

Devils Lake Water Improvement District Regular Board Meeting

Taft Hall 1206 SE 48th St. Lincoln City, Oregon and via zoom

November 14, 2024

MINUTES

- 1. Called to order at 6:00 pm
- 2. Roll Call:

Board members present: Dayton Mays, Tina French, Bob Stolberg, Keith Fowler, Susan

Elworth

Board members absent: none

Staff present: Boone Marker, Lake Manager

3. Approval of November Consent Agenda and October Board Meeting Minutes

Discussion: none

MOTION: Moved by Dayton Mays, seconded by Keith Fowler, to approve the November consent agenda, and October 9, 2024 meeting minutes, as presented. No further discussion. Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Tina French – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports – October

Discussion: Discussion took place about corrections that have been make to report.

MOTION: Moved by Susan Elworth, seconded by Bob Stolberg, to accept the October financial report as presented. No further discussion.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Tina French – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Jay Roelof asked about the draft watermark on the minutes posted on the website. Boone said he will update the minutes on the website to remove draft watermark from the approved minutes.

6. Increase of Bookkeeping Fees & Contract Update

Discussion: Board members said they received the updated contract update. Tina suggested a 30-day termination clause instead of 2 weeks.

MOTION: Tina French moved to change "2 weeks" to "30 days" for the termination clause and authorize the board president to sign the contract on behalf of the board. Motion was seconded by Susan Elworth. No further discussion.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Tina French – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Blue Heron Landing

Discussion: The board discussed details of placing the Blue Heron Landing property up for sale. It was agreed that the total cost to the district for Blue Heron Landing is \$958,000 to date.

MOTION: Tina French moved to hire Dennis Regen of Taylor & Taylor Realty, with 2.5% seller's commission, for no less than \$1.2 M for the two parcels or \$1.3 M if sold separately, and include language for the sale to be approved by the board, listed three ways: in its entirety, as existing two parcels, or divided into 3 parcels. Keth Fowler seconded the motion.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Tina French – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes

Motion passed unanimously.

It was agreed that two board members will work on the listing. Susan and Bob agreed to work with Boone to create the listing. Boone will get information to Dennis tomorrow on the dock leases.

8. Staff Report

District Projects & Operations

Devil Lake Aquatic Vegetation Management

- DSL easement permit submitted for aerators. Survey completed and submitted to Lincoln County and DSL.
- DEQ follow up sampling week of Nov. 11

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- Bi-Annual report to ODFW submitted. Next on is October 2026
- Indian Shores use of portable aerator

Discussion: Boone was asked about placement of the aerators after being cleaned, and Boone reported that the placement was near their original positions.

Boone reported that DEQ took samples this week from Regatta, and expects results next week

Discussion took place about placing an aerator at Indian Shores and the reasons it will not work (too shallow and lack of 220 voltage). Indian Shores is looking to purchase its own unit. It was suggested that they look into pond aerators.

Blue Heron Landing/Marina

- Update: Blue Heron Landing sale
- Kayaks and trailer are listed on GovDeals a surplus website.

Discussion: Boone reported that he has sold 3 kayaks to one person, and the trailer and other kayak are still for sale.

Devils Lake Flood Protection & Dredging Project

- DOWL to coordinate engineering specifics for dredging project. Encouraged to submit permit once design and disposal location are identified.
 - Need to confirm dewatering and disposal for permit.
 - Footprints of new plans they can change after submitting permit application.
 Still working with engineering to propose new plans.
 - Met with Campbell Environmental will continue to help with project and provide some guidance.
 - Suggested hiring a construction consultant to work with engineering for scope and to move forward with RFP

Discussion: Boone reported he is having issues working with DOWL, and thinks that DOWL doesn't feel DLWID's project is the scope they are interested in. He has reached out to Rich at the Vancouver office of PDS. He said he may possibly need to circle back to Civil West, and is discussing the project with others, Larry Morris and possibly Campbell Environmental. Discussion took place about locations and contractors. Bob asked about K&E doing the work for DLWID. Further discussion of whether it needs to be put out to bid. Tina said that this was discussed at the last meeting. Susan remembered that SDAO said to get scope of work from the DOWL engineer, but they are not getting back to Boone. There is no good space for dewatering and disposal. Discussion of dredging and dewatering method took place. Tina suggested reaching out to Yaquina Bay, Astoria, or Coos Bay for civil engineer with environmental emphasis. Keith will reach out to clients who are civil engineers, Bob suggested some local companies he found from an internet search. Tina said she is hesitant about paying for a report that would not be applicable. Boone said he will find a company to work with. Bob expressed concern about getting steps taken care of before time runs out.

Grants/Fundraising

 Met with National Special District Coalition for grant consultation about opportunities for dredging project. Provide 3 funding sources from EPA and USACE for flood risk management projects.

Discussion: Boone reported on meeting with NSDC. He will also be contacting Cassidy Boyle, City emergency manager, about flood mitigation. Boone said he will stay in the loop with 3rd Street flooding work. Susan suggested a calendar of when grants are due, from the list from Maggie, so that no opportunities are missed.

SDAO webinar about ADA compliance for DLWID website was mentioned. Boone reported that he is exploring ways to upgrade the website to be in compliance. Discussion of cost (initial and ongoing). It was agreed to look into possible solutions. Vt5

Events

 Nov. 18 – City Council @ 6pm – Discussion of ordinance changes to Flood Development Code per FEMA. This will increase protections on water quality, flood storage, and riparian habitat for new development.

Discussion: none

12. Board Comment

Susan asked about follow-up on the vandalism at Blue Heron Landing Boone said he will contact the police department about who is investigating the matter.

13. Public Comment

Marc Lowen asked about the City's action on Monday re: flood mitigation/FEMA/endangered species, and asked about the effect of the permitting process on dredging. Tina and Boone said they plan to attend the council meeting.

Jay Roelof said that and internet search for DLWID didn't bring up Devils Lake Water Improvement District. Discussion took place and it was determined that it did work.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm

Next Meeting Date: December 12, 2024 – 6:00 pm at Taft Hall

Submitted by Susan Wahlke