



**MINUTES**  
**DEVILS LAKE WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**  
**Lincoln City Council Chambers**  
**MAY 9, 2019**

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

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

**Lake Manager/Executive Director:** Josh Brainerd

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

**a. Financial Report**

**b. Previous Minutes**

**Steve Brown** motioned, "To approve the Consent Agenda with correction from Kent Norris to the motion under Save our Shoreline and Water Monitoring. The motion should have read "To match funds up to \$750 for projects of shoreline planting."

**Kathy Kremer** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments**

*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.*

Miles Schlesinger speaking as a private citizen. Noel Walker is selling his business as a private owner which means he will be carrying gas many times to his jet skis down his dock. Suggests the board buy the gas station or put a plan together to continue to have gas available on the lake.

Mark Christie member of DLWID Neighborhood Association gave an update on the July 3 fireworks. Go to the web site DLakeOregon.com for information and to donate funds toward the fireworks. He reported there will be a fund raiser Sunday, May 27 to help raise funds from 11am -3 pm and is kid friendly.

**Committee Reports**

**Sewer Committee**

**Committee Update**

The Committee Chair was not able to attend this meeting and give a report.

**Action Item:** Committee Chair to provide a briefing to the board and present resolution dissolving DLWID Sewer Committee.

## **Special Projects/Events and Communications**

### **Committee Update**

**Bill Sexton** introduced Tom Rice to the Special Projects Committee as the new Chairperson. Tom Rice reported they had their annual cleanup two days ago on East Devils Lake Road and it was a success with 11 volunteers. They picked up 25-30 trash bags of trash.

At the April 13 meeting, twelve members attended, and they finalized plans for the water safety and awareness program clinic held Saturday, June 22 11 am – 1 pm at the Regatta Park. The Deputies will be there to inspect watercraft. Oregon State Marine Board provided pamphlets, stickers, wrist bands, whistles to share. The Committee will focus on July 5 to look for debris from the fireworks. The West Devils Lake Road Clean-up will be Sept. 10. They will be partnering with the Scouts Troop 47 in building floating gardens. Tom thanked Mr. Sexton for his leadership.

### **Action Item:**

#### **Update on upcoming events:**

**Roadside Lake Clean Up Event** – May 7, 2019, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Meet at Faith Baptist Church and end at Brown Bear for lunch.

**Boat Safety Event with Lincoln County Sheriff's Office** – June 22, 2019, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Regatta Park

## **Save our Shoreline and Water Monitoring**

### **Committee Update**

Mariellen Rich reported that the Boy Scouts will build 15 floating gardens. Refurbished the floating gardens and they are looking good. There will be 18 floating gardens on the lake.

**Kent Norris** said that he has seen the scouts already started. Restoration projects have started and three are enthused and two will be putting it all together with the plants ready to go. Had a meeting in April and are moving on.

### **Action Items:**

**Boy Scouts Water Gardens Projects**

**New Shoreline Restoration Projects**

## **District Projects and Operations**

### **Josh Brainerd Reported:**

#### **Devils Lake Conservation/Aeration Project**

All aeration system equipment is functioning as planned and required.

### **Action Item**

Awaiting John Tucci's arrival date for summer inspection and adjustment of system. ETA of mid-June. Lake contractor has scheduled maintenance for changing of the compressor oil and diffuser inspection for this month.

**Kent Norris** asked to make sure all systems are working.

**Tina French** suggested to use a drone to get a count.

**Josh Brainerd** asked if Steve was available to help with this by using a drone.

**Steve Brown** agreed he will be able to help with this count using a drone.

### **Devils Lake Video Monitoring Project**

Update relating to recent project work. Moving along and need a discussion on DLWID doing their own set up rather than using Spectrum or Century Link. They are looking at a second location near Blue Heron Landing.

#### **Action Item**

Due to power and internet fluctuations they occasionally need reset. Staff is currently evaluating a second installation site farther north on Devils Lake for placement of our second camera.

### **Airstream Pro Shoreline Aerator**

The main drive motor was damaged by storm debris and a replacement motor has been ordered. Cost is around \$1,000. Bill suggested to replace it rather than try to fix it.

**Steve Brown** commented about replacing the motor and put a cage up so that a log can't do this again.

**Bill Sexton** said there are debris diverters. Discussion occurred on what types may be available the cost for the equipment and what protection is available.

### **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 to find collaborative solutions to the problem.

#### **Action Item**

A date with ODFW is being set to evaluate the presence of Pacific Lamprey in the proposed project area. The sampling is to take place July 17.

### **Water Quality Briefing**

#### **Update on water quality testing results**

Water quality and clarity continues to be excellent in Devils Lake.

**Kent Norris** questioned what the clumps are in the lake.

Alexandria is taking responsibility in testing the water and doing a great job.

A response from Joe Koch to Stewardship Forester responsible for the area has been received. In his response he has indicated that no heavy equipment was being moved or trees being felled near streams in the area prior to the turbidity events in Thompson Creek.

Discussion occurred on what may be happening with the Thompson Creek turbidity.

### **General Operations**

Buoys permitted by OSMB and purchased by DLWID will be installed around the sand island in the Southern region of Devils Lake. Installation to be completed before Memorial Day.

Bacterial Sampling Season begins this month. Beginning Memorial Day week water samples will be collected and tested for E.coli. Results will be emailed and posted on [www.DLWID.org](http://www.DLWID.org) weekly through Labor Day.

### **District Budget Update**

**Josh Brainerd** reported the Budget is well underway and the draft will be ready tomorrow May 10. Need to set a date with the Budget Committee to meet. The meeting must occur before May 28. The New Times is a place to publish the budget and Josh will contact them on the dates.

The Board Management review with Josh Brainerd will need to be decided. Kent Norris suggested that they have an Executive Session prior and then have Josh come into the meeting. It was decided to meet on June 5 at 3:30 p.m.

### **New Business**

Action Item John Tucci of Lake-Savers plans to travel to Oregon in July to evaluate and adjust the system. Exact date TBD.

### **Non-Agenda Items**

#### **Action Items:**

#### **Discuss new agenda format**

**Steve Brown** suggested to work on the font. He suggests keep the Action Items. All agreed that it is going in the right direction.

**The Regatta Park food vendor deed restriction removal is estimated to be completed by July 2019.**

### **Emergency Equipment Staging Lakeside**

**Josh Brainerd** asked for the Board to discuss what they want to keep and asked for a list of what others want to see kept. Steve Brown suggested they have a plan as a district if an emergency happens on the lake including a response time and communication to residence and the community.

**Kathy Kremer** asked the question on how and if the District is responsible?

### **Purchase of back-up diffusers for lake bottom aeration system**

This was discussed at the last meeting and the cost was to be looked at and how many to purchase.

**Josh Brainerd** said the cost is about \$250 each.

**Bill Sexton** motioned, "To purchase two air de-fusers from Lake Savers so that they have two on hand in case one malfunctions and is non usable and they have the ability to change one out so as to not affect the system."

**Kathy Kremer** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Application of Weston Fritz for Special Projects Committee

**Tina French** moved, "To accept Weston Fritz application as presented."

**Steve Brown** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Kent Norris** gave an update on the rainfall to date 55.82 inches -- 20.3 inches below last year.

Way behind for rain fall.

Spruce trees are losing their needles and he has been talking to the Master Gardener and they think it is a-fids due to the mild winter that did not kill off the bugs. He will be receiving more information and will have Josh put it on the web site.

### **Adjournment**

**Kent Norris** adjourned the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business Meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joann Glass  
Recorder

