



**Devils Lake Water Improvement District  
Regular Business Meeting  
Taft High School Auditorium  
July 14, 2022**

**Call to Order**

**Tina French, Chair**, Called the Devils Lake Water Improvement District to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**DLWID Directors Present:** Tina French, Steve Brown, Mitch Moore, Robb Ellis, Keith Fowler  
**Lake Manager, Executive Director:** Josh Brainerd

**Approval of Consent Agenda and June Meeting Minutes**

**Steve Brown** motioned, "To approve the Consent Agenda and the June meeting minutes."

**Robb Ellis** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Monthly Financial Report**

**Steve Brown** motioned, "To approve the monthly Financial Report."

**Mitch Moore** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments**

The Directors welcomed each comment and questions from the audience. It was emphasized by many that regular communication from the Directors is encouraged through the Neighborhood Association, and social media.

The Board Directors explained:

Grass Carp necessity is time sensitive, and they need to have Lincoln City work with them in obtaining and providing financial support. The cost is per fish and per size of the fish.

Fish and Wildlife have been communicated with for support including other state governmental agencies that are and can be involved.

A mechanical harvester will be on the lake for approximately 1 week to clear the weeds. Lake owners are asked to provide \$300 toward the fee for the use of the mechanical harvester.

**Steve Brown** motioned, "That Devils Lake Water Improvement District contribute \$10,000 toward the mechanical harvester."

**Robb Ellis** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

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

Committee Update – No update

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

Committee Update – Josh Brainerd reported they continue to monitor. There is a multi-tiered effort with the mechanical harvesting.

## **District Projects and Operations**

### **Communications Report**

The quarterly communications report is complete, and a subsequent quarterly newsletter was released this month. General topics included are:

1. Herbicide treatments for nuisance submerged aquatic vegetation
2. Meetings in early June with ODFW regarding the re-introduction of sterile grass carp in Devils Lake
3. EPA, DEQ, ODFW sampling event for National Lakes Assessment
4. D River Dredging permit update – There needs to be a permit obtained from the Army Corp of Engineers to execute.
5. Status of marina property – The Board is looking for help with maintaining the scheduled boat rentals.
6. E. coli update and summary from previous years -- The summary is that E.coli is drastically down and has been in decline the last several years.

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

All equipment is fully operational and maintained per schedule

### **Devils Lake Aquatic Vegetation Management**

Pilot Herbicide treatments for nuisance submerged aquatic vegetation began 6-13-2022. It may take up to 10 weeks to see visible results. Staff is currently monitoring any changes in water quality and vegetation density.

Meeting with ODFW regarding the potential re-planting of sterile grass carp in Devils Lake was attended by DLWID staff Joshua Brainerd and Tom Wood. ODFW staff in attendance was John Spangler and Gary Galovich. DLWID is preparing a statement to present to the ODFW Commission at their next available Commission meeting.

### **Devils Lake Flood Protection**

Campbell Environmental is currently completing the Corps/DSL/DEQ permit Biological Assessment. They are coordinating with Civil West to provide a design drawing for the temporary sediment laydown storage pad, due West of the D River outlet. This sediment pad location drawing has been completed. Another coordinating meeting between the parties will be held during July or August.

### **Action Items**

Civil West to complete design for sediment laydown pad. Campbell Environmental to complete Biological Assessment.

### **Water Quality Briefing**

Dissolved oxygen levels and water clarity remain very high lake wide. No problematic algae have been identified within the water column.

E. coli general update and discussion summary, major reductions in detections continue since the installation of the aeration system.

### **New Business**

Herbicide treatment monitoring Elodea continues

Status of marina property – The property cannot be inhabited in the condition it is in. Working with the City to possibly place a mobile building in its place.

General discussion of temporary office option—A temporary office is being pursued for Josh to work in.

### **Action Items**

None at this time.

### **Non-Agenda Items**

#### **Action Items**

None at this time.

### **Adjournment**

**Tina French** adjourned the Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Business meeting at 8:15 p.m.

### **Respectfully Submitted,**

Joann Glass

Recorder