



MINUTES
DEVILS LAKE WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
Lincoln City Council Chambers
AUGUST 8, 2019

Call to Order

Tina French, Chair called the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Tina French, Kathy Kremer, Bill Sexton, Steve Brown

Excused Absent: Kent Norris, Josh Brainerd and Intern, Alexandria

Lake Manager/Executive Director:

Approval of Consent Agenda

a. Financial Report

b. Minutes from previous meetings

Steve Brown motioned, "To approve the consent agenda as presented."

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.

No Comments from the Public.

Committee Reports

Committee Update:

Sewer Committee

Tina French reported that Brian Green is working on getting the resolution to dissolve the sewer committee and the committee report finalized to form a community committee.

Action Item: Presentation of a final report and resolution to dissolve the DLWID Sewer Committee

Special Projects/Events and Communications

Committee Update:

Tom Rice, Reported the West Devils Lake Road Clean up September 10th, 9:00 – 11 with a committee meeting following.

Save our Shoreline and Water Monitoring

Committee Update:

No Report given.

Action Items:

Boy Scouts Water Gardens Projects
New Shoreline Restoration Projects
Plant Sale

District Projects and Operations

Devils Lake Conservation/Aeration Project

All aeration system equipment is functioning as planned and required.

Bill Sexton reported that the airstream unit is ready to plug in and looking at a portable generator for a rental fee of approximately \$1600 per month which would be mobile with the airstream. The electricity is about \$400 per month. Discussion continued on placement and locations.

Steve Brown asked about purchasing a generator. He would like to see an analysis on rental verses purchasing.

Tina French recommended that the airstream unit be placed at Kathy's place.

Action Item: John Tucci will be on site the week of September 16 for summer inspection and adjustment of the aeration system. He has also provided us with the specific coordinates of each diffuser for our plotting and future analytical use. Lake contractor is scheduling maintenance time for changing compressor oil and completing a diffuser inspection.

Devils Lake Video Monitoring Project

The camera is functioning as intended. Staff is evaluating ways to improve the camera systems stability.

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 has been replaced.

Action Item: Due to limited availability and in an effort to reduce operating costs we are evaluating the use of a portable gas generator to power the unit. If this option proves to be useful it could also open-up vastly more areas in which the airstream could operate.

D River/Devils Lake Food 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:

Staff has completed a scoping meeting with Civil West Engineers Services for a proposal to locate a sediment removal channel, provide an estimate of debris volume for potential removal, and identify means and methods for sediment removal.

Staff met with Lincoln City Public Works staff and discussed urgent need to remove the built-up sand woody debris from the 3rd Street Canal (adjacent to bridge) and within D River, South of Kyllows Restaurant. It was agreed that action must be taken, and the city has agreed to assist us in the effort.

Staff has worked to develop a team of regulatory agencies to determine the presence or absence of Pacific Lamprey within the lowest 300 feet of the lake. This sediment zone is identified as an historical and potential current rearing location for larval lamprey, therefore the interest of ODFW and Siletz fisheries biologists. This work was completed July 17 and no significant Lamprey population was found. ODFW has requested that DLWID perform a fish recovery effort for any possible Coho in the channel prior to any excavation work in the river. They have agreed to assist us with the recovery efforts. Staff has contacted dredging contractors and scheduled on-site meetings to determine pricing and possible methods of removal for the sediment.

Water Quality Briefing

Water quality and clarity continues to be excellent in Devils Lake. Algae levels are low and unconsolidated. The Dissolved Oxygen levels (over 95% on the bottom) and pH (avg. 7.4) are currently excellent indicating a healthy water chemistry. There is a higher volume of plants in the lake as compared to previous years which is to be expected. However, the lake still needs a substantial amount of revegetation in order to maintain a good natural balance. DLWID staff will continue monitoring the plant growth and present vegetation management options as necessary.

The District continues to work on identifying sources of pollution in Thompson Creek.

General Operations

Bacterial Sampling Season has begun. Since Memorial Day week water samples have been collected and tested for E.coli. Results are emailed and posted on www.DLWID.org weekly. This year the E.coli level has not exceeded the minimum threshold in the lake.

Action Item: Steve Brown said there will be a discussion at the next meeting about introducing grass carp into the lake.

New Business

Action Item: John Tucci of Lake-Savers plans to travel to Oregon the week of September 16 to evaluate and adjust the aeration system.

Non-Agenda Items

Action Items:

The Regatta Park food vendor deed restriction removal
Emergency Planning

Tina French said the Thompson Creek sediment conversation is ongoing along with the D River project.

Adjournment

Tina French moved to adjourn the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business Meeting for August 8, 2019 at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joann Glass
Recorder