Biologist, and she will take pictures of turtles as she sees them to help with this project.

- b. **Projects and Operation**

- **Josh Brainerd reported:**

- **Devils Lake Conservation/Aeration Project:**

- All aeration system equipment is functioning as planned and required. There is now a maintenance log and light inside the compressor housing. Very little to no algae particles.

- **Devils Lake Video Monitoring Project:**

- Staff to provide an update relating to recent project work. Cameras have been functioning well. Due to power and internet fluctuations they occasionally need reset. Jim Dewey installed a remote reset so we do not have to enter Vivian’s restaurant to reset the equipment. There is still funding available in the project budget. Staff is currently evaluating a second installation site farther north on Devils Lake for placement of our second camera and a weather station.

- **Airstream Pro Shoreline Aerator:**

- Regular maintenance on the unit has been completed. It has been reinstalled at Vivian’s restaurant location. We have several sites available to operate this equipment this year such as Crystal Lagoon, Blue Heron Landing and Indian Shores.

- **D River/Devils Lake Flood Protection:**

- Flood Management options for the inundation of tidal sand and storm debris in the D River channel continue to be evaluated. Meetings with individual stakeholders are moving forward in an effort to find collaborative solutions to the problem.

- **Water Quality Briefing:**

- Everything has been outstanding. No Algae and clear water.

6. New Business

Appoint Budget Committee for 2019.

All Budget Committee members will remain the same, No new committee member applications have been received.

Susan Walkhe, Mitch Moore, Mark Christie, Larry Rich, Miles Schlesinger plus board members.

Kent Norris motioned, "To reinstate the previous budget committee as seated to include all members past members of the 2018 budget committee."

Tina French seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Sexton asked Josh if he notified John Tucci about the annual maintenance. Josh asked what time this would work. Bill said July through September will work.

Josh will contact John Tucci and get a date for when he can do the annual maintenance report.

7. Non-Agenda Items

Tina French asked about the agenda items and how it is coming. She said she liked the agenda and staff report on the same page and didn't see a need for just an agenda page.

Kent Norris ask for action items to be put on the agenda. He asked about the Devils Lake Plan and suggested it needs to be distributed to the board members and have a reading of it at the next meeting and then adopt it at the next meeting. Josh pointed out The Plan is on the web page for anyone to read. Kent also like the staff report and agenda items together.

Tina French suggested the action items be put under each committee report when given.

Josh Brainerd commented that Bill, with NW Jet Sports will be doing practice runs on the lake. They had some organizational conflict and did not come last year and they really like the lake.

Josh will follow up and get a status update on the deed and use of Regatta Park.

Josh Brainerd shared they have an intern, Alexandria, who is coming in April. She is from Lincoln City and went to OSU and has her Undergraduate Degree and is working on her Master's Degree plus she also has an Environmental Biology Degree and is excited to get the work experience. The District will benefit from having her here.

Kathy Kremer asked about Mr. Drayton and the Devils Lake Road sign that Miles Schlesinger spoke about last week. Josh said that he has spoken to Mr. Drayton an he wants \$400 - \$500 per month to rent the sign.

8. Additional Comments from Citizens Present on Non-Agenda Items

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to bring to the District's attention any item not listed on the agenda for board discussion.

No Comments from Citizens Present

9. Board Comments and Announcements

Lake Steward Award Community event -- Saturday, April 20.

Kent Norris nominated Julie Sexton as the Lake Steward Award Winner.

Kent Norris motioned, "To nominate Julie Sexton as the Lake Steward Award Winner."

Kathy Kremer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with Bill Sexton abstaining.

Josh will send out an email to the board on how many will be attending the award event and he will order the award.

Tina French said she will not be at the next Board meeting.

10. Adjournment

Kent Norris adjourned the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business Meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joann Glass
Recorder