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MONTHLY MEETING

July 15, 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 Nick Ahlers. Commissioner Sharon Travis was not in attendance. No residents were present.

2.0 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - Chairman Webb asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the June 17, 2025 meeting, which had previously been presented to the commissioners. No corrections were noted, and a motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Kolosso and carried.

3.0 APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT - The treasurer's June 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 Ahlers, seconded by Commissioner Lutz and carried.

4.0 REPORTS

4.1 Dam Structures/Dikes – No reports.

4.2 Roads and ROWs – Earlier this year WeEnergies excavated within a District ROW and did not obtain a permit from the District. Following several interactions, WeEnergies paid the required permit fee.

4.3 Beaches/Parks/Trees – Commissioner Kolosso noted that the small park on Delmonte Road needs to be mowed. The District is considering culling the Canada geese on Honey Lake to address their impact on the beaches. There is a tree at the outlet of Tahoe Lake that may impede water flow in the future. Various methods to remove this tree were discussed. Chairman Webb indicated that an estimate of about \$4,500 to \$5,000 was obtained to provide electrical service to the park on Shervin.

4.4 Lakes – The treatment of Honey Lake for Curly Leaf Pondweed was performed on June 24th. Hey and Associates has tentatively scheduled the Pre-Dredge Bathymetric Survey of Honey Lake for July 28th. This survey will provide measurements of the thickness of sediment in the lake and they have been requested to provide the preliminary results for the annual meeting on August 24th, if possible. Commissioner Hildebrandt observed highly invasive Yellow Flag Iris near one of the drains in Delmonte Lake and possibly along the shoreline of Tahoe Lake, as well as invasive Phragmites. These areas will be monitored and addressed as necessary.

Commissioner Lutz stated that the water levels in Honey Lake are very high, with additional rain expected this week. The board discussed potentially removing boards from the drawdown device to address this issue.

4.5 Town/Village/County News – Commissioner Lutz gave a summary of recent Town of Spring Prairie reports and actions. The Town will increase the Planning Commission to seven members. There was also a discussion of the Town property tax assessment Board of Review process, which is currently occurring. Chairman Webb inquired as to the Towns contract for garbage service and if it stipulated that small trucks be used on District owned roads within Spring Prairie as is required in the Rochester portion of the District. Commissioner Lutz will inquire with the Town.

5.0 UNRESOLVED BUSINESS

5.1 – Discussion and possible action on tree trimming/removal at Nevada Ave. - A resident recently requested that several trees within the ROW of Nevada Avenue be trimmed or removed to avoid the possibility of damage to the electrical lines across the street. Estimates ranging from \$900 to \$2,000 for removal of individual trees, for a total of \$4,700 to remove three groups of the trees, were obtained. Following discussions during the June and July meetings, a motion to not cut the trees on Nevada Avenue was made by Commissioner Lutz, seconded by Commissioner Kolosso and carried.

5.2 – Discussion and possible action on ATV/UTV road signs within the District – The Town of Spring Prairie recently approved the use of ATVs/UTVs on town roads and is currently posting the associated road signs. The Town indicated that they will post “End of Trail” signs at or near the ends of Kearney and Potter roads that are closest to the District, which will prohibit ATV/UTV traffic on the portion of District roads in the Town of Spring Prairie. ATVs/UTVs are also not allowed on Village of Rochester roads.

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5.3 - Discuss and finalize Annual Meeting Agenda and Proposed Budget – The Annual Meeting will be August 24th, 2026 at 1:30 pm at the Rochester Village Hall. The meeting notice, agenda and proposed budget was discussed and Commissioner Hildebrandt will make typographic corrections as needed prior to its release.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS – None

7.0 MONTHLY BILLS

JULY 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
Nick Ahlers	Commissioner compensation	\$50.00
UW-Stevens Point – WEAL	Water Testing for Honey Lake Water & Environmental Analysis Lab Lake Maintenance Inv. # 5000726	\$52.00
Custom Grading, Inc.	Sand for Beaches Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$1,130.00
A&A Outdoor Services	Traffic Bond around storage shed in park Beaches/Parks/Trees	\$493.05
Cutting Edge Lawn Maint. & Landscaping	Mowing 4-28	\$190.00
	Mowing 6-9, 6-28	\$380.00
	Beaches/Parks/Trees	
CDF Enterprises, Inc.	Mow Dikes and Berm	\$450.00
	Dam/Dikes/Drawdown	
	Beaches/Parks/Trees	
Burlington ACE Hardware	Contractor garbage bags and grass seed	\$32.98
	Beaches/Parks/Trees	
	John Deere riding mower repair	\$88.48
Shelley Hildebrandt-Reimbursement	Maintenance/equipment	
	Adobe Software	\$12.99
	Printer Ink	\$78.99
	Printer Paper	\$10.12
Office Supplies		
Joseph Kolosso – Reimbursement	11% Rebate for “No Fishing” sign posts Beaches/Parks/Trees	(\$4.40)
Doug Webb – Reimbursement	Faux coyotes for beaches – Amazon	\$126.58
	Posts for “No Fishing” signs	\$39.96
	Beaches/Parks/Trees	

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

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Employee time sheets submitted for approval: 6/17 – 6/30/25, 16.5 hours. A motion to approve the time sheets was made by Commissioner Ahlers, seconded by Commissioner Lutz, and carried.

8.0 PUBLIC COMMENT - There were no public comments.

9.0 ADJOURN (*Next monthly meeting August 19, 2025*)

A motion to adjourn, subject to recall, was made by Commissioner Ahlers, seconded by Commissioner Kolosso, and carried at 8:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hildebrandt
Secretary