

**APPROVED MINUTES
CHISAGO LAKES LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
Monday, April 1, 2019**

The Chisago Lakes Lake Improvement District Board of Directors met for their monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 1, 2019 at the Chisago County Government Center, Conference Room 150B in Center City, MN with the following Board of Directors present: Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, Steve Paquay, Rob Sandgren and Gary Schumacher **ABSENT:** Joyce Anastasi

Also present: Administrator Jerry Spetzman, Chisago County Water Resource Manager Susanna Wilson Witkowski, Emmons & Olivier Resources, Inc. staff Greg Graske, and 7 citizens.

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

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

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

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

Chisago County Press	Ad for the Chisago Lakes Home & Business Expo March 2019.	100.00
EOR - January	Prep for annual meeting/presentation, coordination on board packet items, communication with Jerry, follow up on turn-around design options, review of wetland/lake classification and potential setbacks for garage near turn-around.	894.00
EOR - January	AIS Subcommittee meeting, coordinating carp projects.	968.75
EOR - January	Mileage - reimbursable.	25.52
EOR - January	Attend Board meeting on February 4, 2019.	250.00
Monthly Expense Total		2,238.27

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

The Chair opened the Citizen's Forum at 6:35 p.m. Three citizens offered comments. The Chair closed the Citizen's Forum at 6:40 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the format of the Lake Level Readings information submitted weekly to the Chisago County Press.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to allow the LID to approve funding up to \$750.00 for publishing up to twenty-five (25) weeks of lake level information in the Chisago County Press for 2019. Motion seconded by Director Schumacher and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, Steve Paquay, Rob Sandgren and Gary Schumacher **ABSENT:** Joyce Anastasi

Spetzman reviewed with the Board the winter fish kill that occurred in 2014 and the potential for a similar fish kill to occur in lakes within the LID in 2019.

Director Paquay offered a motion to allow the LID to approve funding up to \$2,500.00 for the disposal of fish resulting from winter fish kills that occur in the lakes in the Chisago Lakes Chain of Lakes Watershed in 2019. Motion seconded by Director Behnke and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, Steve Paquay, Rob Sandgren and Gary Schumacher **ABSENT:** Joyce Anastasi

Wilson Witkowski reviewed with the Board the options to purchase products to promote the LID and to develop an interactive display to accompany the current LID booth and display. The Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Subcommittee will further review options for promotional products and an interactive display at their next meeting.

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:** Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, Steve Paquay, Rob Sandgren and Gary Schumacher **ABSENT:** Joyce Anastasi

Wilson Witkowski updated the Board on the 2019 Chisago County Aquatic Invasive Species program that includes the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center risk assessments, watercraft inspections, Zebra Mussel Watch program, zebra mussel veliger sampling, Starry Trek (August 17, 2019), Invasive Phragmites workshop (April 24, 2019), aquatic plant point-intercept surveys (North Lindstrom and Wallmark Lakes) and AIS Detector training.

OLD BUSINESS

Wilson Witkowski 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 spring snowmelt and lake levels for the LID.

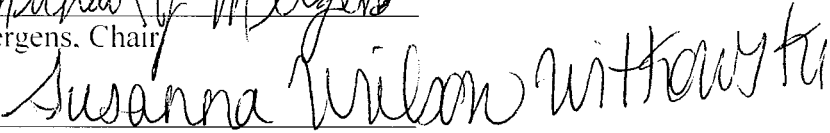
Graska reviewed with the Board the recent Chisago-Lindstrom Lakes Association article and information on spring lake levels.

Graska reviewed with the Board the recent inspection of the Lake Ellen and Lofton Avenue weirs.

Graska updated the Board on the North Center North Lindstrom Channel Maintenance activities. The North Center North Lindstrom Channel Maintenance Subcommittee will schedule a future meeting to continue to discuss maintenance activities.

Director Sandgren offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Motion seconded by Director Schumacher and, upon a vote being taken thereon, the motion **carried** as follows: **IN FAVOR THEREOF:** Jill Behnke, Monica Kinny, Mike Mergens, Steve Paquay, Rob Sandgren and Gary Schumacher **ABSENT:** Joyce Anastasi


Mike Mergens, Chair

Attest: 
Susanna Wilson Witkowski, Water Resource Manager