

**Lakes and Drainage Committee Meeting
1-8-24 (7pm via Zoom)**

Attending:

Betsy Just
Karen Anthony.
Lowell Lorenz.
David Scheirman
Terry Sullivan
Harry Shearer
Kristin Lowell
David Franklin

Visitors:

Danny Gibbons
Jeff Mulryan
Diane Gascon
Maureen Server

Approval of the 12-4-23 Motion made by Karen and second by David S.

Old Business:

Flood Action Status:

Karen wanted to thank:

- Lowell and Bobby for correcting the position of the large pump at the lower gate.
- Bobby for creating a list of instructions on how to start and run the pump that is now attached to the pump
- Status of the Emergency pump is good to go.
- Scott Tobiason for creating the "New Log Book" that is attached to the pump. Now any time the pump is used or maintained we are asking everyone to enter it into the Log book so we can track its usage.
- These were all action items that now make the list complete.

There was also a comment about if we have extra water depth gauges as we would like to add to a couple more to additional locations. We will need to ask Bobby.

We had no near flooding events in the past month. We will continue to monitor through March/April.

Logs in Roger Slough:

The logs the County removed from the slough have all be taken away. There is a big pile of wood chips there that can be used next spring. The chips will not be available until spring they The ground is too wet and soft and they will risk getting stuck in the mud.

Status Report of the Lake Treatment Stockpile:

Bobby was not at the meeting but reported to Bill that he has spent the rest of his 2023 budget with a pallet and a half of EutroSORB and other pond and lake UV blocking dyes we need for treatment. Now that we are 2024 he will start ordering more. So we are good to go.

Review County Study:

Kristen has reviewed the County Study and has several areas of concern. She is going to email the list to Bill, then Bill will review and send it to the rest of the committee and we plan to talk about it at our next meeting. Some of the highlights pertain to Beaver Creek, Upper Salish loop drainage, sediment build up, weed debris and trees falling. More to come on these topics.

New Business:

Status of the Ratification of the New Lakes, Ponds and Stormwater Drainage Plan:

David came across an old document the the previous Roads and Drainage Committee had created many years ago. We have no records that they ever completed it or put it into place. David merged the old document with what our current L&D committee would like to see. We consider this a “live” document and will always be reviewing to improve.

The document states the Lakes, Ponds, Stormwater Drainage Management Plan. It covers:

- Our Goal
- Objectives
- How and who to manage
- Activities
 - *Vegetation management
 - *Biological control of aquatic plants and algae
 - *Control treatment applications
 - *Hydrologic control

Motion made by Lowell to except and approve the document. Kristen second the motion.

2023 Accomplishments & Hours of Service:

Bill asked everyone to email him with our estimated hours of service and a list of accomplishments. It was suggested we could use that data for our next newsletter. Everyone thought that was a great idea.

Kristen made a comment on how impressed she was of how much we’ve accomplished and the BBVCC committee work so far, as she is new.

2024 Needs We Still Need to Work On:

- Carp- We still need to explore way to remove more carp. We were excited Fish and Wildlife wanted to partner with us on the electroshock version but were disappointed they cancelled on us. We will keep exploring options.
- Continue to push the County on BBVCC Projects and financing. We will try to continue to ask for help in a professional way.
- Try to Finalize some of the list of Projects in the County Study
- Water Testing and Documentation Schedule for the lakes and ponds. Kristen said she can help with that. She has done it many times in the past 20 years in her career.
- Kwan piping. Bill suggested that we look at a couple different scenarios that we can “replace” piping instead of “new”. We might be able to avoid permits.

Motion to adjourn by David S. And second by Karen

Minutes by Betsy Just