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## MONTHLY MEETING

May 20, 2025

**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 was not in attendance.

**2.0 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES** - Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the April 15, 2025 meeting, which had been previously presented to the commissioners. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Commissioner Kolosso, seconded by Commissioner Lutz and carried.

**3.0 APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT** - The treasurer's April 2025 report was read. Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections. No corrections were noted and a motion to approve the treasurers report as read was made Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz and carried.

### 4.0 REPORTS

**4.1 Dam Structures/Dikes** – Commissioner Lutz and Chairman Webb brought up concerns regarding several areas of erosion on the east berm, north of the south beach, and at the north outlet of Honey Lake into Honey Creek. Chairman Webb also indicated that the dikes will be mowed soon.

**4.2 Roads and ROWs** – A&A Services is continuing to patch potholes and place gravel in the ROWs, and the general services and costs were discussed. It is planned to install the speed bumps on County Line Road within the next week, weather permitting.

**4.3 Beaches/Parks/Trees** – Sand was placed on both beaches, and some low areas in the grass near the north beach were filled with soil.

**4.4 Lakes** – A boat with an out-board motor, which was launched from a trailer towed by a lawn tractor across the pedestrian bridge, was observed on Honey Lake. District rules prohibit motorized traffic on the pedestrian bridge and dikes, boat launching is carry-in only, the only boat launch is located at the north beach area, and no internal combustion engines are allowed on the lake. Commissioner Lutz informed the boat users of the rules, and they removed the boat and motor from the lake.

A resident on Delmonte Lake recently contacted the District regarding a plant growing along the lakeshore near his property. Chairman Webb and Commissioner Hildebrandt observed the plant, but it could not be identified by them or the DNR given its immature state. The resident was given information regarding appropriate actions he is allowed to take, and was also given the contact information for the DNR lake biologist for Honey Lake.

**4.5 Town/Village/County News** – Commissioner Lutz gave a summary of recent Town of Spring Prairie reports and actions. This included that Shelly Weeks was appointed the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Lynn Lien was appointed as an alternate to the Board of Review, and Mike Brady was appointed to the Planning Commission. The Town approved the installation of ATV/UTV signs on town roads. It is understood that Walworth County will be using salt brine to treat roads in the future, which may limit the availability of salt.

### 5.0 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS

**5.1 – Discussion and possible action on potential Dredging project and Pre-Dredge Survey proposals** – Commissioner Kolosso presented a summary of information about dredging and the Delavan Lake dredging project that was presented at the recent Walworth County Lakes Association meeting, which he and Commissioner Lutz attended. The board also discussed the three Pre-Dredge Survey proposals that were received from Ayres and Associates, Hey and Associates, and Kapur and Associates. A motion to approve the Pre-Dredge Survey proposal from Hey and Associates (Hey proposal no. 24-0238, Honey Lake Dredging Investigation) for the entire lake for \$10,000, plus miscellaneous costs; and to include a bathymetric survey of Honey Lake, sediment sampling, and a preliminary evaluation of select potential disposal sites, was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Travis and carried.

### 6.0 NEW BUSINESS

**6.1 – Discussion and possible action on “No fishing on the beach” signs** – It was proposed to re-install signs on each of the beaches indicating that fishing from the beach areas is prohibited. Following a discussion, a motion to approve purchasing four no fishing signs, two for each beach, for a cost not to exceed \$500 was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Travis and carried.

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**7.0 MONTHLY BILLS**

**MAY 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	\$50.00
Walworth County Lakes Association	Annual Dues WLP/Conventions/Meetings	\$50.00
Custom Grading, Inc.	Construction of 2 new dam gates #1, #5 Dam/Dikes/Drawdown	\$6,720.00
Custom Grading, Inc.	Lower Dam boards on 4/30/2025 Dam/Dikes/Drawdown	\$200.00
Burlington Ace Hardware	3 cans of small engine fuel	\$113.97
A&A Outdoor Services	Remove brush pile Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$1,160.00
A&A Outdoor Services	Shouldering – County Line Blvd. Cold Patching –Spring Prairie Roads Spring Prairie Roads	\$1,051.36 \$831.06
Southern Lakes Newspapers, LLC	Ads for Snowplowing bids, 3 weeks Roads	\$40.36
Wisconsin Lakes	Annual membership dues WLP/Conventions/Meetings	\$375.00
Shelley Hildebrandt-Reimbursement	Adobe Software Office Supplies	\$12.99
Joseph Kolosso – Reimbursement	Caution tape 2 rolls \$39.94 less 11% rebate \$4.39 Beaches/Parks/Trees Printer Ink \$47.92 and Paper \$11.14 Office Supplies	\$35.55 \$59.06

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

Employee time sheets submitted for approval totaled 9.5 hours for 4.21.25 to 5.4.25. A motion to approve the time sheets was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Hildebrandt, and carried.

**8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT** - Resident Forrest George discussed damage and potential damage to his electrical service from about 8-12 trees located near or within the ROWs at Lakewood and Nevada Ave. This area was not trimmed during the recent WeEnergies tree trimming. Mr. George requested that the trees at least be pruned, but preferably be removed.

**9.0 ADJOURN** *(Next monthly meeting June 17, 2025)*

A motion to adjourn, subject to recall, was made by Commissioner Travis, seconded by Commissioner Lutz, and carried at 8:03 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hildebrandt  
Secretary