

LMKP-LID Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
Wednesday Mar 29, 2023, 2:00 P.M.
Veteran's ITOW Museum, Perham, Minnesota

1. Board members participating: Dave Dunning, Blair Anderson, Steve Nelson, Tim Bertschi, Angela Willenbring, Steve Kulik, Marc Winjum, Mark Plencner and Joe Esser via telephone.
2. Motion by Steve Nelson, second by Steve Kulik to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Angela Willenbring, second by Steve Kulik to approve the minutes of the 15 Dec 2022 meeting. Motion carried.
4. George Kuferschmid was recognized as a guest to the meeting.
5. Colby Palmersheim, Otter Tail County Drainage Inspector was introduced to the Board of Directors. Colby is the LID's primary Otter Tail County POC for any coordination regarding lake levels, operation approval at the pump station, etc. Colby discussed antecedent conditions and the expectation of some higher flows and lake levels after snowmelt runoff. When questioned, he also indicated his expectation would be a few hours to a couple days would be the timeframe for County approval on a request from the LID for that approval should it be necessary.
6. Finance Committee. The financial report was reviewed. It was noted by Joe Esser that the balance sheet would show approximately a \$50,000 surplus resulting from no pumping activities and associated costs. A short discussion was held regarding the anticipated costs of securing a new O&M Contractor for the pumphouse. It was noted that the budgeted amount for those services exceeded what was actual costs in past years. Most likely costs would be higher for services to operate and maintain however it is expected not significantly higher.
7. Outlet Committee Report. A written summary of the outlet committee's actions since December was provided and discussed. Pumphouse and access gate re-keyed in Dec 2022. Contacted prospective vendors for the O&M Service Contract work. Will meet onsite with MN Pump Works on 6 April 2023. Pumphouse gauge read 11.1 on 29 March. OHWM on pumphouse gauge is 11.4.
8. Kerbs Channel Committee Report. Angela led discussion regarding concern over people driving through the Kerbs channel over the ice. Also regarding snowmobiles using the berm adjacent to the channel. Options were discussed regarding signage, restricting use of the berm, educating snowmobilers to access the official trail on the SW portion of the lake. Angela will follow up with local snowmobile contacts to coordinate concerns.
9. Appointment of Nominating Committee. Per the bylaws, Dave indicated Blair (because he would no longer be running) would be on the committee. Also, Marc Winjum indicated he would be on the committee. In addition to the vacancy from Blair Anderson being termed out, Joe Esser and Dave Dunning's terms are expiring. A notice and accompanying nominating sheet for those interested in running for the Board will be put on the LID website, and a notice will be sent to all on the mailing list through Bruce Wessman. May 8 is the deadline for nominations.
10. Appointment of the Annual Meeting Site Committee. Mark Plencner will assist Dave with planning and coordination for this. Date of annual meeting is July 8, 2023. Thinking of having this year's meeting at the PAC in Perham.
11. Lake Levels. Nothing to report with lakes iced over. Pumphouse gauge on Little McDonald shows stage of 11.1 which is up from 10.5 at freeze up and approx. 3 1/2" below OHWM.
12. Other business. LID Website. In December Angela and Blair volunteered to seek input on the LID website, review it and recommend changes, modifications to enhance user experience. They discussed many things to be

cleaned up – old obsolete information, some missing information, and cosmetic and functionality enhancements. They also coordinated with Boone Caughey who used to be a LID Board member and does website work professionally. He offered his services at little or no cost to work with a POC from the LID to redesign and update the website. Joe Esser made a motion to pursue this option, seconded by Blair Anderson. Motion carried.

12. Next Meeting Date. June 21, 2023, same location.

13. Meeting as adjourned by Chairman Dunning at 3:19pm.