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MONTHLY MEETING

October 15, 2024

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER - Chairman Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Rochester Village Hall. Commissioners present were Doug Webb, Joseph Kolosso, Shelley Hildebrandt, John Lutz, and Sharon Travis. Commissioner Nick Ahlers arrived during the meeting. One District resident was also in attendance.

2.0 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – September 17, 2024 - Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the September 17, 2024 meeting, which had been previously presented to the commissioners. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz and carried.

3.0 APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT - September 2024 - The treasurer's September 2024 report was read, and Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections. No corrections were noted and a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read was made Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Travis and carried.

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Dam Structures/Dikes – Another set of dam boards will be prepared this winter and installed in spring. Chairman Webb will request a bid for the replacement of boards in the bridges so they may be able to be prepared at the same time.

4.2 Roads and ROWs – Commissioner Kolosso reminded the board that this will be the last winter under the current snowplowing contract, so new bids will need to be requested in spring of 2025. A new “No Parking Sign” was installed in the north ROW of W. Lakeshore Dr., across from the north beach parking lot.

4.3 Beaches/Parks/Trees – Commissioner Lutz reported that there was a low hanging branch by the parking lot at the north beach that may need to be cut. A quote from Cutting Edge Lawn and Landscaping of \$665 for fall cleanup was received. A motion to approve the quote was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Travis and carried.

4.4 Lakes – Commissioner Hildebrandt reported that highly invasive Quagga mussels were recently found in Lake Geneva and presented the board with information regarding this species. Lake Geneva is the first inland lake where this species has been found since taking over Lake Michigan. Commissioner Hildebrandt also contacted SEWRPC and they indicated they would be able to assist the District in planning erosion control and mapping wetlands and environmental corridors, if requested. Chairman Webb indicated that the additional residents he contacted regarding a potential dredging project were not strongly for or against such a project.

4.5 Town/Village/County News – Commissioner Lutz reported that there were 116 Sheriff calls in Spring Prairie in August, and 135 calls in September. ASDA, the garbage service provider, will be changing its pick-up schedule, which may change the day that garbage is picked up on the Spring Prairie portion of the District. ASDA has indicated that they will notify residents prior to changing garbage pick-up days. Commissioner Lutz also reported that the Town of Spring Prairie will be holding a special meeting for electors on October 30th to vote on a resolution to exceed the state allowed tax levy by 14.5%.

5.0 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS

5.1 - Discuss repair of County Line Road Project –The repaving of County Line Road, from Buena to Ravine, has been completed. There was a problem with the drainage elevations at the last driveway; however, the contractor indicated that they would correct the problem at no extra cost.

5.2 – Discuss District wide tree trimming project – This project was postponed until the first week of November. Commissioner Webb received nine contacts from residents concerned about the trimming of their trees. Commissioner Webb stated he discussed with the residents why the trimming was being done and that the arborist recommended that limbs be trimmed to their trunks for the health of the tree. However, if the resident still objected to the trimming, Chairman Webb will instruct the contractor to trim the limbs to the edge of pavement, not to the trunks.

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5.3 – Update on moving banking from Chase to BMO Harris – Commissioner Kolosso and Commissioner Hildebrandt met with a representative of BMO Harris Bank on October 2nd and several accounts were opened for the District and a safe deposit box was assigned. The accounts with Chase Bank will be closed once all monies have transferred and outstanding checks have cleared.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1– Determine schedule for lowering water levels in the lakes – Following a discussion by the board it was determined to request Custom Grading to remove the dam boards on October 25th, which will subsequently lower the water levels in the lakes.

7.0 MONTHLY BILLS

OCTOBER BILLS SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS

Doug Webb	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
Shelley Hildebrandt	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
Joseph Kolosso	Commissioner compensation	\$250.00
John Lutz	Commissioner compensation	\$100.00
Nick Ahlers	Commissioner compensation	\$100.00
UW-Stevens Point Water & Environmental Analysis Lab	Water Testing of Honey Lake Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$99.00
Shelley Hildebrandt-Reimbursement	Adobe Software	\$12.99
	Office Supplies/Mailings	
	Return of Safety Hasp	-\$8.99
	Menards – New Hasp	\$2.99
	Printer Ink (subject to correction – actual cost \$42.99)	\$71.99
	Office Supplies/Mailings	

A motion to approve the monthly bills was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz, and carried unanimously.

The following employee time sheets were submitted for approval: Sept. 22 to Sept. 29; 13.5 hours. A motion to approve the employee time sheets was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Ahlers, and carried unanimously.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - There were no public comments.

9.0 ADJOURN (*Next monthly meeting November 19, 2024*)

A motion to adjourn, subject to recall, was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Ahlers, and carried at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hildebrandt
Secretary