



Devils Lake Water Improvement District
Regular Board Meeting

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

February 13, 2025

MINUTES

1. **Called to order at 6:00 pm** by Dayton Mays
2. **Roll Call:**
Board members present: Bob Stolberg (left at 6:30) and Dayton Mays in-person, Susan Elworth and Keith Fowler (at 6:03) virtually.

Board members absent: Tina French

Staff present: Boone Marker, Lake Manager

3. **Approval of February Consent Agenda and January 9, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes**

Discussion:

MOTION: Moved by Dayton Mays, seconded by Bob Stolberg, to approve the February consent agenda, as presented.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes; Tina French – absent; Motion passed unanimously

MOTION: Moved by Dayton Mays, seconded by Bob Stolberg, to approve the January 9, 2025 meeting minutes, as presented.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – abstained; Tina French – absent; Motion passed unanimously;

4. **Approval of Monthly Financial Reports – December & January**

Discussion: Items of interest in January have been corrected in December report. Discussion of changes that were needed. It was noted that one report was labeled as the incorrect month. Susan asked about marina misc expense (7750). Boone reported on conversation with Cameron about misc expenses. Boone will check with Cameron again.

MOTION: Moved by Bob Stolberg, seconded by Dayton Mays, to approve the December and January financial reports, with clarifications.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – yes; Susan Elworth – yes; Tina French – absent; Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None at this time.

6. Blue Heron Landing Update with Dennis Regen -

Dennis Regen was not present for a report.

7. 2025-26 Budget Committee

a. Committee Applications and Appointment

Discussion: Boone said that Mitch Moore has applied for the budget committee.

MOTION: Dayton Mays moved to approve Mitch Moore as a budget committee member, Bob Stolberg seconded the motion.

Voting: Dayton Mays – yes; Bob Stolberg – yes; Keith Fowler – absent; Susan Elworth – yes; Tina French – absent; Motion passed unanimously.

Further Discussion: Discussion of budget calendar and number of votes needed to recommend budget to board. Boone reported that he is attending budget training and he will find out answers to questions posed.

8. Staff Report

District Projects & Operations

Devil Lake Aquatic Vegetation Management & Water Quality

- Aerator control panel is being worked on by Green Light Electric. Waiting on parts and cost breakdown.
- B. Hagmaier suggested utilizing the portable aerator near D-River to help move sediment through the channel. We would need a new power source in that area if this is something to pursue, as well as a special use permit from DSL.

Discussion: Discussion of what needs to be done and use of portable aerator. Discussion of power source and special use permit. Bob talked about past use near Indian Shores, and the need to move the aerator and use of 220 volt. Discussion of depth needed for the aerator. Keith voiced his support of this idea, since sediment needs to be moved around and Susan suggested continued use after dredging, as maintenance. Discussion took place about possible source of power. Discussion took place about current owner of former motel. Boone said that he has meeting next week with Campbell Environmental and new engineer and he will bring ownership of the property up with Eric at that time. Susan encouraged Boone to continue trying to find contact information for property owner. Bob asked for steps needed for dredging permit so that the board can see a plan of action.

Blue Heron Landing/Marina

- Brownfields assessment at BHL
 - Met with assessor on January 8.
 - 300-gallon storage tank decommissioned in 1990's – seeking additional info from DEQ/NLFR. May require soil and ground water sampling.
- BHL sale update.

Discussion: Boone received 260-page report this afternoon and will forward it to board members. Boone talked about some highlights of the report. This project is qualified for grant funds for phase 2, and Boone recommends moving forward since this could help speed up sale of the property. Discussion of some data gap. Phase 2 will include soil samples.

Dennis still not in attendance. Boone reported that no offers have been submitted at this time. There has been one property sold on the lake, at Indian Shores. Blue Heron Landing property was listed for sale end of December. One person looked at property, nothing reported from Dennis.

Devils Lake Flood Protection & Dredging Project

- LEI Engineering progress:
 - Surveying for control & topography Jan. 15 - DONE
 - Cross section surveying Jan. 20-21 -DONE
 - Base drafting completed early February
 - Meeting with LEI/Campbell mid-February
 - Tentative conceptual plan by end of February

Discussion: Boone reported that the plan is expected by end of February. Board members expressed concerns about timing due to agency approval. Bob volunteered to meet next week with Boone to assist him with the process.

Budget/Grants/Fundraising

- New budget season
 - 4 positions open for budget committee. One application.
 - Local Budget Law Training – Feb. 18

Discussion: Three budget committee positions are open at this time. Boone talked about a training next week in Albany.

Operations

- NEW website is LIVE!
- Attended SDAO annual conference in Bend, Feb 6-8.
- Lincoln City Parks & Rec is updating the lifejacket kiosk at Regatta Park w/assistance from OSMB. Additionally, LCPR will provide training on lifejacket inspections annually.
- Presenting Speaker at Rotary – Feb. 19
- First stocking of Trout – week of March 10 & 24
- Board Elections May 20, 2025

Discussion: Boone said that things are a little clearer on the website, and he demonstrated what the website looks like at this time. Jay Roelof talked about graphs on the website and accuracy of lake level measurements. Boone said that measurement of lake level is taken at Blue Heron docks and at impoundment structure. Discussion of location of sensors. Boone said he will check with company about best location. Randy Weldon said he has a sensor on his dock. Keith talked about lake level changes at Blue Heron Landing vs. closer to outlet. Discussion took place about reasons for fluctuation of lake level. Suggestion of Regatta Park as location and the need to closely monitor the equipment.

Boone talked about SDAO conference and public meetings requirements. He has made changes to agenda to comply with current law. Susan asked about the AG manual, and Boone said he has it and uses it.

Boone reported that Lincoln City Parks & Rec is looking for a grant for kiosk upgrade with life jackets and updated signage from Oregon State Marine Board. Randy Weldon talked about the bioswale at Regatta Park and signage.

Boone will present at the Rotary meeting next week and talked about what he expects to present.

Boone reported that stocking trout in the lake will take place on March 20 and 24. Possible free fishing weekend may be scheduled.

Boone reminded everyone that four board seats will be on the ballot in May. Candidates must file through the county clerk's office, There is a \$10 fee to file.

Keith suggested posting Boone's community appearances on the website calendar as events, in order to educate the public and also posting announcements on the website banner.

A member of the public asked about Road's End being part of the district.

9. Public Comment

Jay Roelof thanked board members and Boone for improvement to the website and how user friendly it is now. Further discussion took place about improvements to the website.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm

Next Meeting: March 13, 2025 – 6:00 pm

Submitted by Susan Wahlke