

**APPROVED MINUTES
CHISAGO LAKES LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
Monday, March 4, 2019**

The Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District Board of Directors met for their monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 4, 2019 at the Chisago County Government Center, Conference Room 150B in Center City, MN with the following Board of Directors present: Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Also present: Administrator Jerry Spetzman, Chisago County Water Resource Manager Susanna Wilson Witkowski, Emmons & Olivier Resources, Inc. staff Greg Graske, and 1 citizen.

The Chair Mike Mergens called the business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Anastasi offered a motion to approve the agenda for the Lake Improvement District (LID) meeting, as amended. Motion seconded by Director Sandgren and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Director Behnke offered a motion to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2019 LID Board meeting. Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Spetzman provided the Board with the February 2019 year-to-date budget summary and stated that the budget was on track.

Greg Graske, Emmons and Olivier Resources Inc., (EOR) updated the Board on the North Center North Lindstrom Channel Maintenance Project.

Director Anastasi offered a motion to approve payment of the following invoices:

95 Printing	2018 Water Quality Monitoring Report (printing (\$167.04) and binding (\$18.00) 8 sets).	185.04
95 Printing	2018 Water Resources Annual Report (printing (\$77.44), binding (\$16.00), and set-up (\$25.00) for 8 sets).	118.44
EOR - January	Field meeting with Chisago Lake Township to discuss turn around and space constraints. 2018 project fact sheets for annual meeting, prep for Board meeting, communications with Jerry.	1,202.00
EOR - January	Mileage - reimbursable.	80.12
EOR - January	Attend Board meeting on January 7, 2019.	250.00
EOR - January	Preparation for AIS Subcommittee meeting on February 5, 2019.	93.75

Monthly Expense Total	1,929.35
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Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

The Chair opened the Citizen's Forum at 6:37 p.m. One citizen offered comments. The Chair closed the Citizen's Forum at 6:38 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the minutes from the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Subcommittee Meeting on February 5, 2019.

Wilson Witkowski reviewed with the Board on the new Invasive Phragmites flyer for the Chisago Lakes Chain of Lakes Watershed.

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the LID/Lake Association Aquatic Invasive Species Control Partnership Program proposal for 2019.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to recommend that the Chisago County Board of Commissioners approve the 2019 LID/Lake Association Aquatic Invasive Species Control Partnership Program with the addition of "purple loosestrife and invasive phragmites wherever found" as noted within the proposal. Motion seconded by Director Anastasi and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the St. Croix River Association Phragmites Road Survey Proposal.

Director Kinny offered a motion to recommend that the Chisago County Board of Commissioners approve the 2019 St. Croix River Association Invasive Phragmites Road Survey Request of \$2,895.00 using LID reserve funding. Motion seconded by Director Sandgren and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the 2019 Lake Ellen Carp Barrier Project Proposal and permit application.

Director Behnke offered a motion to allow the LID Board to approve the 2019 Lake Ellen Carp Barrier Project Proposal to prevent carp from spawning in Lake Ellen and to work with the Minnesota Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources for permit approval. Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows:

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the 2019 Chisago to Kroon Lakes Carp Barrier Project Proposal.

Director Behnke offered a motion to allow the LID Board to approve the 2019 Chisago to Kroon Lakes Carp Barrier Project Proposal and up to \$100 to install fencing on the culverts between Chisago and Kroon Lakes. Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Wilson Witkowski and Spetzman reviewed with the Board the KARE 11 Cabin Cast Opportunity for aquatic invasive species prevention.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to allow the LID Board to approve funding \$250 for the KARE 11 Cabin Cast Opportunity. Motion seconded by Director Anastasi and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Spetzman reviewed with the Board LID Water Quality Monitoring Proposal for 2019, including water quality monitoring lab estimates.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to allow the LID Board to approve funding up to \$10,500 for the 2019 Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan Proposal, including the transfer of \$2,000 from Goal 2, Ditch & Weir System, Water Levels: Objective 1, Channel Maintenance and Spraying to Goal 1, Water Quality: Objective 2, Lake Water Quality Monitoring. Motion seconded by Director Anastasi and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Spetzman reviewed with the Board on transferring \$1,000 from 618-6561 Gas and Oil and \$2,000 from 618-6482 Truck/Boat Maintenance to the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention Aid Funding program 619.

Director Behnke offered a motion to recommend the LID Board to approve the transfer of \$1,000.00 from Staff & Administrative Support: Objective 4, Gas & Oil and \$2,000 from Staff & Administrative Support: Objective 4, Truck/Boat Maintenance to budget code 619 Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). Motion seconded by Director Sandgren and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Director Mergens reviewed with the Board on recent lake water level concerns on Pioneer Lake.

Wilson Witkowski updated the Board on the upcoming 2019 Water Summit on May 9 – 10, 2019.

Director Behnke offered a motion to allow the LID Board to pay registration fees for up to three Directors and two Staff totaling \$1,025 (\$205 per person) to attend the 2019 Water Summit on May 9 – 10, 2019. Motion seconded by Director Sandgren and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

OLD BUSINESS

Wilson Witkowski updated with the Board on the Chisago Lakes Home & Business Expo held on March 2 – 3, 2019 and the ad placed in the Chisago County Press Home Show insert.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to allow the LID to approve funding the cost for a Chisago County Press ad for the 2019 Chisago Lakes Home & Business Expo insert. Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher

Director Mergens updated the Board on the cleanup of garbage and recycling on area lakes on the weekend of March 3 - 4, 2019

Wilson Witkowski and Chisago County Commissioner Chris DuBose reviewed with the Board the Lower St. Croix, One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) planning activities, Advisory and Policy Committee meetings.

STAFF & ENGINEERING REPORTS

Greg Graska, Emmons and Olivier Resources Inc., (EOR) updated the Board on the Chisago County Zebra Mussel Assessment, report of calcium levels in Chisago County lakes, and lakes susceptible to zebra mussel colonization in Chisago County.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Motion seconded by Director Kinny and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Joyce Anastasi, Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, and Rob Sandgren. **ABSENT:** Steve Paquay, Gary Schumacher


Mike Mergens, Chair

Attest: 
Susanna Wilson Witkowski, Water Resource Manager