

Lakes, Ponds and Drainage Committee Meeting
4-1-24 (7pm via zoom)

Attending:

Bill Reilly
Karen Anthony.
David Scheirman.
Betsy Just.
Ken Hecker
Lowell Lorenz
Bobby Hoffer

Visitors:

Jack Dyrland
Susie Walker

BBV Staff:

Terry Sullivan
Harry Shearer

Approval of the 3-4-24 minutes motion made by Karen and 2nd by David S.

Old Business:

Flood Action Status-Pump Removal:

Bobby reported the pump has been removed from the lower gate and put away until next year. The gas was pumped out.

Review County Study:

Bill sent additional questions to Scott with the County and is waiting to hear back.

Gauges:

We do have extra gauges to measure the water levels in the ditch by the lower gate and ponds. We are going to wait until summer when the water levels are lower and possibly remeasure and replace a few.

Recruit New Members:

We had a member resign and L&D is looking for a new committee member. It was suggested that we move our ADHOC Scott Tobiason to that position. We will ask him first if he would like to except.

Motion to Approve was made by Lowell that if he accepts he will be our new Lakes,Ponds and Drainage member. 2nd motion made by Ken. All in favor.

Carp: We decided to table the carp discussion until the June meeting as there is nothing new to report. Fish and Wildlife is still due to come do the electroshock in July. Ken will follow up with them to be sure we are still on their schedule. Now that the weather is getting warmer there have been a lot of carp sightings.

NewBusiness:

Pump Outlet To Marina:

Bill suggested we start to study the pump and pipe that goes from Thunderbird lake to the marina. Bill feels it is way too long and would be more comfortable if the path was shortened. There was another pipe in that area that Bill asked Bobby if it might be usable? Bobby said for unknown reasons it was filled in with concrete so that is unusable. Bobby said the pump was was running all winter. We will look into how long the life expectancy is for that pump.

Mission Statement Review:

The mission statement is done. Terry explained that the purpose of the mission statement was so that residents could be made aware of what each committee does.

Motion to Approve was made by Betsy and 2nd Karen. All in favor.

Phosphorus Testing:

BBV Maintenance has taken responsibility for occasional phosphorus testing since BBV discontinued its relationship with WWU's Institute for Watershed Studies a decade ago. Outside contractor then AuqaTechnex provided this testing in 2023. Our Lakes Management Plan now re-assigns this responsibility to Committee Members, to be done monthly April-September. Bill suggested a committee member accompany (BBV) Maintenance to assist, confirm testing locations and document the process.

EutroSORB Application Date:

Bobby and crew plan on applying the first application around April 14. It was suggested that we test the water before and after the application.

Duckweed Removal:

We really are going to work hard to figure out how to address the duckweed build up on the golf course pond near hole 5. Jack Dyrland mentioned that he lives on hole 3 and his pond has started to have duckweed. Bobby is going to check with his vendor supplier and see what he suggests.

Newsletter Topics:

We decided the next topic will be Understand Phosphorus-Where It Comes From and Why it Needs to be Addressed.

Motion to adjourn by David S. And 2nd by Ken
Minutes submitted by Betsy Just.