

Mudhen Lake Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2026

On-Line Meeting was called to order at 7:05PM, Chuck Awe on Tuesday, **April 28, 2026.**

There were 6 members in attendance.

Approval of Agenda Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mike Hoefs. Jerry Fedie seconded the motion. Agenda was approved.

Approve the minutes for 3/11/2026 Board of Commissioners Meeting: Jerry Fedie motioned to approve the agenda. Grant Wilhelm seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Discussion on Short-Term Rentals – Chuck Awe spoke with Craig Conroy with Burnett County Land and Conservation and learned that the state passes the statues. The Mud Hen lake Board does not have any authority regarding the short-term rentals. The article regarding the short-term rentals from the Lakelines was shared that referenced the licensing agreement that is required. In addition, once approved by the county, the article states that the county will send a copy of the license to all adjacent property owners and to the Town Clerk. Mike Hoefs will reach out to Daniels Town Board to clarify how many licenses have been approved for Mud Hen Lake. This information will be provided at the June Board Meeting.

Reports

Financial – Mike Hoefs shared that no checks have been written since the last meeting. The financials remain the same as the 3/11/2026 Board Meeting. Mike Hoefs is currently checking into the potential discrepancy in the amount of funds that are due to the Mud Hen lake Rehabilitation District for 2026.

Banking Status Update – Mary Sagstetter shared that she has been in contact with the US BANK division in Texas that is working with Mud Hen Lake Rehabilitation District to change the current account to a government account. There are three documents that Mary Sagstetter, Chuck Awe and Mike Hoefs need to sign to be associated with the new accounts. These documents will be signed in May and provided to US Bank contact to move the checking and savings account to a government account.

Address establishment (PO BOX) –Chuck Awe suggested that the discussion should be brought to the Electors and Property Owners at the Annual meeting to approve the cost \$76 of a year. This will be added to the Annual Meeting agenda.

Website Discussion –Website is in progress. A new site had to be created – located at <https://mudlake.lakekit.net>. Chuck Awe and Mary Sagstetter continue to work on the structure to be able to move this forward as an active site for the Electors and Property Owners. The website will be shared with the Electors and Property Owners at the June 2026 Board meeting. A vote will be taken at the Annual Meeting in August 2026 to continue this resource as a support for the Mud Hen Lake Rehabilitation District.

Water Quality Testing Update – Garry Loufek is coming back again to work with us again on June 13, 2026. Property Owners are requested to bring a sample of lake water (1 cup) from their shoreline for testing. Garry Loufek will provide a chemical analysis of the sample to share a picture of the lake health.

ILID Update – The ILIDS camera was installed on April 19, 2026 by Noah Baumann the owner of our new management company – Lake Shield. Noah mentioned that there is new technology that could meet our needs of drawing attention to protecting Mud Hen Lake and address the spreading the aquatic invasive species. Mary Sagstetter and Mike Hoefs will schedule a meeting at the landing in May. This information will be shared at the June 2026 meeting.

Lakelines Newsletter Update – The Burnett County Lakes and Rivers Association Newsletter has been mailed to all the property owners on Mud Hen Lake. Our District pays dues (\$150/year) for these newsletters to be provided to our property owners at no cost. The spring edition should be arriving soon at permanent addresses. This edition can also be accessed on line at: <https://bclra.org/lakelines/>

Update on Mud Hen Lake APM Plan 2026 SMART Goals

Each Board Member addressed the goal listed for further understanding and provided a potential plan for measurable and achievable outcomes, taking the SMART goals process into consideration.

Plan Goals

1. Maintain and improve water quality conditions. – Jerry Feddie
2. Enhance and maintain the diverse populations of native aquatic plants. – Chuck Awe
3. Prevent the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS). Mary Sagstetter and Mike Hoefs
4. Reduce and control the population of purple loosestrife and monitor and control the spread of curly-leaf pondweed. – Jerry Feddie
5. Educate the Mud Hen Lake community and guests regarding aquatic plant management, management strategies and appropriate plant management actions. – Grant Wilhelm

Board Members will report update at the June 13, 2026 meeting.

Future agenda items

- July 21st Budget Meeting
- Letter for Elector and Property Owners for Annual Meeting
- Ayers Report
- Post Office Box
- Website update
- Establishing a Fund Balance
- Election/terms
- ILIDS New Technology

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Grant Wilhem. Mike Hoefs seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting of the Board of Commissioners’ 8 AM, Saturday, June 13, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Sagstetter

Mary Sagstetter, Secretary

Reports On-line:

Join Mud Hen Lake Community Group on Facebook. Ask to join and answer questions.

2026 MUDHEN LAKE ILIDS (lake camera) report located at: **LINK PENDING**

MUDHEN Aquatic Plant Management Plan Update: 2025-2030:

<https://www.burnettcountywi.gov/1120/Past-Projects>

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<https://townofdaniels.com/meetings/>

Scheduled Upcoming In-person Meeting Dates: June 13, 2026, August 8, 2026, October 10, 2026