LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

7:00 P.M., August 26, 2020 Wayzata City Hall

Due to COVID-19 Guidelines, pursuant to a statement issued by the presiding officer (Board Chair) under Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.021, the meeting was conducted remotely through electronic means using Zoom. The LMCD's usual meeting room was not open or available to the public or the Directors.

WORK SESSION

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Gregg Thomas, Tonka Bay; Rich Anderson, Orono; Ann Hoelscher, Victoria; Bill Cook, Greenwood; Ben Brandt, Mound; Michael Kirkwood, Minnetrista; Dennis Klohs, Minnetonka Beach; Mark Kroll, Excelsior; Denny Newell, Woodland; Nicole Stone, Minnetonka; Jake Walesch, Deephaven; and, Deborah Zorn, Shorewood. Also present: Troy Gilchrist, LMCD Legal Counsel; Vickie Schleuning, Executive Director; and Matt Cook, Environmental Administrative Technician.

Members Absent: Gary Hughes, Spring Park.

Persons in Audience:

Albert Aardvark, Eric Evenson, Michael Harter, Gabriel Jabbour, Daniel Lips, and Lt. Shane Magnuson.

1. Strategic Plan 2019-2020 Update

Zorn provided background information on the Strategic Plan along with the items that are reviewed annually. She stated that she would like input from the Board related to the prioritized initiatives and discussion related to using a time in motion study to build out the operational calendar.

Newell commented that it seems some of the LMCD applications and things such as this Plan seem over complicated. He stated that it would seem that this is an agency that puts together spreadsheets and checking boxes where he would be more interested in process.

Anderson commended those that worked on this Plan as it is very impressive. He stated that there have been numerous discussions on how busy staff is and asked if the time in motion study would identify the hours needed. He stated that the time in motion study would be essential to assist with planning for the entire year. He believed that there should be additional review of the capital equipment, noting that he would recommend selling the harvesting equipment.

Thomas stated that he could see how this could be confusing for new members. He stated that in 2015, the Board realized that the organization did not have a current Strategic Plan and the group retained a consultant to assist in that process.

Walesch thanked everyone that worked on updating this document. He stated that he supports the time in motion study as it would help the Board to know where staff is spending their time and to identify

efficiencies, priorities, and whether additional staff is needed. He stated that the operational calendar is helpful as it identifies how the plan will be implemented. He stated that for the most part, he agrees with the recommended initiatives but noted that he would place conditions on some of those items such as the AIS Master Plan. He recognized that other things may come up, noting that the document will never capture everything that could come forward. He believed that the document captures things well.

Kirkwood complimented those that worked on the document. He stated that he agrees with the initiatives and finds the operational calendar helpful. He also agreed that it would be essential to complete the time in motion study as that is a chance to learn where time is being spent and if that is the direction everyone supports.

Anderson commented that it would seem that some of the highlighted initiatives have already been completed.

Zorn confirmed that some of the highlighted items do have progress that has already been made and are still being worked on. She explained that the highlighted initiatives will have work reflected in the next quarterly update. She explained that some of the items will roll off as the work is completed and that will be reflected in the dashboard.

Anderson stated that any of the Board members could select an initiative that they have applicable knowledge and provide assistance.

Baasen stated that he supports the recommendations of the committee. He stated that the operational calendar is fantastic and the work that was done to highlight the key points and objectives was great. He asked if the committee would develop/complete an annual scorecard to review the work that was done for the year on the plan.

Zorn stated that at the end of the year a review could be done reviewing the fourth quarter dashboard against the condensed Strategic Plan.

Thomas stated that he supports the highlighted initiatives, as long as the non-highlighted items are not ignored. He stated that the operational calendar is good. He asked if the time in motion staff would be doable from the perspective of staff time it would require.

Zorn explained how the operational calendar was developed with Schleuning. She noted that it is a draft format with estimates on time. She explained that time in motion studies are completed in a variety of scales, noting that the critical part would be to develop the categories that would be tracked and how that would be done. She stated that the next few weeks would be spent crafting the document to determine how activities are coded to ensure that everyone is documenting time in the same way and meaningful data is provided. She stated that she would help to create the categories and develop the outline. She noted that she would assist so that it does not fall onto staff to create the document.

Schleuning stated that staff has spent time developing the operational calendar and thanked them for

their contributions. She provided examples of efficiencies that have been identified by using that process and believed it could continue to be used in that type of review.

Anderson stated that staff time could easily be tracked through an excel spreadsheet that could later be tabulated.

Thomas agreed that the data would be helpful noting that he simply wanted to ensure that it would not be cumbersome for staff.

Zorn noted that the Board will review the time in motion categories before they ask staff to begin tracking.

2. Board of Directors' Guide – Conflict of Interest Topic

Gilchrist explained that when someone holds public office it is considered a "public trust" and explained why a conflict of interest would matter and other prohibitions that exist, such as accepting gifts. He believed that it is critical for the Board to look at this issue going forward and not in looking back at the past. He explained the ramifications that can occur if there is a conflict of interest on a vote, such as voiding a contract or a due process challenge that could invalidate a vote, even if it was unanimous. He explained that the clearest definition of a conflict of interest would be the prohibition of voting when there is a conflict based both on a statutory prohibition and on case law. He also provided examples of common law conflicts of interest. He explained how some conflicts can be difficult to decide as courts have intentionally stopped short of creating hard and fast rules and instead developed the criteria and review how those apply to the situation. He reviewed examples of conflict of interest decisions made by the courts. He stated that a member with a potential conflict of interest needs to take the initiative to disclose it to the LMCD attorney early in the process and not wait until the meeting. He explained that he needs time in order to determine how those criteria would be applied for each situation. He stated that a member should not abstain to avoid making a difficult decision. He also explained how the decision to abstain because of a conflict should be announced at a meeting. He explained what should occur if there is a disagreement over whether a conflict exists for a member on the Board. He provided a draft bylaw amendment and asked that the Board review that language. He asked the Board to think about this information and suggested that this topic come back to a future work session to further discuss the topic and the draft bylaw amendment.

Thomas agreed that the Board should digest this information and the topic should come back to a future work session agenda.

The work session was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

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FORMAL MEETING

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Members present: Gregg Thomas, Tonka Bay; Rich Anderson, Orono; Ann Hoelscher, Victoria; Bill Cook, Greenwood; Dan Baasen, Wayzata; Ben Brandt, Mound; Michael Kirkwood, Minnetrista; Dennis Klohs, Minnetonka Beach; Mark Kroll, Excelsior; Denny Newell, Woodland; Nicole Stone, Minnetonka; Jake Walesch, Deephaven; and, Deborah Zorn, Shorewood. Also present: Troy Gilchrist, LMCD Legal Counsel; Vickie Schleuning, Executive Director; and, Matt Cook, Environmental Administrative Technician.

Members absent: Gary Hughes, Spring Park.

Persons in Audience:

Chuck Becker, Eric Evenson, Michael Harter, Gabriel Jabbour, Daniel Lips, Lt. Shane Magnuson, and Jeff Marr.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Kroll moved, Walesch seconded to approve the agenda as submitted.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye Brandt aye Cook aye Hoelscher aye Kirkwood aye Klohs aye Kroll aye Newell aye Stone aye Thomas aye Walesch aye Zorn aye

5. CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chair announcements.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- 08/12/2020 LMCD Regular Board Meeting

MOTION: Kroll moved, Baasen seconded to approve the 08/12/2020 LMCD Regular Board Meeting

minutes as submitted.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye Brandt aye Cook aye Hoelscher aye Kirkwood aye Klohs aye Kroll aye Newell aye Stone aye Thomas aye Walesch aye Zorn aye

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Anderson removed Item 7B "July Financial Summary" from the consent agenda.

Gilchrist confirmed that action would require a motion and second.

MOTION: Anderson moved, Kroll seconded to remove Item 7B "July Financial Summary" from the Consent

Agenda for further discussion.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye

Brandt abstain/lost connection

Cook aye Hoelscher aye Kirkwood aye Klohs aye

Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

MOTION: Baasen moved, Kirkwood seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended, making the change

noted by Anderson above. Motion carried unanimously. Items so approved included: **7A)** Audit of

Vouchers (08/16/2020 – 08/31/2020).

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

Thomas noted that the July Financial Statement would now appear under Other Business.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS- Persons in attendance, subjects not on the agenda (limited to 5 minutes)

There were no public comments.

9. PRESENTATIONS

A) Brief Update on 2020 UMN Research on Boat Generated Wake and Prop Wash Produced by Recreational Watercraft - Jeffrey Marr, MS PE, Associate Director of Engineering and Facilities, St. Anthony Laboratory, University of Minnesota

Jeffrey Marr, University of Minnesota, provided background information on himself and the St. Anthony Falls Laboratory. He provided background information on shoreline and wave interaction, wind waves as well as boat wakes and propeller wash. He provided details on the research perspective of the critical "linkages" between input forces (wind/boats) and responses within the lake; such as shorelines/bank erosion, aquatic

vegetation, impacts on fish and aquatic life, waterfowl – nesting and habitat, water quality/turbidity, nutrient release/nutrient cycles, and temperature distribution. He noted the research management perspective of how to best protect/preserve the resource and manage/promote usage. He stated that the motivation of this project is the increasing concern around the impact of large recreational watercraft on Minnesota lakes. He explained that there is a lack of data on how recreational watercraft interacts with the lake bottoms, shorelines and water column, vegetation, sediment, animals, and other users. He stated that the objective is to carry out a research study in 2020 to characterize the wave and prop wash produced by large typical recreational watercraft, to characterize wave height, wave energy and turbulence and then to publish the data and findings. He stated that the first study would focus on the wakes and waves created by boats and provided details on how that would be done. He stated that the second study would focus on propeller wash and provided details on how that would be done. He stated that future research questions would focus on vegetation and soil impacts, noting that portion is not currently funded. He stated that they are working on the design and plan to begin field work in September with preliminary results in the first quarter of 2021. He stated that they are still raising funds through crowdfunding and encouraged the Board members, LMCD, and any other residents to contribute funds. He stated that they hope to provide robust, unbiased data that will help to keep the lakes healthy.

Hoelscher stated that this will be very interesting work, noting that she is excited to see the results. She asked where the research would be done and if there is anything the LMCD can do to assist, outside of funding.

Marr commented that the sites will be within the Twin Cities but have not yet been chosen. He reviewed some of the factors being considered for site selection. He stated that further into the process it will be important for his group to understand the challenges and issues the LMCD deals with and the needs for additional research.

Thomas noted that the Board has heard a number of comments from both sides of the issue related to wake boats, those in favor and those against. He noted that the boats are getting bigger as are the sound systems, which cause additional complaints.

Marr stated that the best strength of the University is to be independent researchers. He stated that they will deploy their instruments with professionalism in order to gather a robust amount of data. He recognized that the LMCD has a tougher job in finding balance between the two groups.

Newell commented that waves are biphasic in that there is as much going on under the water as there is above the water. He referenced a study that was done in 2015 often referenced by the boating industry. He asked if it would be appropriate to say wake boats should be in deeper water.

Marr stated that he sees the point that Newell is making, to promote being sensitive to the impacts in shallow settings but did not want to comment on that item at this time.

Newell commented that a better wave will be generated for the wake boats in deeper water and that could also help to protect the shores and other users of the lake.

Kirkwood asked where the results would be published and the timing.

Marr stated that their target is to have preliminary work in the first quarter of 2021 but noted that additional analysis will be needed. He was unsure where that would be published.

Anderson stated that if boats are needed, he or Gabriel Jabbour could offer different types of boats. He noted that Lake Minnetonka would most likely be quiet next month.

Marr stated that he appreciates the offer.

Gabriel Jabbour stated that he is grateful for Mr. Marr and a few people watching the meeting who worked hard to make sure this project was funded. He stated that he is proud of the hydro dam, noting that his business worked on that project. He stated that he believes that the group is going to go back and ask LCCMR for funding. He stated that the LMCD could carry weight in supporting and lobbying for that request. He suggested that the LMCD think about supporting this project in that manner.

Thomas noted that Marr should contact Schleuning in order to request a letter of support from the LMCD and the Board could then consider that request.

Marr stated that they have had tremendous help from different groups around the state that have spread the word on this funding campaign. He stated that it has been amazing on how the word has spread and how this research has been able to gain funding.

Thomas asked if one result of the study would identify a distance from shore that boats should be operating.

Marr stated that he would hope that could be done but noted that there would be caveats because they can only test three types of boats this year. He stated that it would be difficult to provide a specific distance from shore because depth would be a factor.

Thomas thanked Marr for the presentation tonight and for the work that his group will be doing.

10. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

A) July Financial Statement

Anderson referenced the January through July statement, noting the EWM harvesting numbers. He stated that \$50,000 was budgeted for AIS in 2020. He reviewed some of the equipment and maintenance costs and other costs shown under that program showing a budgeted amount of \$88,010, which is higher than the budgeted

amount. He asked for an explanation of why that is higher than the agreed upon amount of \$50,000.

Cook agreed that it appears the numbers showing on the form for the budgeted amount are not correct. He confirmed that AIS management/harvesting equipment and repair provided \$50,000 for 2020 and noted that information was not properly inputted into the budget.

Schleuning stated that she believed the budget numbers are correct, there hasn't been a budget amendment, but she would look into it further.

Thomas suggested that the statement not be adopted tonight, and instead additional time be provided for staff to review the documents. He noted that the expenditures January through July are identified as zero.

Cook complimented Anderson for catching that on the document.

12. OLD BUSINESS

A) Consideration of Proposed Code Amendment for De-Icing Operations

Walesch noted that the Board has discussed this in depth and would like to simply take action.

MOTION: Anderson moved, Walesch seconded to approve the code amendment regarding deicing regulations on Lake Minnetonka.

Further discussion: Gilchrist complimented the work group for the feedback they provided. He highlighted the changes that have occurred from the version reviewed at the work session and the version presented tonight.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

MOTION: Anderson moved, Thomas seconded to adopt the resolution approving summary language of the

ordinance for publication.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

Thomas thanked the work group and staff for their work on this topic.

B) Review of 2020 AIS Budget

Anderson stated that his intention in including this on the agenda was to try to get through this and move something forward. He noted that there is \$50,000 unspent in the 2020 budget for AIS, while LMA, he and Jabbour have contributed funds to the Flowering Rush Study.

Newell thanked Anderson for bringing this up, noting that this has been something that has concerned him since he began on the Board. He stated that he has pushed to see where these funds go and how they will be spent, and a delineation of the funds were not provided until late July. He stated that one reason there is contention with other lake partners is because he thinks the LMCD has a history of going it alone rather than working with other entities on the lake. He noted that studies have continued to show promise in chemical use but the LMCD continued instead to buy harvesters. He stated that the LMCD needs to slow down and find another route, noting that going it alone has not worked well and has only created tension with the other lake partners. He stated that there should be a discussion to determine how the LMCD can become a value-added player on the lake.

Thomas stated that the direction from previous board discussion was to find a facilitator to hold a TAG meeting.

Cook stated that the direction he received was to find a facilitator for the TAG meeting, which is on the agenda tonight and following that meeting the Board can further discuss what it wants to do with the funding from 2020 and the funding for 2021. He stated that it appears that was the consensus of Newell's comments too, to gather input from the other partners on the lake to determine if/what the role of the LMCD would be.

Kirkwood stated that he agrees that a facilitator will be important as the LMCD continues to be criticized for the lack of cooperation/communication with the other lake partners. He stated that he believes it will be important to reestablish those relationships, noting that his preference would be to meet individually with those partners to build those relationships and then hold the larger TAG meeting to discuss what would be done collaboratively and whether the LMCD would/could have a role. He stated that he recommended a facilitator as well and was not one of the options presented in the staff report. He asked if the Board would have the opportunity to review the other facilitators.

Thomas noted that could be addressed when they get to that agenda item.

Anderson referenced the RFP and asked why that has not yet been discussed. He asked what would be done with the \$50,000 budgeted for 2020 if that is not spent. He referenced the available reserve balances, noting that they exceed the recommended percentages and the LMCD is overfunded. He stated he believed that something is askew in accounting with the amount of funds in the LMCD reserves and the continued requests to levy the member cities. He stated that funds continue to be collected from the member cities when the LMCD has 106 percent reserve fund balance over the expenditures.

Thomas stated that the RFP was for a Lake Specialist and the direction of the Board was not to proceed with that RFP and instead go the path of holding that TAG meeting.

Anderson commented that this appears to be a mismanagement of funds.

Hoelscher stated that she takes offense at the comments related to any mismanagement of funds. She stated that in all her time on the Board they have attempted to be open in what they are doing and listen to all the Board members and there is no hiding of anything. She stated that Cook has worked very hard as the Treasurer and behind the AIS Master Plan. She stated that although they talked about pursuing the Lake Specialist in 2020 and budgeted funds for that, they are trying to move slowly and chose the path of holding the TAG meeting.

Kroll stated that he would defer his time for comments to Anderson.

Brandt stated that he would support spending more funds to have a positive impact on the lake.

Baasen thanked everyone for their comments. He stated that the Board decided to table the harvesting program but placed funds in the budget to contract for harvesting should it be necessary for navigation in areas of the lake. He stated that the Board also developed the AIS Master Plan. He commented that most cities do not like a rollercoaster levy and prefer for that contribution to be as stable as possible. He stated that there is no evidence of mismanagement of funds or misappropriation of funds. He stated that following the TAG meeting there can be additional discussion as to the allocation of funds.

Walesch stated that part of Anderson's comments was related to reserves. He stated that at some point there should be a work session discussion to determine an appropriate level of reserve funds and whether

the balances are becoming too high. He stated that in regard to the funds budgeted for AIS for 2020 and 2021, he supports that decisions not be made on those funds until the TAG meeting can be held and the Board discusses the route it wants to go with AIS. He stated that the \$50,000 for 2020 was already collected and will remain until the AIS discussions can occur. He stated that \$80,000 has been budgeted for 2021. He stated that once the TAG meeting is held and the Board discusses and comes to an agreement, there can be a plan for how those funds can be allocated. He stated that while cities do not want a rollercoaster levy, most cities would be happier to pay a lesser amount. He stated that there have been comments related to selling the harvesting equipment and noted that he would support selling that equipment. He stated that perhaps those funds could be used for AIS purposes or lowering the city levies. He stated that the budget should be reviewed for AIS at the appropriate time to determine the best use for the 2020 and 2021 funds.

Klohs stated that for a long time the LMCD has spent a lot of money on harvesting. The Board chose to freeze that money, reallocating it towards the AIS Master Plan. That study has been completed and a Lake Specialist was recommended. He noted that there was correspondence after that point related to the position and study and therefore the Lake Specialist did not move forward. He stated that the 2020 funds are available because the process was frozen to allow the additional TAG meeting. He stated that nothing has gone wrong, funds have not been reappropriated and no one has been misled. He stated that the LMCD is in the transition period between harvesting and determining what it will do.

Stone stated that most of the comments that she was going to make have already been made by others. She stated that the first meeting she attended was when the Board decided to stop harvesting. She echoed the comments that this is a transition period. She understood the perspective of Anderson as other individuals, including Anderson, are putting funds into AIS activities. She stated that she is unsure that the Board is ready to say how the AIS funds should be spent. She agreed that there should be a work session discussion related to the reserve funds and the appropriate balances for those funds.

Kirkwood appreciated the comments of Klohs. He echoed the comments made thus far. He stated that the TAG meeting seems like the appropriate next step to determine how the LMCD can best work with the other partners on the lake.

Thomas stated that his memory was that the 30 to 50 percent recommendation related to reserves only applies to the general and AIS accounts and not the equipment and Save the Lake accounts.

Cook confirmed that to be true. He stated that in past conversations with the Board he has indicated that he is uncomfortable with the level of reserves that the LMCD is maintaining in the AIS and general fund accounts. He stated that he has been looking into it attempting to determine how the budget is balanced each year but there is still an increase in the reserves. He stated that he would welcome a work session discussion related to the reserve accounts and related balances. He believed that the Board should talk about that on an annual basis.

Schleuning confirmed that she would add the topic to a future work session agenda.

Cook agreed that the LMCD is in a transition phase and did not feel an obligation to spend the funds just

because they are there. He stated that the obligation is to spend the \$50,000 on something valuable for the lake.

Anderson commented that he is unsure why Goff would not be used to facilitate the TAG meeting, as funds were budgeted in 2019 and 2020 for that consulting service.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A) Authorization to Retain Facilitator for AIS Strategy Meetings

Cook stated that the direction of the Board was to hold a facilitated TAG meeting and therefore he worked with staff to find potential facilitators for the meeting. He stated that he is recommending Sara Noah to facilitate the meeting because she knows the lake, the players on the lake, has experience with most watersheds in the state, and has worked with the LMCD in the past related to a personnel issue.

MOTION: Cook moved, Klohs seconded to retain facilitation services from Sara Noah, Noah and Associates, Inc. and to authorize the Executive Director and legal counsel to finalize a professional services agreement with the facilitator in the amount of no more than \$3,200 and to authorize the Chair and Executive Director to execute the agreement.

Further discussion: Anderson asked if Goff could facilitate the meeting, noting that the LMCD has already contracted for services with that consultant.

Hoelscher commented that she is not aware if Goff could do that as they have helped the LMCD with public relations and media training. She stated that the LMCD does not have Goff under contract and therefore would have to pay them out of the budget, therefore she would support the recommendation of Cook.

Thomas stated that if Goff is retained to assist with communications and legislative affairs, they would not be considered an impartial facilitator for the TAG meeting.

Kirkwood agreed that the intent was to find someone that had deep skill in dealing with a contentious topic and therefore would support the recommendation. He looked forward to having a guided discussion that could help to work through some of the frustrations and bring the LMCD together with some of the players on the lake.

Walesch asked what the facilitator will do and who she will speak to for stakeholders, government entities and Board members.

Cook explained that one of the tasks will be to organize the TAG meeting which will involve reaching out to a number of the stakeholders and Board members to understand what the issues are. He stated that she will speak with any of the stakeholders/Board members that would be willing to talk to her.

Walesch asked to amend the motion to raise the budget in order to support additional costs that may arise,

noting that he would prefer that the item not return to the Board. He asked that the budget be raised to \$7,500, noting that if the additional funds are not needed, they would not need to be spent.

MOTION: Walesch moved, Kroll seconded to amend the motion to increase the amount from \$3,200 to

\$7,500.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye Brandt aye Cook aye Hoelscher aye Kirkwood aye Klohs aye Kroll aye Newell aye Stone aye **Thomas** aye Walesch ave

Zorn absent/lost connection

Gilchrist noted that the vote would now need to be taken on the motion itself as that was simply a motion to amend the motion.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye Brandt aye Cook aye Hoelscher aye Kirkwood aye Klohs aye Kroll aye Newell aye Stone aye Thomas aye Walesch aye

Zorn absent/lost connection

Motion carried unanimously.

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14. TREASURER REPORT

No report.

15. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Schleuning provided the following information:

- Starry Trek was held on Saturday, August 15th. She appreciated all the volunteers who looked at a
 couple of launches at Lake Minnetonka, along with other nearby lakes. They did not find starry
 stonewort at the locations they sampled. She thanked Directors Thomas and Kirkwood for
 participating as well.
- A low dose copper study webinar recording will be available online including the St. Albans Bay study.
- Boat safety information can be found on the LMCD website noting the recent boat fire in Smith Bay.

16. STANDING LMCD COMMITTEE/WORKGROUP

Aquatic Invasive Species Taskforce: No report.

Budget Workgroup: No report.

<u>Communications and Legislative Relations</u>: Hoelscher stated that there is a meeting scheduled tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. and invited members of the Board to participate.

<u>Deicing and Permanent Dock Workgroup</u>: Anderson stated that he would be happy to move forward on permanent docks but was told by staff that would not be necessary.

Schleuning stated that most of the concerns have been addressed with the Board at a previous meeting, but noted that additional discussion can occur if the board prefers.

Save the Lake Committee: No report.

Strategic Plan Subcommittee: No report.

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Walesch moved, Cook seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye Baasen aye Brandt aye Gregg Thomas, Chair

Cook	aye		
Hoelscher	aye		
Kirkwood	aye		
Klohs	aye		
Kroll	aye		
Newell	aye		
Stone	aye		
Thomas	aye		
Walesch	aye		
Zorn	absent/lost connection		

Dan Baasen, Secretary