



LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

AGENDA WORK SESSION AND FORMAL MEETING LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81370744591?pwd=MHcrK0ZGSU0vNFRiN2pWNmd2TVNDQT09>

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
+1 929 436 2866 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 813 7074 4591

Password: 354944

Pursuant to a statement issued by the presiding officer under Minnesota Statutes, section 13D.021, the meeting will be conducted remotely using electronic means. The LMCD's usual meeting room will not be open to the public or the Directors. The LMCD will be using Zoom platform to conduct the meeting remotely. More details about how to use Zoom is available on the website at www.lmcd.org.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Those desiring to participate in the meeting should complete the online form at least two hours prior to the meeting. If you are invited to speak at the Public Comments Section or Agenda Item: 1)) Indicate your desire to be heard by "raising hand" through Zoom, 2) Direct comments to Chair Gregg Thomas, 3) Be concise and courteous. The Chair may choose to reorder the agenda for a specific agenda item if it would benefit the needs of those in attendance. People who are disruptive will be expelled from the meeting. If you have questions, please email the Executive Director at vschleuning@lmcd.org.

WORK SESSION AGENDA

6:00 p.m.

The purpose of the Work Session is to allow staff to seek input from the Board and for the Board to discuss matters in greater detail than generally available at the formal Board Session. The Board may give staff direction or express a preference, but does not formally vote on matters during Work Sessions. While all meetings of the Board are open to the public, Work Session discussions are generally limited to the Board, staff, and designated representatives. Work Sessions are not videotaped. The work session may be continued after the formal meeting, time permitting.

1. Policy Discussion Grants and Funding
2. High Water Declaration Review Update

FORMAL MEETING AGENDA
7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the Formal Session is to allow the Board to conduct public hearings and to consider and take formal action on matters coming before the LMCD.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 5. CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS**, Chair Gregg Thomas
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (05/13/2020) LMCD Regular Board Meetings
- 7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A) Audit of Vouchers (05/16/2020 – 05/31/2020)
 - B) April Financial Summary
- 8. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Persons in attendance for subjects not on the agenda (limited to 5 minutes).** *Audience members may provide information to the Board. Please direct all comments to the Board Chair. The Board generally will not engage in public discussion, respond to or correct statements from the public, or act on items not on the agenda. The Board may ask for clarifications or direct staff to report back on items at future meetings.*
- 9. PUBLIC HEARING**
- 10. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 11. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A) 2021 Draft Budget City Letter
 - B) Libbs Lake Association Response to Request for Funding
- 12. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A) 2020 Appointment(s) for Official Newspaper
- 13. TREASURER REPORT**
- 14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE**
- 15. STANDING LMCD COMMITTEE / WORKGROUP UPDATE**
 - Aquatic Invasive Species Taskforce
 - Budget Workgroup
 - Communications & Legislative Relations

- Deicing and Permanent Dock Workgroup
- Save the Lake Committee- Draft Save the Lake Contribution Letter
- Strategic Plan Subcommittee

16. ADJOURNMENT

Future Items – Tentative

- Lake Use Vision and Policy Discussion Continuing Series
 - Slow and No Wake Regulations
 - Watercraft Density
 - Lake Sales and Services
 - Recodification Clarifications

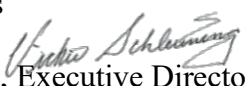


LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

DATE: May 27, 2020

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Vickie Schleuning,  Executive Director

SUBJECT: Grants and Funding Policies

BACKGROUND

At the May 13, 2020 LMCD Board meeting, the LMCD Board decided to have a discussion regarding policy about the use of Save the Lake funding and activities. Attached are policies that were in place previously for Save the Lake program for review.

ATTACHMENTS

- Save The Lake Mission Statement, Operating Policy, and Program Funding Criteria
- LMCD Resolution 118 (STL Reserve Fund Policy)



SAVE THE LAKE

Save the Lake Program Information

Mission Statement and Operating Policy

Mission Statement

Save the Lake is a non-profit fund investing in programs which benefit the environmental and recreational needs of Lake Minnetonka.

Operating Policy

Lake Minnetonka provides recreational experiences and aesthetic values to public water surface users, the general public and lakeshore owners. The Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD), its fourteen member cities surrounding the lake, Hennepin County, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, and Three Rivers Park District are some of the governmental agencies that share major management roles in protecting the lake's environmental quality and user experiences on the lake.

Public funding provides the basis for implementing programs that preserve or improve upon the environmental quality and user experience. At times, however, supplemental programs are needed to enhance or speed up the public program initiatives. The LMCD normal activities are funded through a tax levy to the 14 cities that border Lake Minnetonka, license and permit revenue, court fines, and limited grant funding. In order to achieve objectives not covered by these funding sources, the LMCD has created a Fund called Save the Lake to address the Lake's supplemental needs of public safety, environmental, and public service/education.

The money in the Save the Lake Fund comes from private donations. The LMCD Board of Directors will manage the Save the Lake Fund to achieve its objectives and will do so in accordance with LMCD Resolution 118. LMCD Resolution 118, which establishes a policy on a reserve balance for the Save the Lake Fund, identifies a formula for the maximum amount of Save the Lake Funds available each year based on the reserve balance as of December 31st from each year. It also states that an announcement of funds available will be made by April 15th for the following calendar year.

Program Funding Criteria

When a request for Save the Lake funds is received, the LMCD takes into consideration the following:

- Does the request represent major environmental preservation or an improvement on an environmental priority?
- Does the request sustain or improve a major recreational resource?

- Will the investment of funds provide a long-term benefit?
- Does the request provide public benefit that spans a broad range of lake users in terms of age, economics, use, and interest?
- Does the request attract matching public or private funds to produce the program?
- Does the request appeal to contributors of Save the Lake who recognize and likely support the proposed program, and would likely continue to donate to Save the Lake?
- Does the request meet a major lake educational need not being met by other public or private initiatives?

The following criteria are established to guide the Save the Lake Advisory Committee and LMCD Board of Directors in evaluating and selecting programs for funding. Proposed projects are weighted by meeting one or more of the following program criteria:

PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Improves public safety on the lake.
2. Benefits structures in the lake.
3. Lessens conflicts among lake surface users.
4. Enhances safe boat operation.
5. Assures greater personal safety.

ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Involves research or program implementation that studies or protects the lake environment.
2. Protects the lake from infestation of exotic aquatic plants or animals.
3. Prevents the spread of exotic aquatic plants or animals from the lake.
4. Allows or enhances enjoyment and use of the lake while preserving the lake from environmental degradation.

PUBLIC SERVICE/EDUCATION

1. Benefits the general public use of Lake Minnetonka.
2. Make Lake Minnetonka more accessible to persons unable, or choosing not to, access the lake by their own boat.
3. Encourages public participation in lake clean-up.
4. Promotes courteous boat operation.
5. Recognizes achievements in community service by individuals or groups that benefit Lake Minnetonka.
6. Advances the historical significance of Lake Minnetonka.

ATTACHMENT

LMCD RESOLUTION 118

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A POLICY ON A RESERVE BALANCE FOR THE SAVE THE LAKE FUND

WHEREAS, the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD) normal activities are publicly funded through a tax levy to the 14 member cities that abut Lake Minnetonka, license and permit revenue, court fines, and limited grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the LMCD annually solicits private funds to supplement these funding sources for special public safety, environmental, and public service/educational projects; and

WHEREAS, the disbursement of these funds is managed by the LMCD Board of Directors; and

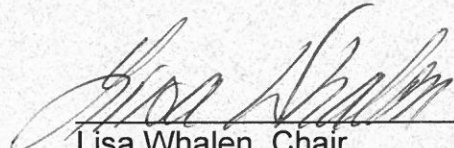
WHEREAS, a Save the Lake Advisory Committee, represented by LMCD Board members and persons appointed by the LMCD Board of Directors, makes recommendations to the LMCD Board for fundraising and disbursement programs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the LMCD Board of Directors that the maximum amount of Save the Lake Funds available for projects shall be up to 25 percent of the reserve fund balance as of December 31st.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LMCD will announce the availability of these funds by April 15th for the following calendar year.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Save the Lake Advisory Committee and LMCD Board of Directors will review requests for Save the Lake Funds utilizing existing Save the Lake Program Funding Criteria.

Adopted by the LMCD Board this 9th day of July, 2008.



Lisa Whalen, Chair

ATTEST:



Andrew McDermott III, Secretary



PROJECT OUTLINE

HIGH WATER DECLARATION REVIEW (2020)

Draft 05/22/2020

Project Definition

Based on experiences and feedback from the high water declaration in 2019, LMCD staff and HCSO Water Patrol wanted to gain additional feedback and review processes and procedures for High Water Declaration. Regulations are in place addressing high lake water levels to protect people from injuries, property from damage, and the lake and its shoreline. Because of the impact to a variety of stakeholders, it is important to have an efficient and effective process and procedures. Many activities can be performed administratively. Other recommendations or suggestions may require Board approval and will be brought forward to the Board for final consideration.

Project Objectives

- To consider best management practices to maximize efficiency of implementation of High Water declarations.
- To review feedback and obtain additional feedback from stakeholders regarding High Water Declarations.
- To enhance communication efforts with the stakeholders and public regarding High Water Declarations, corresponding lake rules, and etiquette.
- To give the staff and Board a summary regarding any recommendations, suggestions, and/or financial implications.

Project Background

During a High Water Declaration, minimum wake areas on Lake Minnetonka are extended to 600 feet from shore throughout the lake or potentially all minimum wake throughout the lake depending on lake water level. Additionally, certain bays are made minimum wake areas in their entirety even during 600 foot declaration. Lake Minnetonka remains open for public access and use.

In 2019, High Water was declared on May 31st and remained in effect until June 12th. In accordance with LMCD Code Article 10 Chapter 1, the LMCD worked with HCSO Water Patrol to give notice to the public and enforce speed restrictions on the Lake. HCSO and others have offered feedback regarding implementation for consideration. LMCD staff received a significant amount of feedback, as well as HCSO Water Patrol.

Review

A significant amount of communication and research has been conducted regarding operations and potential improvements since the 2019 boating season and efforts of a previous workgroup.

Deliverables

Provide a detailed summary for Board consideration regarding High Water Declaration regulations, processes, procedures, etc. An update will be provided to the board for feedback and moving forward with the project.

Key Stakeholders and Communications Audiences

- Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Water Patrol
- Lakeshore owners and associations
- Lake visitors and non-resident recreationists
- Licensees such as marina owners and operators
- Lake service providers and water-related businesses.
- Municipalities and other government agencies

Project Development Steps and Time Frame

The following is a tentative process and timeline for this workgroup project. It is subject to change depending on needs.

1. Gather Existing Information – ***Ongoing since May 2019***
 - Calls to LMCD before, during, and after 2019 High Water Declaration
 - Facebook comments on High Water Declaration handout
 - LMCD staff discussion with HCSO Water Patrol Lieutenant
 - Feedback received from Listserv email (licensees, lake service providers, residents, visitors)
2. Provide Update on Activities To Date and Obtain Feedback from Board Regarding Direction—***May 27, 2020***
 - i. Review stakeholder input, staff observations, and other information
 - ii. Summarize information
 - iii. Identify if any key areas of need for policy change
 - iv. Identify if any key areas of need for procedural change based on gathered information
3. Determine When and Method to Communicate with Stakeholders – ***2020***
4. Provide update regarding any recommendations to Board for consideration. – ***2020***
 - Hold meeting to develop and select any recommendations or policy changes to address identified needs
5. Board Review and Potential Adoption of Recommendations As Applicable – ***2020***

ATTACHMENT**ARTICLE 10
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Chapter 1. High Water Declaration	<u>Page</u>
10-1.01. Findings and Purpose.....	10-1
10-1.03. High Water Declaration	10-2
10-1.05. Notifications and Actions Upon Declaration.....	10-2
10-1.07. Rules During High Water	10-2
10-1.09. Termination of Declaration.....	10-3
 Chapter 2. Low Water Declaration	
10-2.01. Declaration and Cancellation.....	10-4
10-2.03. Temporary Extension of Residential Docks	10-4
10-2.05. Temporary Extensions for All Other Docks	10-5
 Chapter 3. Deicing Equipment and Thin Ice	
10-3.01. Licensing.....	10-6
10-3.03. Eligible Structures.....	10-6
10-3.05. Licensing Exceptions	10-6
10-3.07. Hazard	10-7
10-3.09. Maintenance of Equipment.....	10-7
10-3.11. Barriers Around Thin Ice or Open Water	10-7

**CHAPTER 1
HIGH WATER DECLARATION****10-1.01. Findings and Purpose.**

Subd. 1. Findings. The Board finds the operation of watercraft at normal speeds on the Lake during periods of high water as declared under this Section, has serious adverse effects on the shoreline of the Lake and structures existing on the shoreline. Furthermore, the restriction of watercraft wakes during periods of high water is essential to the conservation of the shoreline of the Lake and the overall quality of the Lake as a natural resource.

Subd. 2. Purpose. It is the purpose of this Chapter to provide reasonable regulation of watercraft wakes during periods of high water, to establish a mechanism for enforcing those limits, and to inform Lake users of the existence and need for the regulations. Once a high water declaration is made, a watercraft speed limit and minimum wake requirement is in place and is enforceable in certain areas of the Lake as provided in Section 10-1.07.

10-1.03. High Water Declaration.

Subd. 1. Authority. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to determine from authoritative sources the Executive Director deems reliable the water level of the Lake from time to time. The Executive Director has the authority to make a high water declaration as provided in this Section.

Subd. 2. Discretionary Declaration. The Executive Director may make a high water declaration when the Lake elevation has been at or above elevation 930.0 NGVD for a period of five consecutive days; provided, readings show an elevation of 930.0 NGVD or more on the first day and the fifth day (or next day thereafter when readings are available), at least one such reading between the first and last reading, and no intervening readings below 930.0 NGVD.

Subd. 3. Mandated Declaration. The Executive Director shall make a high water declaration when the Lake elevation either:

- (a) Has been at or above elevation 930.0 NGVD for a period of eight consecutive days; provided, readings show an elevation of 930.0 NGVD or more on the first day and the eighth day (or next day thereafter when readings are available), at least two such readings between the first and last reading, and no intervening reading below 930.0 NGVD; or
- (b) The Lake elevation has reached or exceeded 930.25 NGVD.

10-1.05. Notifications and Actions Upon Declaration. Upon making a high water declaration, the Executive Director shall do each of the following:

- (a) Notify the Hennepin County Sheriff's Water Patrol that a high water declaration has been made and that the wake regulations of this section are in effect as of a specific date and time;
- (b) Notify, by any practicable means, marina operators, associations and other interested persons that a high water declaration has been made; and
- (c) Take whatever action the Executive Director deems necessary to disseminate as widely as possible the fact that a high water declaration has been made and that the wake regulations of this Chapter are in effect.

10-1.07. Rules During High Water. When a high water declaration has been made, it is unlawful for a person to operate a watercraft in violation of this Section.

Subd. 1. Exceed Minimum Wake. To operate a watercraft at a speed that results in more than a minimum wake.

Subd. 2. Speed Limit in Regulated Areas. To operate a watercraft at a speed of more than five miles per hour in any of the following areas:

- (a) All of the surface area of Emerald Lake, Libbs Bay, Seton Lake, Bay St. Louis, Black Lake, Coffee Cove, Big Island Passage, Robinson's Bay, Tanager Lake, Forest Lake, Carson's Bay, Excelsior Bay, Priest's Bay, St. Alban's Bay, Gray's Bay, Stubb's Bay, and Jennings Bay; and
- (b) The surface area of the Lake within a distance of 600 feet of the shoreline on all parts of the lake not included in paragraph (a) above.

Subd. 3. Exceptions. The prohibitions of this Section do not apply to the Sheriff or other law enforcement officers while engaged in the performance of their duties, or to seaplanes during a landing or takeoff.

10-1.09. Termination of Declaration. When the Executive Director determines from authoritative sources that the Lake level has fallen and remained below elevation 930.0 NGVD for a period of three consecutive days, the Executive Director shall take the same steps set out in Section 10-1.05 to notify such persons that the high water declaration is terminated and that the wake regulations of this Chapter are no longer in effect.

ITEM 6

LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

7:00 P.M., May 13, 2020

Wayzata City Hall

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; Gary Hughes, Spring Park; 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: None.

Persons in audience: Bret Cline; Eric Evenson; Gerry Ferrer; Gabriel Jabbour; Chris Jewett; Matt Johnson; John Lundquist; Shane Magnuson; Bret Niccum; Joleen Roy; Jill Sims; Jay Soule; and username "tonli".

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

5. CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Thomas commented that after due consideration and input he has decided that the Highwater Declaration and Slow Wake Workgroups will be disbanded. He stated that the work will not stop but that work will instead be considered and discussed by the full Board.

Kroll commented that he thought this would be an easy topic but because of the complexity and time necessary, he does believe it would be best to elevate this to a full group discussion.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 04/22/2020 LMCD Regular Board Meeting

Hoelscher noted her name is listed as Secretary and Baasen is the current Secretary.

Stone stated that she was using her daughter's computer and therefore her daughter is listed as one of the persons in the audience. M. Cook stated that he would remove that name from the list.

MOTION: Baasen moved, Stone seconded to approve the 04/22/2020 LMCD Regular Board Meeting minutes with the changes noted.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Anderson moved, Kroll seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items so approved included: **7A)** Audit of Vouchers (05/01/020 – 05/15/2020); **7B)** Resolution Accepting Save the Lake

Contributions (02/01/2020 – 04/30/2020); **7C)** March Financial Summary; and **7D)** Approval of Variance for Adjusted Dock Use Area for Dock Length, 980 Heritage Lane, Orono, MN 55391.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Jill Simms, National Marine Manufacturer's Association, stated that she provided a letter to the Board members the previous day related to access. She stated that her association is available to be a resource in terms of education and ensuring that everyone has access.

Eric Evenson, Lake Minnetonka Lake Association, provided a brief update on the LMLA bay treatment program. He stated that the pretreatment surveys are completed, and treatments should begin later this week or early next week. He stated that the treatment should be completed prior to the end of June. He stated that the LMA was fortunate to receive a grant from the DNR, but homeowners continue to fund the majority of the treatment. He stated that on the agenda tonight, the Board will consider a funding request from Libbs Lake. He noted that in the past the LMCD provided this assistance because there was not access to Libbs Lake for the harvesters and the harvesting program is on hold. Perhaps the LMCD would like to consider providing similar assistance to other bays, as the LMCD does for Libbs Lake.

Chair Thomas stated that the LMCD received a written request from Libbs Lake and was unsure how the Board would feel about additional requests as the LMCD does not have excess funds in the budget.

Cook stated that he would like this question placed on the agenda for the Board's next worksession for further discussion.

Anderson agreed that the item should come forward to a worksession discussion.

Baasen stated that he supports the request to discuss the topic in a worksession, as far as how the LMCD could engage in assisting other bays. He noted that it would need to be submitted through an application, but funding would need to come from the LMCD and not through Save the Lake. He noted that there would also need to be policy discussion on how requests could be funded and considered.

Chair Thomas asked Mr. Evenson to submit a written request that the Board could consider as a framework at the worksession.

Chair Thomas read aloud a statement submitted from Mitch Davis who was not interested in limiting the scope of allowed water activities on the lake.

He read another statement submitted by Donald McMillon echoing the comments that lake activities should not be limited.

Gabrielle Jabbour referenced the last wake group meeting. He stated that he understands and wants to be clear that the LMCD had nothing to do with Mr. Kroll's actions. He stated that he is passionate about this issue. He commented that Kroll is unfit to be on the Board and upset with the Board affirming that Kroll was on the right track. He stated that public water access is a constitutional right. He stated that people that care about the greater community donate a large amount of time and effort to assist those that bring value to the quality of life. He stated that his intention was to have the legislators understand that the lake is inclusive, even though there are rich arrogant people that believe differently. He stated that there would be a huge impact to the users of the lake if there is a quiet zone from Friday through Sunday of each week. He stated that he believes that Kroll is in violation of the bylaws by sending the letter which stated that his opinion was that of the LMCD.

Jay Soule stated that he read a statement on the Lake Minnetonka fan club which seemed to prioritize one use of the lake over another. He stated that it seemed the intent was prioritizing certain lake use over others. He stated that there has always been and will always be a tension over lake use. He stated that the Board should ensure that its decisions serve the greater lake and allow as much use as can be safely accommodated. He stated that recently it seems that people have engaged in a certain level of entitlement and privilege of the use they prefer. He suggested promoting courtesy, professionalism, and cooperation be emphasized for the LMCD and lake users. He stated that the Board should strive to support as many different lake use options as possible at the same time.

John Lundquist stated that he appreciates the work the Board is doing for the betterment of the community. He stated that he lives on North Arm and each year the problem continues to get worse related to waves and noise. He stated that he supports allowing everyone to enjoy the lake but asked why, as a homeowner, that he would have to endure loud music from boats on the water when he is sitting inside his home. He stated that he tries to avoid using the resource of the Sheriff's Office, but it is a quality of life issue. He stated that there is loud music from lake users most days that causes a nuisance to the enjoyment of his property. He stated that he has asked boat users to turn their music down, which is met with a 50/50 ratio as to the

response of the boater. He stated that he wants people to enjoy themselves and the lake but also wants to ensure that he can enjoy his own property without the nuisance of noise from boat music. He stated that he is not attempting to ban boats from the bay but simply wants the noise problem addressed.

Bret Niccum stated that he has lived on the lake his whole life and commented that he believes that a lot of things can be done to allow pontooning and wake boats. He stated that he chose to move to the channel and choose not to call others for every complaint. He stated that the lake is for everyone. He stated that if you live on the lake there will be loud boats and activity. He stated that he is not a wake surfer, but people have different interests and should be able to participate in those activities.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

11. OLD BUSINESS

A) 2021 Draft Budget

Cook stated that this is the same budget he presented at the last meeting. He noted that he would also ask for approval of the preliminary 2021 budget with the intent to distribute to member cities to gain their input. He reviewed a few grammatical changes that were made following the last presentation of the budget.

Anderson stated that he is not sure how something could be expected to be shown to member cities and approved by the Board when the Board received this information this afternoon. He referenced specific line items listed in the budget and other areas that he felt would be more helpful in understanding the budget. He was unsure how the Board could be expected to approve the document when it only had a few hours to review.

Chair Thomas stated that the proposed budget was sent out with the agenda the previous week for review. He stated that earlier this afternoon staff sent out a copy of the budget with the proposed cover letter.

Cook stated that he agrees that the last-minute transfer of data makes him uncomfortable. He stated that he did not even open the document that was sent this afternoon. He stated that he would rather discuss the budget that was included in the Board packet and not the information that was sent out this afternoon. He stated that in the future, for financial information, the deadline should be the Board packet and if additional changes need to be made that can be done at the Board meeting rather than sending last minute emails.

Anderson referenced certain line items where he did not believe that the math adds up.

Chair Thomas recognized that some of the 2020 numbers have changed between the version in the packet and the

version sent through email. He noted that the 2021 budget numbers have not changed.

Anderson stated that he would want to ensure that the numbers are correct and accurate prior to submitting to member cities. He believed that action should be delayed on this item until the next meeting.

Kirkwood asked if the only change between the documents was the transfer of \$36,000.

Cook replied that is a transfer in from the reserve fund. He stated that he was not sure why that was in that location as it would overinflate the forecast. He noted that the item should only show up if included in the approved budget. He stated that he will follow up as it does not make sense to show the transfer in that location.

Hoelscher asked why the AIS municipal dues are separated from the admin municipal dues in the budget.

Cook replied that is a historical legacy. He stated that on previous budgets there was a sense that should be kept separate, most likely for informational purposes. He stated that rather trying to address that change, they have left that separation.

Chair Thomas asked if this should be tabled tonight to allow Cook to work with staff to provide clarification.

Cook replied that would be sufficient time in the process to allow that.

Stone stated that this action was about approving the 2021 budget, which remains unchanged from the version distributed in the Board packet. She was confused why that action could not occur tonight. She stated that the purpose tonight is not to scrutinize 2020 but to approve the 2021 budget.

Chair Thomas stated that there were some questions that could not be answered related to 2020 and therefore some of the Board members feel uncomfortable approving the document tonight.

Schleunig reported that the 2020 forecast could be removed from the preliminary 2021 budget. Further, it created confusion last year.

Walesch stated that there are a few line items that have not been fully discussed with the Board but have been included in the budget, using the examples of communications and AIS prevention program. He asked what the cities would be told if the Board does not approve the associated actions related to those two-line items.

Chair Thomas stated it was his understanding that the Board approved the lake manager item in December.

Cook confirmed that the Board approved the preparation of an RFP for lake management services. He stated that the Board approved the RFP process but did not yet approve the expenditure. He confirmed that the Board would still have to approve the publication of the RFP and anything that would happen after that time. He stated that funds were included in the budget in attempt to anticipate that expenditure.

Walesch stated that he would be fine with the item remaining in the budget but asked what would happen to those

funds if the action is not approved.

Cook replied that if the funds are not spent, they would go into the reserve. He stated that any unspent funds from the previous year should be used to balance the next budget.

Newell stated that he shares the concern of Evenson with putting money into the lake to make it better. He commented that it does not seem that action has taken place related to the lake manager.

Cook replied that the RFP is still being drafted and when presented to the Board, additional discussion could occur and perhaps that would be an opportunity to "put money into the lake"

Newell suggested that funds be included in the budget that could be used as a grant towards member cities that want to improve the bays.

Cook replied that he would find it hard to adjust the budget without having the discussion of the Board on that topic. He noted that discussion will occur at the next worksession meeting.

Chair Thomas asked if the Board is comfortable approving the budget, noting that the deadline for member cities is approaching.

Cook replied that he believes it would be fine to delay action to the next meeting. He stated that he would also support the Board approving the 2021 budget tonight, noting that the forecasting documents are not related to the actual 2021 budget.

Baasen stated that in reviewing the proposed budget it appears that there is an increase of about two percent to member cities.

Cook confirmed the increase to be under two percent.

MOTION: Baasen moved, Cook seconded to approve the preliminary 2021 budget.

Further discussion: Anderson expressed continued concern with the late email transmission of information.

Chair Thomas recognized that the 2020 forecast changed from the version distributed in the packet and the emailed version this afternoon. He clarified that the motion on the table tonight is simply to approve the 2021 preliminary budget and does not relate to the forecast.

Baasen stated that when you get into a mid-year, forecasts change as a forecast is fluid.

Kirkwood asked if the city representatives carry this budget forecast to the cities personally or in company with Cook.

Schleuning replied that the cover letter is provided to the cities. She stated that sometimes Board members present

to the cities. She stated that the LMCD holds a meeting as well, to solicit input from the member cities.

Chair Thomas explained that the LMCD invites cities to attend a meeting where the budget is presented, and questions can be asked. He noted that many times member cities do not choose to participate in that meeting. He stated that LMCD submits the preliminary budget to the member cities and he then follows up to ask if his city would like he and LMCD staff to present/discuss the budget.

Kirkwood asked if staff could provide information to the members on each of the line items and what they represent, should questions be asked of him.

Schleuning stated that budget notes are included in the cover letter to the cities that highlight information on the specific line items.

Cook stated that he and Schleuning are also available to attend Council presentations.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	nay
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	absent/lost connection
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	nay
Zorn	aye

Motion carried.

Chair Thomas stated that he would still like to see a revised spreadsheet with an accurate 2020 budget and forecast.

Cook confirmed that he would follow up on that item. He asked that the Board packet be the deadline for financial information and additional information not be emailed out prior to the meeting.

Chair Thomas commented that he believes the discrepancy should be resolved prior to sending the letter to the cities.

Cook agreed.

Chair Thomas stated that the earliest the letter would be able to be sent out should then be following the next Board meeting.

Walesch commented that he does not have an issue with the budget, his vote simply reflected the fact that the letter to the member cities could not be sent out until the issues are addressed with the 2020 numbers.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A) Libbs Lake Association Request for Funding

Baasen commented that Save the Lake met on May 5th to review programs for this summer and fall and to review the budget. He stated that expenditures were included in the budget for programs including the water patrol request for a dedicated officer. He stated that the lake has been extremely busy, and Hennepin County has already begun staffing water patrol. He stated that the Save the Lake Board made the recommendation to keep the request from Libbs Lake at the same amount as the previous year, removing the restriction on chemical treatments.

Chair Thomas asked for details on the restrictions that were put on the grant in previous years.

Baasen stated that in the past the grant was restricted to non-chemical treatments. He stated that the AIS Committee Chairperson and Save the Lake believe that it makes sense to remove the chemical treatment restriction.

MOTION: Baasen moved, Stone seconded to approve the Libbs Lake Association's funding request in the amount of \$3,000 from Save the Lake funds to provide AIS management activities for Lake Minnetonka.

Hoelscher stated that she read the memo, which does not state that the grant funds are to be used to improve navigation. She stated that originally funds were provided to Libbs Lake because the LMCD harvester could not get into Libbs Lake. She commented that the LMCD is not harvesting and therefore does not believe Libbs Lake should be treated any differently than other bays.

Chair Thomas stated that the grant funds are to be used for navigation and safety improvements.

Schleuning stated that in the past the clearing happens in the channels and near the beach location.

Anderson stated that in Crystal Bay the residents have completed their own chemical treatment for navigation purposes. He stated that this would seem to be preferential treatment. He stated that chemical treatment could be completed on the entire bay for slightly over \$3,000. He stated that he does not see why Libbs Lake would not fund their own improvement, similar to the other bays.

Zorn echoed the comments that the LMCD should step back, as the LMCD is not harvesting any other spot on the

lake and therefore to continue to fund \$3,000 in harvesting for this small area would set a precedent that could not be mirrored.

Walesch stated that he understands both sides of the issue. He stated that the LMCD does have flexible funds in the budget to ensure that the channels are safe and navigable. He stated that the LMCD could review requests from other areas related to safety and navigation. He asked for input on the fairness of funding one bay and not others.

Schleuning stated that Libbs Lake Association has an integrated approach and completes the maximum level of herbicide treatment in the bay, and this additional action is supplemented for the channel.

Baasen confirmed that historically this began because the LMCD could not get into Libbs Lake with its harvester. He stated that with the review and master plan related to AIS, Save the Lake chose to not increase the grant amount and to remove the restriction related to chemical treatment. He stated that there may be opportunities to work with other bays in the future, should requests be received that make sense.

Brandt stated that the previous year the funding was requested based on the early spring timeline with the decision still being made on harvesting last season. He stated that he believes that this request should be paused until the deeper discussion on how to treat the lake equally.

Hoelscher stated that there is funding in the budget for AIS removal if there is a navigation request arises. She commented that this area should be treated the same as any other location on the lake.

Baasen commented that Libbs Lake has submit a request for what they know to be a problem.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	nay
Baasen	aye
Brandt	nay
Cook	nay
Hoelscher	nay
Hughes	aye
Kirkwood	nay
Klohs	nay
Kroll	absent/lost connection
Newell	nay
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	nay
Zorn	nay

Motion failed.

B) Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Water Patrol Request for Funding

Baasen stated that the LMCD has contracted with Water Patrol for several years which has resulted in benefit for the lake and its users. He stated that the request from Water Patrol was \$42,000 and last year \$30,000 was awarded. He stated that Save the Lake recommends approval of the award in the amount of \$35,000.

MOTION: Baasen moved, Cook seconded to approve the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office funding request in the amount of \$35,000 from LMCD Save the Lake funds to provide dedicated patrol services to Lake Minnetonka during peak boating times and authorize staff to enter into an agreement for these law enforcement and boater safety services.

Further discussion: Anderson suggested funding the full request of \$42,000 which allots a full-time position. He stated that in 2020 \$30,000 was awarded and those funds ran out in August, yet the County continued to fund the position through September. He stated that Hennepin County has been proactive in bringing this position and others to the lake already. He asked that the motion be amended to fund the full amount of \$42,000.

MOTION: Anderson moved, Zorn seconded to amend the motion to approve the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office funding request in the amount of \$42,000 from LMCD Save the Lake funds to provide dedicated patrol services to Lake Minnetonka during peak boating times and authorize staff to enter into an agreement for these law enforcement and boater safety services.

Further discussion: Walesch thanked Save the Lake for bringing this request forward as safety is the number one priority.

Brandt echoed the comments of Walesch and believed it is well justified to increase the request because of the additional traffic anticipated because of social distancing. He asked if there is funding available within the Save the Lake budget to increase the request.

Baasen stated that the LMCD/Save the Lake has always given a portion of the amount and not the full request. He stated that Save the Lake recommended an increase of \$5,000 from the previous year. He stated that Save the Lake has not raised \$42,000 in one year in a long time and there are other expenses within the budget. He stated that he could not support awarding a grant that exceeds what can be raised in one year.

Walesch stated that in the packet there was an option to use reserves to fund the gap.

Baasen noted that \$5,000 from the reserve is included in the \$35,000. He stated that he supports the Water Patrol but there is not sufficient funding available to fund at the rate of \$42,000 from Save the Lake.

Cook stated that it has been a long time since \$42,000 has been raised through the Save the Lake budget in one year. He noted that the \$35,000 included a budget amendment of \$5,000.

Hoelscher stated that it seemed that perhaps the \$3,000 from the Libbs Lake request could be added to this request

for a total of \$38,000.

Baasen stated that while he would like to increase the award, the only funding that can be used on Water Patrol is Save the Lake funding and there is not a sufficient ability to generate that amount in one year. He explained that the cities have stated that they do not want their contributions to be used for Hennepin County funding. He reviewed the different budget and program funding needs of Save the Lake. He explained that the \$35,000 funding award includes using up to \$5,000 of Save the Lake reserves.

Walesch asked Baasen for input on allocating the \$3,000 that was slated for Libbs Lake to add that to the Water Patrol request.

Baasen stated that he would be concerned that moving those funds could remove the option of using that funding for other things that may come forward.

Cook stated that the Save the Lake reserve fund has remained stable. He stated that if a larger amount is selected for the award, the reserve would be depleted faster and that would also send a message that the Sheriff's Office could count on additional funds in future years. He stated that perhaps the Libbs Lake request could come from AIS rather than Save the Lake.

Anderson commented on the high balance in the Save the Lake reserve fund and other reserve funds. He believed that the cost of \$42,000 should be funded.

Baasen stated that most of the reserves came from city allocations and the cities do not want their funds to be used to pay Hennepin County.

Chair Thomas provided clarification on the reserve levels.

Walesch stated that he likes the idea of Hoelscher to fund \$38,000, using the \$3,000 allocation that was previously recommended for funding.

MOTION: Walesch moved, Hoelscher seconded to amend the motion to approve the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office funding request in the amount of \$38,000 from LMCD Save the Lake funds to provide dedicated patrol services to Lake Minnetonka during peak boating times and authorize staff to enter into an agreement for these law enforcement and boater safety services.

Further discussion: Gilchrist explained that the Board should first consider the motion of \$38,000. He stated that if that passes, the Board still needs to vote on the amended amendment. He recommended the Board consider the \$38,000 motion right now.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	nay
Baasen	aye

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

Motion carried.

Gilchrist stated that one additional vote should be taken on the \$38,000 grant award motion to affirm the action.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	nay
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	absent/lost connection.
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

Motion carried.

MOTION: Thomas moved, Walesch seconded to amend the budget to use up to \$5,000 of Save the Lake reserves to fund the budget gap for these services.

Further discussion: Anderson stated that he would like the motion to be amended to accept donations of \$2,000 from himself and \$2,000 from Gabriel Jabbour for Save the Lake, which would fund the difference between the \$38,000 approved by the Board and the \$42,000 requested by the Water Patrol.

Gilchrist stated that if folks want to make a donation for a specific purpose, that can be done, and the donation can be marked for the desired use when making the donation. He stated that the donation would then be accepted by the Board through action on the Consent Agenda. He recommended that the amounts not be bundled together and that this motion focus on the budget transfer. He stated that additional funds can be donated by individuals to Save the Lake with the donation marked for the desired use and once accepted by the Board on the Consent Agenda can be distributed.

Anderson commented that if that can be done in that manner, he would be fine with that process.

Cook stated that if the donations are made to Save the Lake with the marked uses, it should be made clear that the donation is in addition to the funds that were approved by the Board, so that it become extra money.

Baasen stated that with the donations mentioned that could come forward from private individuals and the increase that was approved from Save the Lake, that would equate to an increase in funding award of 20 percent, and does not fully commit Save the Lake to that level of funding in the future.

Schleunig asked for clarification on the contract and ability for staff to enter into the contract as part of this approval.

Chair Thomas reviewed the motion which was approved that provided staff the flexibility as discussed with the contract.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	aye
Kroll	absent/lost connection
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	absent/lost connection

Motion carried unanimously.

C) 2020 Appointment(s) for Official Newspaper

Schleuning reported that LMCD recently learned that *Lakeshore Weekly News* will no longer be distributing in this area. She stated that was the official newspaper of the LMCD and therefore staff is looking into additional options and will bring forward a recommendation on the official newspaper for legal postings.

13. TREASURER REPORT

No report.

14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Schleuning provided the following information:

- Staff worked with the communications group to develop a handout and information that can be found on the LMCD website related to waste water discharge and also related to fire prevention.
- Solar lights have been cleaned, recharged, and will soon be installed with assistance of Paradise Charter Cruises and Al & Almas.
- 2020 USGS Zebra Mussel research project will hopefully begin in June.
- Invasive Species web conference to take place on May 22nd
- Road and Channel construction projects in area
- She stated she received request to have transient docks used for overnight storage slips for 2020 due to uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic for restaurants. She also stated due to timing, it would need to be an administrative process. She wanted board feedback and if there were any possible unintended consequences.

Walesch commented that he would support the ability for transient slips to be used for overnight storage this year.

Kirkwood stated that he would also support that request. He asked if there would be an allowance for boats to pull up and have food delivered to the boat.

Schleuning stated that the restaurants are concerned that would not be allowed depending on the Governor's Executive Order.

Hoelscher agreed that this would be a way to help businesses on the lake that may be struggling. She agreed that the process for approval should be quick.

Anderson stated that the marinas are also struggling. He asked what would happen in July when food could possibly be sold, and the business wants to have the slips made transient again.

Schleuning stated that there have been wait lists for marinas for the past three years and asked for an update on the current market.

Anderson stated that he has over 300 slips but has only rented 114 spaces to allow for social distancing. He stated that there is a lot of uncertainty for everyone due to COVID-19. He stated that the restaurants could still allow takeout service from the transient slips.

Baasen asked if this would be a short-term overnight rental or a long-term rental.

Schleuning replied that staff has not gone into that detail as she wanted initial feedback from the Board.

Hoelscher stated that staff should first find out what the businesses want through a request to then be discussed by the Board.

Chair Thomas recognized the actions that would be necessary to amend a license, such as public hearings, and was unsure that process could be avoided.

Gilchrist stated that his thought was that if the Board wants to allow flexibility, an ordinance could be adopted that would provide administrative authority to approve a request of this type. He noted that it would be a temporary measure that would allow administrative approval of plans submitted. He noted that a review would still be completed, it would simply be on an administrative basis.

Chair Thomas stated that once there is a full discussion, he is unsure what the decision of the full Board would be.

Kirkwood asked if different insurance is required for overnight storage compared to transient slip use.

Schleuning noted that insurance is still required for transient slips, but the business would need to speak with their insurance agent to determine the type of coverage needed.

Gilchrist stated that if enough information can be gathered in time, staff will bring back a draft ordinance for consideration. He noted that the purpose of this would be to provide short term relief and therefore consideration should be considered sooner rather than later.

Chair Thomas referenced the change in declaration from the Governor which occurred today and asked staff if there was an update on whether the office would remain closed or whether it would open.

Schleuning stated that she is looking forward to things getting back to normal as the office has remained busy.

Chair Thomas asked how comfortable the Board would be with resuming in person meetings if the meeting room is opened for use in two weeks.

Kirkwood asked if the seating arrangement could be changed to spread out the members.

Walesch suggested continuing the discussion offline to develop a plan for in person meeting options that could be reviewed.

15. STANDING LMCD COMMITTEE/WORKGROUP

Aquatic Invasive Species Taskforce: No report.

Budget Workgroup: No report.

Communications and Legislative Relations: Hoelscher reported that the group met virtually and worked with staff on the waste water discharge handout. Additional information was posted on the website related to clean, drain and dry and social distancing. The group is looking forward to work on the summer rules. She stated that perhaps the group can work to develop posts and articles about respectful water use.

Deicing and Permanent Dock Workgroup: Anderson stated that the deicing work has been completed but the work has not yet begun on permanent docks. He commented that it has been difficult to work on the topic virtually and hoped to get more work done on permanent docks in the near future.

High Water Declarations/Slow Wake Workgroup (High Water Declaration): No report.

Save the Lake Committee: Baasen reported that the Save the Lake hopes to have the draft solicitation letter before the Board at the next meeting.

Strategic Plan Subcommittee: No report.

Anderson provided an example of a high-water sign.

Walesch noted that the language as used could be confusing for lake users as to whether no wake is allowed or whether there are no wake rules.

Newell asked if the Water Patrol enforces this activity.

Schleuning confirmed that there is enforcement when issues arise.

Lieutenant Magnuson stated that the no wake rules are enforced, mainly in the channels, and different high-water times of years. He stated that no wake is one of the main things boaters are stopped for throughout the year.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Walesch moved, Kirkwood seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	absent/lost connection
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Gregg Thomas, Chair

Dan Baasen, Secretary

0:36 AM

5/20/20

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Check Detail
May 16 - 31, 2020

ITEM 7A

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Class	Paid Amount
05/29/2020	EFT-20-59	ADP		Alerus Checking		
			Salaries - Admin	4020M10 · Salaries-002 - Admin	Admin.	-10,647.12
			P.E.R.A.	2020 · Payroll Liabilities -	Admin.	1,488.02
			ER PERA	4022M10 · ER PERA - Admin	Admin.	-797.16
			ER/FICA Medicare - Admin	4021M10 · ER Share of Admin FICA/Medi...	Admin.	-813.10
			Long Term Disability	2020-LT · Payroll Liabilities - UNUM	Admin.	42.13
TOTAL						-10,727.23
05/28/2020	EFT-20-60	ADP Service Fee		Alerus Checking		
			Payroll 5/15/20 - 5/31/20	4180M10 · Professional Services - Admin.	Admin.	-76.70
TOTAL						-76.70
05/28/2020	EFT-20-61	Frontier Communications		Alerus Checking		
			Phone and Internet 5/4/20 - 6/3/20	4060M10 · Telephone - Admin.	Admin.	-189.48
TOTAL						-189.48
05/28/2020	EFT-20-63	SelectAccount Group Service Fee		Alerus Checking		
			HSA Administrative fee for June 2020	4380M10 · Employee Benefits - Admin.	Admin.	-2.85
TOTAL						-2.85
05/28/2020	EFT-20-64	Health Partners		Alerus Checking		
			Dental Insurance, June 2020	4380M10 · Employee Benefits - Admin.	Admin.	-170.85
TOTAL						-170.85
05/28/2020	EFT-20-65	P.E.R.A		Alerus Checking		
			Payroll 5/16/20 - 5/31/20	2020 · Payroll Liabilities -	Admin.	-1,488.02
TOTAL						-1,488.02

0:36 AM

5/20/20

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Check Detail
May 16 - 31, 2020

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Class	Paid Amount
05/28/2020	EFT-20-66	US Bank		Alerus Checking		
			ibackup.com	4181M10 · Professional Comp. Serv.-Ad...	Admin.	-199.50
			USPS postage	4080M10 · Postage - Admin.	Admin.	-6.95
TOTAL						-206.45
05/28/2020	EFT-20-67	SW/WC Service Cooperatives		Alerus Checking		
			Health Insurance, June 2020	4380M10 · Employee Benefits - Admin.	Admin.	-2,164.50
TOTAL						-2,164.50
05/28/2020	21804	Goff Public		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	Inv.#16424		Public Relations and Legilative Relations	4180M10 · Professional Services - Admin.	Admin.	-5,118.75
TOTAL						-5,118.75
05/28/2020	21805	City of Mound		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	June 2020		Rent, June 2020	4320M10 · Office Rent - Admin.	Admin.	-1,609.71
TOTAL						-1,609.71
05/28/2020	21806	LMCC		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	Inv.#1356		VOD Services for Meeting 5/13/20	4182M10 · Media (Cable/Internet) - Admin.	Admin.	-100.00
TOTAL						-100.00
05/28/2020	21807	Premier Materials Technology Inc.		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	Inv.#46709		Solar Lights (9 Green, 11 Red)	4160M20 · Public Safety - S/L	STL	-3,234.26
TOTAL						-3,234.26
05/28/2020	21808	Southwest News Media		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	Inv.#378052		Legal Notice Gerard Ferrer	4110M10 · Public Info./Legal - Admin.	Admin.	-35.70
TOTAL						-35.70

0:36 AM

5/20/20

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Check Detail
May 16 - 31, 2020

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Class	Paid Amount
05/28/2020	21809	Tallen & Baertschi		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	April 2020		April prosecution costs	4640M10 · Prosecution Fees - Admin.	Admin.	-903.15
TOTAL						-903.15
05/28/2020	21810	TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.		Alerus Checking		
05/28/2020	Inv.#M25596		Board Meeting Minutes 4/8/20	4230M10 · Meeting Exp. - Admin.	Admin.	-325.50
			Board Meeting Minutes and view Webcast 4/22...	4230M10 · Meeting Exp. - Admin.	Admin.	-314.75
TOTAL						-640.25

1:59 AM

5/21/20

accrual Basis

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Administrative Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through April 2020

ITEM 7B

	Jan - Apr 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Grants & Other Income				
3080M10 · Interest - Admin.	1,951	2,300	-349	85%
3300M10 · Other Income - Admin.	247	500	-253	49%
3340M10 · Public Agency Grants - Adm	0	1,500	-1,500	0%
Total Grants & Other Income	2,198	4,300	-2,102	51%
Licenses/Permits				
3110M10 · Multiple/Perm. Dock Lic -Admin.	82,802	81,000	1,802	102%
3120M10 · DMA license - Admin.	1,710	3,300	-1,590	52%
3130M10 · Deicing License - Admin.	351	5,000	-4,650	7%
3170M10 · Variances - Admin.	1,000	500	500	200%
3200M10 · Special Density - Admin.	0	0	0	0%
3220M10 · Special Events - Admin.	0	0	0	0%
3240M10 · Charter Boats - Admin.	2,700	3,000	-300	90%
3280M10 · Liquor/Beer/Wine License-Admin.	17,850	17,200	650	104%
Total Licenses/Permits	106,412	110,000	-3,588	97%
3020M10 · Municipal Dues - Admin.	82,592	286,500	-203,908	29%
3260M10 · Court Fines - Admin.	28,733	45,000	-16,267	64%
3400M10 · Transfers In - Admin.	0	0	0	0%
Total Income	219,936	445,800	-225,864	49%
Gross Profit	219,936	445,800	-225,864	49%
Expense				
Legal				
4110M10 · Public Info./Legal - Admin.	362	1,000	-638	36%
4620M10 · Legal Fees - Admin.	14,724	40,000	-25,276	37%
4640M10 · Prosecution Fees - Admin.	4,491	33,500	-29,009	13%
4650M10 · Room & Board - Admin.	368	500	-133	74%
4670M10 · Recodification	0	0	0	0%
Total Legal	19,945	75,000	-55,055	27%
Office & Supplies				
4060M10 · Telephone - Admin.	765	2,900	-2,135	26%
4070M10 · Web Page / Internet - Admin.	0	840	-840	0%
4080M10 · Postage - Admin.	694	3,350	-2,656	21%
4100M10 · Printing - Admin.	0	4,900	-4,900	0%
4140M10 · Equipment R&M - Admin.	1,882	6,500	-4,618	29%
4220M10 · Office Supplies -Admin.	260	2,700	-2,440	10%
4230M10 · Meeting Exp. - Admin.	4,681	8,000	-3,319	59%
4320M10 · Office Rent - Admin.	6,439	19,600	-13,161	33%
4340M10 · Insurance - Admin.	2,620	4,700	-2,080	56%
4360M10 · Subs/Memberships - Admin.	0	2,100	-2,100	0%
4400M10 · Mileage/Exp's - Admin.	107	900	-793	12%
4410M10 · Training/Prof. Devel. - ADM	0	500	-500	0%
4520M10 · Furniture & Equip - Admin.	0	500	-500	0%
4530M10 · Comp. Sftwr & Hdwr - Admin.	384	3,000	-2,616	13%
Total Office & Supplies	17,832	60,490	-42,658	29%
Personnel Expenses				
4020M10 · Salaries-002 - Admin	69,071	222,700	-153,629	31%
4021M10 · ER Share of Admin FICA/Medicare	5,273	17,400	-12,127	30%
4022M10 · ER PERA - Admin	5,169	16,000	-10,831	32%
4380M10 · Employee Benefits - Admin.	10,898	32,000	-21,102	34%
Total Personnel Expenses	90,411	288,100	-197,689	31%

1:59 AM

5/21/20

accrual Basis

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Administrative Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through April 2020

	Jan - Apr 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Professional Services- ADM				
4040M10 · Auditing - Admin.	10,700	10,700	0	100%
4180M10 · Professional Services - Admin.	9,050	4,300	4,750	210%
4181M10 · Professional Comp. Serv.-Admin.	161	1,000	-839	16%
4182M10 · Media (Cable/Internet) - Admin.	1,280	4,000	-2,720	32%
Total Professional Services- ADM	21,191	20,000	1,191	106%
3900M10 · Transfer Out (General Fund)	0	0	0	0%
4660M10 · Proactive Code Enforcement Prog	0	0	0	0%
4980M10 · Contingency - Admin.	0	0	0	0%
4990M10 · Equip Rpl- Transfer Out - Admin	0	0	0	0%
5000M10 · Admin Reserve Expense	0	0	0	0%
Total Expense	149,379	443,590	-294,211	34%
Net Ordinary Income	70,557	2,210	68,347	3,193%
Net Income	70,557	2,210	68,347	3,193%

0:01 AM

5/21/20

accrual Basis

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District

AIS Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through April 2020

	Jan - Apr 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
3020M30 · Municipal Dues - AIS	23,638.50	82,000.00	-58,361.50	28.8%
3080M30 · Interest - AIS	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
3300M30 · Public Agencies/Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
3400M30 · Transfers In - AIS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Income	23,638.50	82,200.00	-58,561.50	28.8%
Gross Profit	23,638.50	82,200.00	-58,561.50	28.8%
Expense				
AIS Prevention Program				
4151M30 · Equip. Supplies -AIS Prevention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4152M30 · Equip. Supplies- Master Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4181M30 · Prof. Services - AIS Prevention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4182M30 · Prof. Services- Master Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4383M30 · ER Share AIS Prevent. Fica-Med	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4531M30 · Software & Hardware/Training	404.00	0.00	404.00	100.0%
4981M30 · Contingency - AIS Prevention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total AIS Prevention Program	404.00	0.00	404.00	100.0%
EWM Harvesting Program				
Equipment & Repair				
4150M30 · Equip. Supplies & Maint. - EWM	0.00	15,500.00	-15,500.00	0.0%
4160M30 · Fuel - Harvester/Wk Boats-EWM	0.00	3,300.00	-3,300.00	0.0%
4170M30 · Fuel/Supply - Van - EWM	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.0%
4720M30 · Contract Mechanic Fees - EWM	0.00	8,000.00	-8,000.00	0.0%
4721M30 · Specialty Mechanic - EWM	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
Total Equipment & Repair	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00	0.0%
Office & Supplies- EWM				
4060M30 · Telephone - EWM	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4080M30 · Postage - EWM	0.00	35.00	-35.00	0.0%
4100M30 · Printing/Advertising - EWM	0.00	225.00	-225.00	0.0%
4130M30 · Uniforms - EWM	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
4220M30 · Office Supplies - EWM	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
4350M30 · Ins./Equip. - EWM	365.00	400.00	-35.00	91.3%
Total Office & Supplies- EWM	403.50	1,110.00	-706.50	36.4%
Personnel Services- EWM				
4020M30 · Salaries - EWM	0.00	32,000.00	-32,000.00	0.0%
4021M30 · ER Share of EWM FICA/Medicare	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00	0.0%
4340M30 · Insurance W/C - EWM	269.75	3,300.00	-3,030.25	8.2%
Total Personnel Services- EWM	269.75	36,900.00	-36,630.25	0.7%
4740M30 · Truck Service - EWM	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
4980M30 · Contingency - EWM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
4990M30 · Equip. Rpl - Transfer Out - EWM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total EWM Harvesting Program	673.25	88,010.00	-87,336.75	0.8%
Total Expense	1,077.25	88,010.00	-86,932.75	1.2%
Net Ordinary Income	22,561.25	-5,810.00	28,371.25	-388.3%
Net Income	22,561.25	-5,810.00	28,371.25	-388.3%

0:02 AM

5/21/20

accrual Basis

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
Save the Lake Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through April 2020

	Jan - Apr 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Contributions				
3001M20 · Donations (General) - S/L	5,224	44,000	-38,776	12%
3004M20 · Donations (Solar Light) - S/L	0	1,000	-1,000	0%
Total Contributions	5,224	45,000	-39,776	12%
3080M20 · Interest - S/L	0	500	-500	0%
Total Income	5,224	45,500	-40,276	11%
Gross Profit	5,224	45,500	-40,276	11%
Expense				
Office & Supplies- STL				
4080M20 · Postage - S/L	0	600	-600	0%
4100M20 · Printing - S/L	0	1,000	-1,000	0%
4220M20 · Office Supplies - S/L	0	300	-300	0%
Total Office & Supplies- STL	0	1,900	-1,900	0%
Projects & Activities- STL				
4110M20 · Environmental- S/L	0	3,300	-3,300	0%
4111M20 · Public Service/Education - S/L	0	3,000	-3,000	0%
4160M20 · Public Safety - S/L	131	33,700	-33,569	0%
Total Projects & Activities- STL	131	40,000	-39,869	0%
4980M20 · Contingency - S/L	0	0	0	0%
Total Expense	131	41,900	-41,769	0%
Net Ordinary Income	5,093	3,600	1,493	141%
Net Income	5,093	3,600	1,493	141%



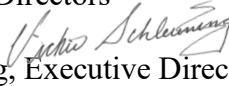
ITEM 11A

LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

DATE: May 27, 2020

TO: LMCD Board of Directors

FROM: Vickie Schleuning,  Executive Director

SUBJECT: Preliminary 2021 LMCD Budget

ACTION

Board review of the draft letter and direction to provide the preliminary 2021 budget information to the cities.

The following motions are offered depending on whether the Board wishes to approve or modify the request:

Approval

I make a motion to approve the communication of the preliminary 2021 LMCD budget, and direct staff to send the letter to representatives of the member cities.

Denial

I make a motion to deny the draft city letter regarding the preliminary 2021 LMCD budget for the following reasons...

BACKGROUND

On May 13, 2020, the LMCD Board voted to approve the preliminary 2021 LMCD budget.

Historically, the Board has approved communications to the cities about the preliminary LMCD budget as part of the approval of the preliminary budget. The board requested the letter be brought back to the Board for review before sending this year.

ATTACHMENT

- Draft Letter to Member Cities Regarding Preliminary 2021 LMCD Budget



ATTACHMENT

LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

DATE: May XX, 2020

TO: LMCD Member City Managers/Administrators & Mayors

FROM: Gregg Thomas, Chair
Bill Cook, Treasurer
Denny Newell, Board Member
Vickie Schleuning, Executive Director *Vickie Schleuning*

CC: LMCD Board Members

SUBJECT: Preliminary 2021 LMCD Budget

A copy of the preliminary 2021 Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD) Budget is enclosed. You are invited to provide comments.

By State statute, the allocation of levy to the 14 member cities is based on their percentage of the total net tax capacity, with no city paying greater than 20% of the overall levy. The LMCD Board performed a detailed analysis of our budget, resulting in projected expenses and revenues for 2021. An increase of 3.75% in our budget is anticipated, with a city levy increase of 1.76%. The city levy amount is less than the maximum levy allowed by state law. Each cities' percentage of levy increase varies in relation to taxable market values (as required by statute). Because some cities experience greater yearly gains in Total Taxable Market Value, the distribution of levy also changes.

One objective during budget preparation was to ensure a balanced budget. Many factors were considered to achieve this goal, such as increasing revenue and decreasing costs. Although revenues over the past few years have decreased primarily due to loss of grants and unpredictable fines, the LMCD, in partnership with stakeholders and volunteers, continues to provide essential services to enhance the Lake Minnetonka experience, including creating a Lake Vegetation and AIS Master Plan, offering boater safety education, reorganizing our Code of Ordinances so they are easier to understand and implement, and continuing to promote and ensure safety on the Lake.

Because many agency budgets are considered on a calendar year basis, some budget information was not available during this budget preparation. Therefore, while the LMCD continues to review all aspects of our budget, the preliminary budget is based on historical analysis and projections.

A chart is included that shows the historical LMCD budget and city levy amounts from 2009 to Preliminary 2021 Budget. This chart indicates minimal changes over the years to the LMCD budget and city levy. The following is a highlight of the Preliminary 2021 LMCD Budget.

Budget Highlights

- **Service Fees.** Increase of service fees of \$10,000 (9.09%) due to high number in recent years and additional compensation.
- **Municipal Levy.** Increase of \$6,500 (1.76%) total, reflecting adjustments for other anticipated revenues.
- **Continue High Target for Save the Lake Fund.** Maintain current levels target for contributions for value added activities through the Save the Lake Fund for specific initiatives.
- **Court Fines.** Maintain current level of projected court fines.
- **Legal Fees.** Decrease of \$10,000 (11.8%) due to anticipated reduction in applications and completion of recodification.
- **AIS Management.** Transitioning from an in-house harvesting program to a more proactive AIS management system. A decrease of personnel costs reflects this shift.
- **Office Supplies.** Decrease of \$3,500 (5.51%) in office supplies due to some gained efficiencies and engagement activities.

Please refer to the *2020 Budget Summary*, indicating the history of the revenues and expenses from 2015 to the Preliminary 2021 Budget. In addition, the *City Levy Share* chart shows the distribution of city levy based on the Preliminary 2021 Budget.

The LMCD would appreciate your input. We hope you can attend the online informational session scheduled for Thursday, June 4, 2020, at 11 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86250005421?pwd=amZUTVpQVitiVWFuZlFrVEVTNmZmUT09>

Meeting ID: 862 5000 5421

Password: 014895

Dial by your location:

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 862 5000 5421

Password: 014895

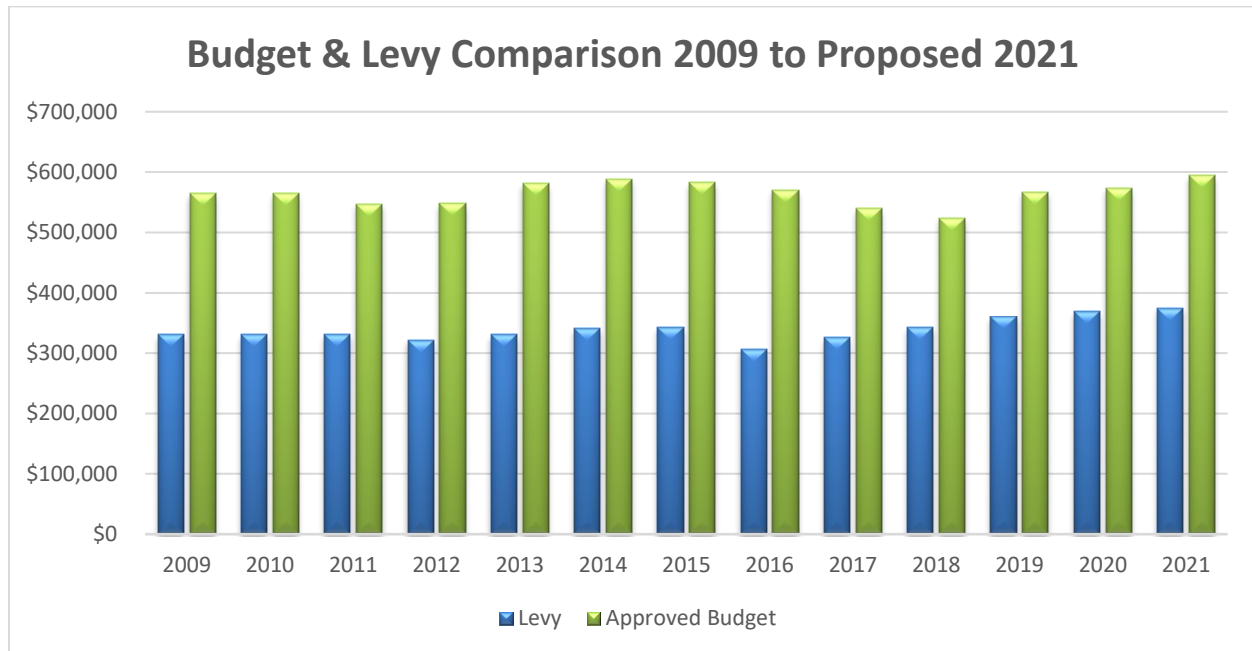
Please contact Executive Director Vickie Schleuning or your member city representative if you would like to discuss the Preliminary 2021 LMCD Budget or to review LMCD activities and projects. Review and approval of the budget by the LMCD Board is scheduled for the June 10, 2020 meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

- I. Budget and Levy Comparison 2009 Through Preliminary 2021
- II. 2021 All Funds Budget Summary
- III. City Levy Share

I. Budget and Levy Comparison 2009 Through Preliminary 2021

Since 2009, the LMCD budget has been variable with minimal increases. The 2021 proposed levy is \$375,000; the maximum levy by State law is \$638,910.



II. 2021 All Funds Budget Summary

LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT (LMCD)									
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - 2020 BUDGET SUMMARY (DRAFT 05/20/2020)									
ACTUAL FOR 2015-2019, BUDGET FOR 2020, AND PRELIMINARY 2021									
		2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Budget	2021 Budget Preliminary	2021 % Change
REVENUES									
1 Admin Municipal Dues		\$ 247,992	\$ 235,866	\$ 253,456	\$ 271,269	\$ 287,610	\$ 286,500	\$ 300,000	4.71%
2 AIS Municipal Dues		\$ 94,500	\$ 70,999	\$ 66,795	\$ 75,534	\$ 81,170	\$ 82,000	\$ 75,000	-8.54%
3 Grants and rebates		\$ 54,000	\$ 14,015	\$ 20,995	\$ 28,830	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -	-100.00%
4 Interest and other		\$ 4,455	\$ 3,793	\$ 1,158	\$ 3,706	\$ 12,153	\$ 3,000	\$ 8,000	166.67%
5 Licenses and Permits		\$ 107,510	\$ 112,979	\$ 118,149	\$ 115,590	\$ 123,402	\$ 110,000	\$ 120,000	9.09%
6 Court Fines		\$ 33,974	\$ 35,598	\$ 80,908	\$ 42,967	\$ 40,344	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	0.00%
7 Donations		\$ 50,757	\$ 21,425	\$ 29,978	\$ 35,877	\$ 29,715	\$ 45,000	\$ 40,000	-11.11%
8 Transfers In		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,000	-
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 593,188	\$ 494,675	\$ 571,439	\$ 573,773	\$ 594,394	\$ 573,500	\$ 595,000	3.75%
EXPENSES									
9 Personnel Services		\$ 281,849	\$ 296,900	\$ 235,542	\$ 259,300	\$ 260,502	\$ 325,000	\$ 300,000	-7.69%
10 Office and Supplies		\$ 53,533	\$ 51,804	\$ 57,613	\$ 48,720	\$ 55,851	\$ 63,500	\$ 60,000	-5.51%
11 Legal		\$ 90,651	\$ 98,449	\$ 97,268	\$ 75,500	\$ 74,592	\$ 75,000	\$ 70,000	-6.67%
12 Admin Professional Services		\$ 28,768	\$ 16,509	\$ 20,582	\$ 20,700	\$ 32,350	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	25.00%
13 AIS Prevention Program (Inspections and Master Plan)		\$ 37,571	\$ 25,148	\$ 31,663	\$ 10,000	\$ 118,238	--	\$ 75,000	-
14 AIS Management (harvesting, equipment and repair)		\$ 48,251	\$ 56,103	\$ 50,969	\$ 50,000	\$ 8,799	\$ 50,000	\$ 5,000	-90.00%
15 Equipment Replacement		\$ 786	\$ 744	\$ 1,220	\$ -			\$ -	-
16 STL Grants and Programs		\$ 67,233	\$ 42,800	\$ 35,307	\$ 34,625	\$ 38,614	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	0.00%
17 Budget Amendment									
18 Communications								\$ 20,000	-
18 Transfers Out		\$ 38,192	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -				
19 Other									
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 646,834	\$ 588,457	\$ 545,164	\$ 498,845	\$ 588,947	\$ 573,500	\$ 595,000	3.75%
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)		\$ (53,646)	\$ (93,782)	\$ 26,275	\$ 74,928	\$ 5,447	\$ -	\$ -	
Reserve Amounts									
General				YE 2017	YE 2018	YE 2019			
				\$ 168,928	\$ 231,023	\$ 258,429			
AIS				\$ 85,176	\$ 94,815	\$ 79,590			
Reserve Fund Balance				\$ 254,104	\$ 325,838	\$ 338,019			
Reserve Percentage of Annual Expenses				47%	65%	57%			
Equipment Replacement				\$ 118,422	\$ 119,167	\$ 125,652			
Save the Lake				\$ 164,133	\$ 164,731	\$ 157,788			
				\$ 536,659	\$ 609,736	\$ 621,459			


[illegible]

This Budget presentation is a presentation of each first level budget line item for all three funds. Further definition of the contents of each line item and its specific fund breakdown historical data are available on the All Funds Breakdown prepared in our Audit Process and the Profit & Loss Statements.

[illegible]

- | | |
|----|---|
| 1 | Administration dues were increased to reflect the higher annual costs and when coupled with the AIS dues generate a 1.8% increase in total dues. |
| 2 | See #1 above. |
| 3 | Grants are often pass through items that show up in equal amounts in the income and expense line, and so may not included in the budget. Rebates are included in typical amounts. |
| 4 | Interest and other income is increased to reflect changes in the market and to better identify those income amounts within the budget framework. |
| 5 | License and Permit fees are expected to increase based on the higher number of project applications processed in recent years. |
| 6 | Court fines are also expected to remain at similar levels. |
| 7 | Donations are anticipated to increase slightly. |
| 8 | Transfers in are from the reserve funds if shown. |
| 9 | Personnel services have been decreased, dependant on workload needs and additional staff hours anticipated to provide services. |
| 10 | Office and supplies was decreased and also provides resources to produce routine communication mailings and education pieces. |
| 11 | Legal includes both the administrative and prosecution fees. Legal fees are anticipated to decline due to conclusion of the recodification process in 2020. |
| 12 | Professional Services primarily includes the cost of producing and broadcasting the Board Meeting, Audit fees, and IT consulting fees. |
| 13 | AIS Prevention Program includes the activities related to current and long-term projects for the prevention of AIS, inspection activities, and similar. Grants may be received and passed through to other service providers. |
| 14 | Harvesting Program is the removal and disposal of aquatic invasive vegetation such as CLP and EWM from navigation areas. This budget includes costs of abating problematic navigation areas through contracted services. It had typically included the operation of a two harvesters and/or a combination of three onlake machines during the season. |
| 16 | STL are the Save the Lake Grants that are funded from contributions and donations received from the STL program. STL programs fund the ongoing Solar Light Program, Boater Safety Training Classes, public safety and emergency services, and other lake protection and safety programs. |
| 18 | Funds support communications and legislation relations activities for lake conservation and safety including consulting fees. |

III. City Levy Share

<div>  <div> LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT 2021 BUDGET AND LEVY (Preliminary) </div> </div>										
City	2010 U.S. Census Population Data	2019 Estimated Market Value	2019 Net Tax Capacity	% of Total Net Tax Capacity (Note 1)	Share of Admin. Levy in 2021	Share of AIS Levy in 2021	Share of Total Levy in 2021	Share of Total Levy in 2020	Change in Total Levy from 2020	% Change from 2020
DEEPHAVEN	3,642	\$ 1,378,655,900	\$ 15,768,253	5.1%	\$20,449	\$5,112	\$25,561	\$25,798	-\$237	-0.92%
EXCELSIOR	2,188	\$ 563,728,900	\$ 7,128,340	2.3%	\$9,244	\$2,311	\$11,555	\$10,996	\$559	5.09%
GREENWOOD	688	\$ 383,967,100	\$ 4,524,938	1.5%	\$5,868	\$1,467	\$7,335	\$7,077	\$258	3.64%
MINNETONKA	49,734	\$ 10,227,884,400	\$ 125,045,402	40.3%	\$60,000	\$15,000	\$75,000	\$73,700	\$1,300	1.76%
MTKA BEACH	539	\$ 366,110,800	\$ 4,335,414	1.4%	\$5,622	\$1,406	\$7,028	\$7,009	\$19	0.28%
MINNETRISTA	6,384	\$ 1,828,446,800	\$ 19,628,686	6.3%	\$25,455	\$6,364	\$31,819	\$31,279	\$540	1.73%
MOUND	9,052	\$ 1,424,716,300	\$ 14,896,070	4.8%	\$19,318	\$4,829	\$24,147	\$23,620	\$527	2.23%
ORONO	7,437	\$ 3,193,769,900	\$ 36,704,692	11.8%	\$47,600	\$11,900	\$59,500	\$58,846	\$654	1.11%
SHOREWOOD	7,307	\$ 1,838,064,900	\$ 20,348,054	6.6%	\$26,388	\$6,597	\$32,985	\$33,119	-\$134	-0.40%
SPRING PARK	1,669	\$ 309,279,100	\$ 3,709,461	1.2%	\$4,811	\$1,203	\$6,013	\$6,007	\$6	0.10%
TONKA BAY	1,475	\$ 609,862,400	\$ 6,982,370	2.3%	\$9,055	\$2,264	\$11,319	\$11,422	-\$104	-0.91%
VICTORIA	7,345	\$ 1,733,474,600	\$ 18,175,274	5.9%	\$23,570	\$5,893	\$29,463	\$27,066	\$2,397	8.86%
WAYZATA	3,688	\$ 2,225,685,300	\$ 29,126,139	9.4%	\$37,772	\$9,443	\$47,215	\$46,201	\$1,014	2.19%
WOODLAND	437	\$ 317,608,600	\$ 3,737,895	1.2%	\$4,847	\$1,212	\$6,059	\$6,359	-\$299	-4.71%
	101,585	\$ 26,401,255,000	\$ 310,110,988	100.0%	\$300,000	\$75,000	\$375,000	\$368,500	\$6,500	1.76%
Maximum Levy Per MN statute 103B.635 (Total Taxable Market Value * 0.00242%)								\$638,910		
(Note 1) Per MN statute 103B.631, no city may pay more than 20% of the total levy. The City of Minnetonka would pay a constant 20% of any amounts to be levied.										
Remaining cities factor for determining levy amounts is computed as: (City Net Tax Capacity / (Total Net Tax Capacity - Minnetonka Net Tax Capacity)) * 80%										
Total Net Tax Capacity			310,110,988							
less Minnetonka Net Tax Capacity			(125,045,402)							
Net Tax Capacity for remaining 13 cities			185,065,586							

ITEM 11B

From: Tony Nickolay <tonynickolay@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 4:36 PM

To: Vickie Schleuning <vschleuning@lmcd.org>; Andrew Krenzer <andrew@advisorsrealtymn.com>

Cc: Tony Nickolay <tonynickolay@gmail.com>

Subject: Fwd: Libbs Lake funding request

Good morning Vicki,

First and foremost thank you and the board for all your ongoing efforts to help manage Lake Minnetonka. As volunteers to the Libbs Lake Association, we realize the challenges and frustrations that go along with the job.

I attended the Zoom meeting Wednesday night and was noticing the challenges and changes in dynamics Zoom meetings create. Hopefully, life can go back to some normalcy once a vaccine is in place. I was disappointed and somewhat surprised at the board's denial of our funding request. It was interesting to see different people suggest that the board has favored Libbs Lake in approval of previous years' grants. This is not true and maybe because they don't understand all issues related to past and current funding requests.

I would like the LMCD to hear all of the issues.

Libbs Lake Association has gotten past funding because we have taken the time to submit in writing a detailed and documented request. Most other Lake Minnetonka Bays haven't and won't go through this process. All board members should take the time to review our written request submitted. A copy is attached to this email. It explains a lot and I think would have answered many of their questions. Any organization/Bay can ask for help, but there are not other requests. Why penalize those who ask for help. When other requests are submitted in the future the committee and board should simply review and approve based upon available funding and need. It should not be based on what others are saying or doing.

One other point that seems to continue to create confusion and be a reason for denial of grant requests is the discontinuance of the harvesting program. The harvesters were parked for a reason. They may or may not be used in the future. It doesn't make any sense to use this issue as a reason to stop the spread of invasive plants, unnavigable channels and waterways, and lastly public safety. Please do not use the harvesting as a reason to stop saving the lake today!

I wanted to quickly address how Libbs Lake is different from the other bays.

1. The Libbs Lake public beach. This beach is heavily used. Many people swim, paddleboard, kayak, canoe, and fish here. With current health issues, the demand for this beach, in my opinion, is up 50%. With this issue at hand, it is terrible timing to cut back funding and efforts for public safety. The weeds will be much worst this year with less funding and less weed treatment. Definitely a big public safety issue around a beach.

2. When I moved to Libbs Lake eight years ago the bay was a disaster. The weeds were out of control and it looked like a swamp. Since then we have organized and made significant progress. It no longer looks like a swamp and many more people now come to the bay. It is a beautiful natural resource if

taken care of. Your funding denial will make it much harder for us to maintain and improve the bay for everyone. This is very unfortunate. Again all funds go to navigational channels, fight invasive weeds, and lastly public safety. No money from community sources goes to help any one property owner. Please know this is not allowed.

3. Contrary to one of the board members' comments at the board meeting about flooding the bay with chemicals, it is not allowed to do this to the extreme he was suggesting and it is not needed to keep everything under control. Just so all board members know we submit our application every year to the DNR for herbicide and mechanical weed control. They approve 15% herbicide treatment. This is not enough to treat all the weeds but we follow what is allowed. The additional mechanical { scuba } has been very effective as a one-two punch to help control the weeds. We work very closely with the DNR and follow their guidelines religiously.

The city of Minnetonka in addition to being a sizable contributor to the LMCD also provides us extra assistance. We have taken the initiative again to ask the city for help. The city Parks and Recreation dept. now contributes \$2500/ year to the cause. They don't have to do this due to this money going beyond their property limits but they do because we have worked to establish a close relationship and together want to protect this natural resource.

Our association does get community involvement. Each property owner on the bay contributes \$125 annually to the weed program. There are roughly 70 property owners who participate. We have increased this amount over recent years but are getting strong resistance to any future increases.

Lastly, Libbs Lake has been a good Stuart for the lake and has tried to work closely with all LMCD Members. Vicki, please share your thoughts and opinions with the board regarding our past working relationship. Also, Vicki please share this email with all LMCD board members.

In conclusion, we would like to use this email as a formal written request for the board to reevaluate our funding request for 2020. I was available at the last board meeting to speak but was not asked to participate. I would be more than happy to speak at any future meeting regarding our funding request.

Again thank you for all you do! It matters and we appreciate your time and efforts. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Tony Nickolay
Andrew Krenzer
Libbs Lake Association



ATTACHMENT

From Previous Meeting

LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

DATE: May 13, 2020

TO: LMCD Board of Directors

FROM: Vickie Schleuning, Executive Director *Vickie Schleuning*

SUBJECT: Libbs Lake AIS Funding Request

ACTION

Board consideration of a funding request from Libbs Lake Association to support Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) management activities on Lake Minnetonka. The following motions are offered depending on whether the Board wishes to approve or deny the request.

Approval:

I make a motion to approve the Libbs Lake Association's funding request in the amount of \$3,000 from Save the Lake funds to provide AIS management activities for Lake Minnetonka.

Denial:

I make a motion to deny the Libbs Lake Association's funding request for AIS management activities for Lake Minnetonka.

BACKGROUND

On March 11, 2020, the LMCD received a request from Libbs Lake Association for funding as part of the AIS management program in the amount up to \$15,000.

The bay has public amenities with Libbs Lake Park and the Swimming Beach. In the past, the LMCD harvester was not able to access this bay due to the harvester's size. The Libbs Lake Association has used an integrated approach to managing AIS. The funds provided in the past have been used for mechanical weed removal. More details are provided in the attached request.

In 2019, the Board provided supplementary funding for Libbs Lake Association AIS management in the amount of \$3,000. Funding has been provided in previous years as well. The Association has consistently fulfilled the funding requirements of the LMCD.

The Save the Lake Committee met on May 5, 2020 and discussed the funding request. The Committee recommended funding the request in the amount of \$3,000 funded from the Save the Lake fund account. Funding is available in the current Save the Lake budget. The Committee also recommends removing the stipulation that the funds be used for mechanical types of AIS management activities for Lake Minnetonka. The applicant states they find the integrated AIS management approach beneficial and will likely continue with the diver type of AIS vegetation removal.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Are funds available from AIS, Save the Lake or other LMCD fund accounts?
- Does the funding of this request align with the LMCD mission and goals?
- Is this an appropriate and desirable use of 1) general or 2) donated funds?

ATTACHMENT

- Libbs Lake Funding Request

ATTACHMENT

From: Tony Nickolay <tonynickolay@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 10:05 AM
To: Vickie Schleuning <vschleuning@lmcd.org>
Cc: Andrew Krenzer <andrew@advisorsrealtymn.com>; Tony Nickolay <tonynickolay@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: 2020 Funding request schedule.

Hello Lake Minnetonka Conservation District Board Members,

This is Tony Nickolay from the Libbs Lake Association. I am contacting you today to request funding for our 2020 Libbs Lake weed control program.

We are very grateful for the funding you gave us last year and we need your support again. Your funding has made a big difference for all that use Libbs Lake including, Libbs Lake beach, picnic area, fishing areas, swimmers, paddleboarders, kayakers, walkers, boaters and sun enthusiasts. Many families visit Libbs Lake due to its convenient location and quiet waters.

The \$3000 funding you approved last year was used to pay Deep Divers Commercial, a local, licensed mechanical weed removal company. They did a good job and we plan to use them again this year. This funding was given to us from your AIS account.

Our plan, as in the past, is to do the maximum herbicide treatment authorized through the DNR, then use the funding from the LMCD to do mechanical weed removal. Thru this two-step process, we are hopeful we can continue to fight the invasive species weeds that are constantly spreading.

The \$3000 covered a portion of the \$15,000 estimate from Deep Divers Commercial. We will see another \$15,000 cost estimate this year for mechanical weed removal. We would like to request that the LMCD increase their contribution. Anything more than \$3000 would be much appreciated, and if possible please approve the maximum funding up to \$15,000.

As done previously all LMCD requirements for this funding will be followed exactly as directed to us from the LMCD Administration office. This has been followed in the past and has worked well.

Again, thank you for your support. On behalf of all the people who use and enjoy Libbs Lake we thank the LMCD for its efforts and your support. Please let me know if you have any questions or need us to attend a future meeting. We care very much about this resource and want to do everything we can to preserve its beauty.

Tony Nickolay
tonynickolay@gmail.com
Phone #952-836-4081
Libbs Lake Association




LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

DATE: May 27, 2020

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Vickie Schleuning,  Executive Director

SUBJECT: 2020 Designation of Official Newspaper

ACTION

Board consideration of designation of an official newspaper for LMCD.

The following motions are offered depending on whether the Board wishes to approve or deny the request:

Approval:

I make a motion to approve the recommended designation(s) of the official newspaper(s) of the LMCD for the purposes of publishing legal notices.

Denial:

I make a motion to deny the recommended designations of the official newspaper(s).

BACKGROUND

Per MN Statutes 103B.641, Subd. 2, the LMCD is required to publish its regulations in an official newspaper.

On April 23, 2020, the LMCD was notified by Southwest Publishing that the Lakeshore Weekly News would be discontinued. The LMCD Board had previously designated the Lakeshore Weekly News as its official newspaper for 2020 and many years prior.

In order to meet the requirements for designating an official newspaper of MN Statutes 331A.04, LMCD staff have been in contact with Adams Publishing Group to ascertain which of their newspaper(s) would deliver publications to the member cities of the LMCD. They stated all their newspaper are registered with the MN Secretary of State and are legal publications. They stated their newspapers cover all the cities

RECOMMENDATION

Board approval is necessary to designate the official newspaper for 2020 where LMCD will publish its legal notices. The specific editions will be reviewed with the Board for consideration.

ATTACHMENTS

- MN Statutes 331A.04, Designation of a Newspaper for Official Publications.

331A.04 DESIGNATION OF A NEWSPAPER FOR OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Priority.** The governing body of a political subdivision, when authorized or required by statute or charter to designate a newspaper for publication of its public notices, shall designate a qualified newspaper in the following priority.

Subd. 2. **Known office in locality.** If there are one or more qualified newspapers, the known office of issue of which are located within the political subdivision, one of them shall be designated.

Subd. 3. **Secondary office in locality.** When no qualified newspaper has a known office of issue located in the political subdivision, but one or more qualified newspapers maintain a secondary office there, one of them shall be designated.

Subd. 4. **General circulation in locality.** When no qualified newspaper has its known office of issue or a secondary office located within the political subdivision, then a qualified newspaper of general circulation there shall be designated.

Subd. 5. **Other situations.** If a political subdivision is without an official newspaper, or if the publisher refuses to publish a particular public notice, matters required to be published shall be published in a newspaper designated as provided in subdivision 4. The governing body of a political subdivision with territory in two or more counties may, if deemed in the public interest, designate a separate qualified newspaper for each county.

Subd. 6. **Exception to designation priority.** (a) Notwithstanding subdivisions 1 to 3, the governing body of a political subdivision may designate any newspaper for publication of its official proceedings and public notices, if the following conditions are met:

- (1) the newspaper is a qualified medium of official and legal publication;
- (2) the publisher of the newspaper furnishes a sworn statement, verified by a recognized independent circulation auditing agency, covering a period of at least one year ending no earlier than 60 days before designation of the newspaper, stating that the newspaper's circulation reaches not fewer than 75 percent of the households within the political subdivision;
- (3) the newspaper has provided regular coverage of the proceedings of the governing body of the political subdivision and will continue to do so; and
- (4) the governing body votes unanimously to designate the newspaper.

(b) If the circulation of a newspaper designated under this subdivision falls below 75 percent of the households within the political subdivision at any time within the term of its designation as official newspaper, its qualification to publish public notices for the political subdivision terminates.

Subd. 7. **Joint bidding.** A bid submitted jointly by two or more newspapers for the publication of public notices must not be considered anticompetitive or otherwise unlawful if the following conditions are met:

- (1) all of the qualified newspapers in the political subdivision participate in the joint bid;
- (2) the existence of the joint bid arrangement is disclosed to the governing body of the political subdivision before or at the time of submission of the joint bid; and

(3) the board is free to reject the joint bid and, if it does, individual qualified newspapers do not refuse to submit separate bids owing to the rejection of the joint bid.

History: 1984 c 543 s 23; 2003 c 59 s 1; 2004 c 182 s 14



LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5341 MAYWOOD ROAD, SUITE 200 • MOUND, MINNESOTA 55364 • TELEPHONE 952/745-0789 • FAX 952/745-9085

TO: LMCD Board of Directors

FROM: Vickie Schleuning, Executive Director *Vickie Schleuning*

DATE: May 27, 2020

SUBJECT: Executive Director Update

The following items are highlights of ongoing LMCD projects and Lake-related current events and activities. Please let me know if you have questions.

- **2020 Summer Rules Brochure**

New and updated information is provided in the 2020 Summer Rules brochure based on feedback and health and safety situations. Some new information includes top ten summer violations, fire prevention, new marine toilet regulations, safety tips for nonmotorized boaters to be more visible to other watercraft operators, and AIS Detector opportunities. It will be available on the website.

- **.Wastewater Discharge & Marine Toilets Handout**

A handout describing new marine toilet requirements on Lake Minnetonka is beginning to be distributed. Due to COVID-19 social distancing guidelines in 2020, pumps should be removed if they can be removed safely. Enforcement of all watercraft will begin in 2021. The handout is attached and available on the LMCD website.

- **Boater Safety Class Cancelled for 2020**

Due to Governor Walz' executive orders and the recommendations of health officials regarding COVID-19, the boater safety class will not be offered this summer. However, the LMCD will continue to promote safe boating and lake use through online means. Watch for more public education materials throughout the coming months.

- **Solar Lights**

Solar lights were installed last week on certain navigation buoys across the lake with the help of volunteers from Al & Alma's and Paradise Charter Cruises. If anyone notices the solar lights not working, please contact our office.

- **Lake Minnetonka Water Level**

On May 20, 2020, the lake water level was measured at 929.49 feet above sea level. Ordinary high water mark for Lake Minnetonka is 929.4 feet.

- **Hybrid Watermilfoil in Minnesota - Webinar.**

The University of Minnesota's Invasive Species Research Center hosted a webinar on May 22nd. Researchers Dr. Ray Newman and Dr. Ryan Thum discussed the distribution, genetics, and potential challenges of hybrid watermilfoil in Minnesota. If you missed the webinar but are interested in the discussion, a recording will be available.

Lake Minnetonka Summer Rules 2020



ENJOYING THE LAKE SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY



Lake Minnetonka Summer Rules 2020

Table of Contents

Lake Minnetonka & the Conservation District (LMCD)	1
Quiet Water Areas, Slow Areas, & Public Access/Boat Launches.....	2-3
Health & Safety.....	4
Top Ten Summer Violations.....	5
Unique Regulations, Wastewater Discharge.....	6
Towing & Nonmotorized watercraft safety.....	7
Watercraft Operator Age & Personal Watercraft Operations	8-10
General Safety Items	11
Navigation & Rules of the Road	12-13
Common Regulations & Nuisances.....	14-15
Aquatic Invasive Species: Help Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers	16-17
Resources, Links, & Emergency Contacts	Back Cover

This brochure contains a summary of rules of conduct for Lake Minnetonka. Since Lake Minnetonka is one of the busiest lakes, certain regulations are in place to help protect the Lake and all those who use it. More information about applicable laws can be found by contacting the State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR), Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Water Patrol, and the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD) and its member cities. Thank you to all the agencies and volunteers that help make the lake fun and safe. Thank you for doing your part in these protection efforts. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)
Main Office 952-745-0789 Fax 952-745-9085 lmcd.org email: lmcd@lmcd.org
5341 Maywood Road, Suite 200 • Mound, MN 55364





OUR MISSION

For more than 50 years, the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD) has been managing the use of Lake Minnetonka in its mission to preserve and enhance the "Lake Minnetonka experience."

The (LMCD) brings together 14 different cities, two counties, and many state and local agencies to **protect, preserve and enhance Lake Minnetonka's environment, economy and vitality.** We are one, uniform, coordinating body that cares for and regulates one of Minnesota's most important resources in a way that is consistent across all jurisdictions, representing all stakeholders. Lake Minnetonka is a unique asset requiring unique governance.

Some services such as **emergency response, solar lights, boater safety education, vegetation management, and more** are supported by the generous contributions of lake enthusiasts through the **LMCD SAVE the LAKE Fund.** Lake Minnetonka is a highly valued year-round asset with vibrant aesthetic, recreational, commercial and natural qualities. The LMCD works to ensure these qualities and values will be protected and preserved not just today, but for generations to come.

Visit lmcd.org and join us on Facebook and Twitter for Lake Minnetonka information and updates.

New Lake Resources Online

Find lake maps, lake amenities (gas, bathrooms, etc.), beaches, safety tips, events, and more at lmcd.org



Variety of photos for purchase at lmcd.org

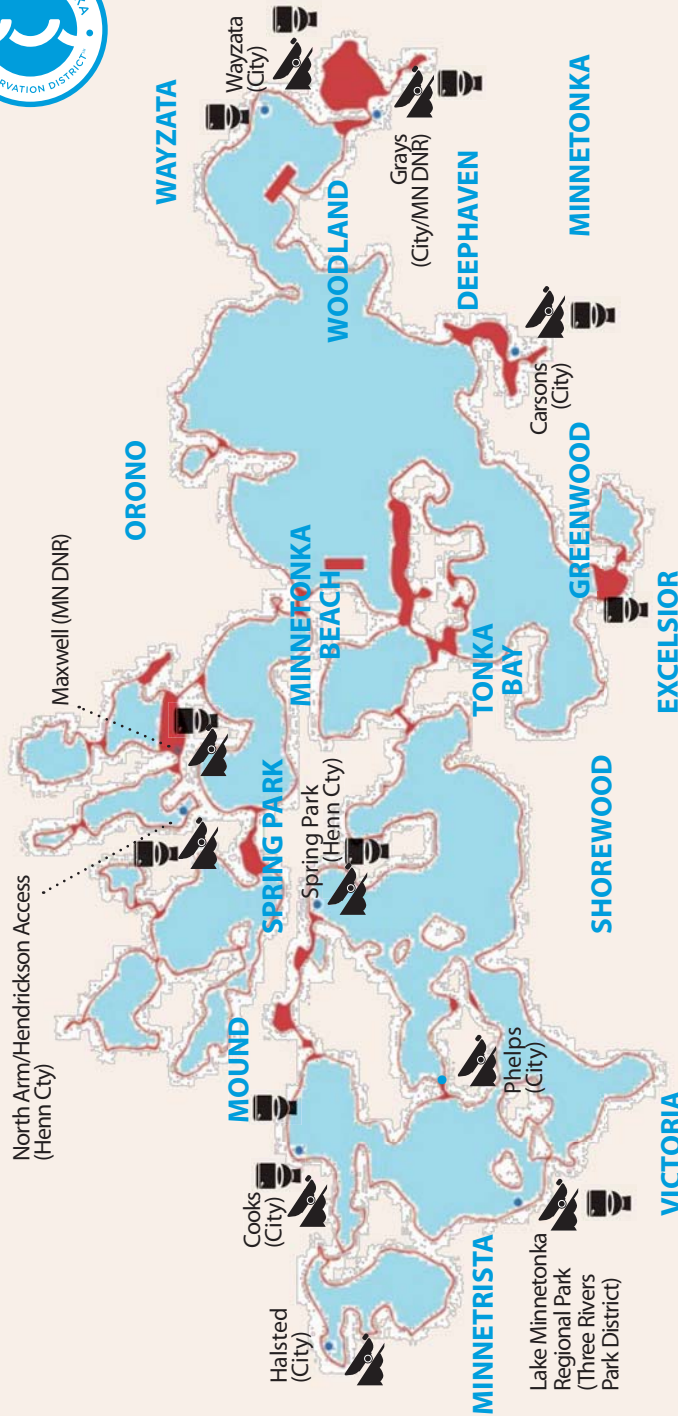
DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Minnetonka is known for its:

- 125 miles of shoreline
- 14,043 acres of surface area—the ninth largest lake in Minnesota
- 42 bays/named bodies of water
- Deepest bay of 113 feet (Crystal Bay)
- 30-foot mean water depth
- 39 percent of the lake has a water depth of less than 15 feet
- Vibrant community, including 14 cities surrounding the Lake
- Sacred indigenous areas, featured in Dakota legends
- Dakota name of "Minn-ni-tanka," meaning "Big Water"
- Located within the Minnehaha Creek Watershed
- Abundance of nature, including regional parks, islands and trails
- Numerous sightings of "Lou," a legendary sturgeon in-excess of 10 feet in length (per local folklore)
- First known "Electric-lit" inland steamboat in the US (1881)



Quiet Water, Slow Areas, & Public Access/Boat Launches



KEY



Public Access/Boat Launch



Public toilet facilities indicated on map.
See lmcd.org for business facilities and additional lake amenities.

QUIET WATER / SLOW AREAS

Proceed at **minimum wake** along shorelines and in all areas as indicated on map

— Slow Areas (150 ft from shore, docks, etc.)

— Quiet Waters

MAXIMUM WATERCRAFT SPEED LIMITS



DAYTIME
Speed Limit
40 mph



NIGHTTIME
Speed Limit
20 mph

AT ALL TIMES

Speed Limit
5 mph
Within

- 150 feet of the shore
- 150 feet of a dock structure—except where a person is being towed
- 150 feet of an authorized bathing area, swimmer, scuba diver's flag, anchored craft or structure

LAKE MINNETONKA QUIET WATER AREA LOCATIONS

ENTIRE BAYS

Carsons Bay
Emerald Lake
Libbs Lake
St. Louis Bay

Grays Bay
*From 4 p.m. Fridays through
11:59 p.m. Sundays and all
day on holidays*

PARTIAL BAYS

Black Lake—north side
Coffee Cove—east of a line from Fagerness Point to Park Lane
Excelsior Bay—south end
Harrisons Bay—north of Seton channel area
Lower Lake North—north side of Big Island/Cruiser's Cove
Maxwell Bay—south shore from Noerenberg Bridge to Boy Scout Bridge and Noerenberg Inlet
St. Albans Bay—southwest corner
Wayzata Bay—southeast corner near Hwy 101 Causeway

CHANNEL AREAS

All channels between bays
Channels between Black/Emerald/Seton Lakes
Echo and Lafayette Bays—west end of Big Island by West Point
Lower Lake North—west side, northwest of Huntington Point and Arcola Bridge
Lower Lake North and Lafayette Bay—south of Huntington Point
Wayzata Bay—south side, north of Cedar Point east of Huntington Point

KEY DEFINITIONS

Quiet Water Areas

Established areas where motor-operated watercraft (including waterborne aircraft) cannot be operated in excess of 5 mph or at a speed that results in more than a minimum wake." Designated QWAs are delineated by waterway markers.

Watercraft

Any vessel, boat, sailboat, canoe, raft, barge, paddleboard, sailboard, or any similar device used or usable for carrying and transporting persons on the Lake.

Minimum Wake

The wave moving out from a watercraft and trailing in a widening 'V' of insufficient size to affect other watercraft or be detrimental to the shoreline.

Daytime

One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset—except when weather or other conditions do not provide sufficient light to see people or watercraft at a distance of 500 feet.



HEALTH & SAFETY AT THE LAKE

OWN YOUR WAKE-- FOR EVERYONE'S SAKE

Wakes present dangers to lake users and can damage property. Therefore, it is especially important that boaters be aware of their wakes and how it impacts the shorelines, other people, and the lake.



Under Minnesota law, the damage your wake causes is treated the same as damage caused by an actual collision. You may also be held **personally liable** for injuries or damage due to your wake.

Be aware of your environment and what's going on around you to prevent injuries or damage to the lake – this applies to everyone on and around the water.

Observe minimum wake zones. Further, if your wake is hitting the shoreline, other watercraft, or docks, move farther away or reduce your wake.

Please **respect the lake and rights of others** so everyone can enjoy their time on the water – keep the noise down, be courteous to other boaters, and show consideration to all recreationists on and around the water. Be extra aware of your wakes when operating near shore or when water levels are higher than usual. More information about reducing safety hazards and environmental damage is available at lmcd.org or mndnr.gov.

STAYING HEALTHY ON THE LAKE

MDH, Hennepin County, and the CDC offer some tips that everyone can take to minimize the risk of illness while enjoying the water and to keep the lake healthy for everyone. More information is available at health.state.mn.us.

Minimize the risk of illness

- Don't swallow the water
- Shower after swimming
- Avoid swimming after a rain event
- Avoid swimming near discharge pipes
- Avoid swimming if you see a blue-green algal bloom
- Wash your hands before eating

Help keep the lake healthy for everyone

- Stay out of the water if you have diarrhea
- Shower before swimming
- Don't go to the bathroom in the water
- Take frequent bathroom breaks
- Change diapers frequently and away from the water
- Dispose of trash, animal waste, raw meat juices, and boat waste properly



Please follow applicable State/Governor's Executive Orders regarding COVID-19 and any social distancing guidance.

TOP TEN SUMMER VIOLATIONS

The following are the most common boating violations observed by HCSO Water Patrol. Be mindful of the rules and use common sense so everyone can have a safe and enjoyable time on the lake.

1

LIFE JACKETS

One coast guard approved life jacket must be readily available for each person on board the watercraft. Watercraft measuring 16 or longer must also have a throwable flotation device. Children below the age of 10 must wear a life jacket while on a watercraft that is underway.

2

BOATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

Boating while under the influence of alcohol, or any other controlled or illegal substance.

3

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Boats with enclosed fuel tanks must have ventilation and fire extinguishers.

4

REGISTRATION

All motorized watercraft and unmotorized watercraft over 10 feet in length must be registered by the Department of Natural Resources.

5

RIDING ON GUNWALES OR DECKING

It is illegal to ride or sit on, or operate a motorboat while someone is riding or sitting on the gunwale, bow, transom, decking over the bow, side or stern while underway (unless it is equipped with an adequate railing).

6

OPERATING PERSONAL WATERCRAFT AFTER HOURS

Personal watercraft may only be operated from 9:30 a.m. until one hour before sunset, and no longer than 30 consecutive minutes in a single area.

7

QUIET WATERS/Minimum Wake Zones

Motor-operated watercraft (including waterborne aircraft) cannot be operated in excess of 5 mph or at a speed that results in more than a minimum wake in designated quiet water areas. See the summer rules brochure for a map of locations.

8

TOWING OBSERVER

In addition to the watercraft operator, an observer (not a rear-facing mirror) is required to continuously observe the person(s) being towed. The observer must be at least 12 years old and able to communicate with the driver.

9

NAVIGATIONAL LIGHTS

Proper navigational lights, including a red light to port, a green light to starboard, and a white light to stern, must be displayed when boating after sunset and before sunrise.

10

SPEED LIMITS

The daytime speed limit is 40 mph; the nighttime speed limit is 20 mph; the speed limit for Quiet Water Areas or within 150 of shoreline, docks, and swimmers is 5 mph.



UNIQUE LAKE REGULATIONS

BIG ISLAND PUBLIC SAFETY LANES

Public Safety Lanes are installed at the north end of Big Island to provide better access by the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office for emergency purposes. Buoys delineate these lanes and extend 600 feet from shore (visual reference when high water declaration in effect). Watercraft may not be anchored in these lanes, but may use for traveling.

BOW FISHING

Bowfishing is prohibited one half hour after sunset to sunrise, and from November 15th through May 1st. Bow fishing is also prohibited in designated areas and during specific dates and times. View the LMCD code for details.

SPECIAL "HIGH-WATER" DECLARATION

The LMCD may declare "High Water" when lake water levels reach 930.00 feet NGVD for a certain number of days or reach 930.25 feet. When "High Water" is declared, minimum wake restrictions are implemented for user safety and shoreline protection. During "High Water," watercraft must maintain minimum wake within 600 ft from shore for some bays and entirely for other bays, or otherwise directed. The Ordinary High Water level is 929.4 ft. Visit minnehahacreek.org or [@graysbaydam](https://graysbaydam.com) for the latest water levels. Updates will be provided at lmcd.org.



NEW FOR THE 2020 BOATING SEASON

MARINE TOILETS & WASTEWATER DISCHARGE

To prevent illnesses from the accidental or intentional discharge of sewage into the lake from watercraft, any watercraft operating on Lake Minnetonka must meet the following requirements:

- Macerator/grinder pumps must be removed, and,
- Discharge valves ("Y-valves") must be locked.



If the watercraft has been repiped to satisfy regulations on other waters, you may be in compliance.

Monitoring & Reporting

All boaters on Lake Minnetonka must comply with the ordinance. Lake service providers who launch watercraft or provide pumping services are required to report to the LMCD any situations where marine toilets do not comply with regulations and may not launch any watercraft in violation.

Penalty for Violating Ordinance

Any person launching a watercraft equipped with a marine toilet that is not following the ordinance is subject to a petty misdemeanor. **Due to COVID-19, make corrections if it can be completed safely with social distancing. Enforcement of all watercraft will begin 2021.**

[The LMCD Code and links to applicable state laws can be found on the LMCD website.](#)

TOWING (SKIING, WAKEBOARDING, WAKESURFING...)

NUMBER TOWED

No more than three persons may be towed at one time.



OBSERVER

In addition to the watercraft operator, an observer (not a rear-facing mirror) is required to continuously observe the person(s) being towed. The observer must be at least 12 years old and able to communicate with driver.

HOURS

Towing is prohibited from one-half hour after sunset until sunrise.

LIFE JACKETS

A person being towed must wear a life vest, belt, or other buoyant device. If the buoyant device is not U.S. Coast Guard-approved, a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket must also be on board and readily available to the person being towed.

LENGTH OF TOW

Maximum length of 85 ft (except with written permission of the Sheriff).

DISTANCE

Towing may not occur within 150 ft of a swim area, skin or scuba diver's flag, swimmer, watercraft, or dock or pier (except dock/pier where operating from).

EMPTY TOW

An unoccupied tow line may not be dragged behind a watercraft for an unreasonable length of time.

TOWING IN CHANNELS

No person shall tow or be towed into or through any marked channel connecting two bodies of water. It is unsafe.

SEE AND BE SEEN- Safety for Nonmotorized Watercraft

Whether operating in low light conditions or areas with powerboats, operators of **nonmotorized watercraft** should be extra cautious and take precautions to make themselves **BE SEEN** to other lake users to prevent accidents.

If you are kayaking, canoeing, or paddleboarding, some ways to become more visible include:

- Wear vibrant clothing
- Fly a flag
- Install a light
- Pay attention to lake conditions such as wakes, boat traffic, and weather

Powerboaters and larger boat operators should be aware of their surroundings and take measures to **SEE** smaller boats and nonmotorized watercraft on the lake. Avoid injuring other lake users by being courteous, reducing wakes, and increasing distance.



*Light and Flag
Combination
Improve Visibility*





YOUTH REGULATIONS

In addition to the **minimum age requirements for Minnesota youth operators**), State regulations for **Operator's Permits** are followed and vigorously enforced on Lake Minnetonka. What's more, **lake-wide curfew regulations** also apply.

Youth operators-- know the rules and keep your boating experience fun *and* safe!

CURFEW

Youth under the age of 15 may not be on a watercraft between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.—*unless accompanied by a parent or guardian*. Those between the ages of 15 and 17 must be supervised by a parent or guardian while on watercraft between the hours of 12 a.m. (midnight) and 6 a.m.

OPERATOR'S PERMIT

See page 6 and 7 for watercraft age restrictions and when a valid Watercraft Operator's Permit is required. Permits may be obtained by successfully completing an approved boating safety course—including the boater safety education course offered through the LMCD or one offered on-line by the MN DNR.



OPERATOR'S PERMIT & BOATING SAFETY COURSES

LMCD BOATER SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM

Funded through its Save the Lake Fund, the LMCD partners with the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Water Patrol and Mound Fire Department to offer the **Boater Safety Education Program**. Adults and youth (ages 12 to 17) work directly with presenters to obtain their MN DNR Watercraft Operator's Permit in a single full-day session. Parents and guardians are encouraged to attend to enhance the training. **Due to the COVID-19 situation, classes are temporarily suspended.** However, additional educational materials are being created for the website. Visit lmcd.org or call LMCD Office at 952-745-0789.

BOAT MINNESOTA: MN DNR'S ON-LINE BOATING SAFETY COURSE

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources offers an on-line Minnesota Watercraft Operator's Permit program for youth ages 12 to 17. Adults who want to learn more about boating safety or to enhance their current knowledge can also take the course. Some insurance companies offer premium discounts for such certification; check with your insurance company for participation and possible discounts. For more information visit the MN DNR site at mndnr.gov/boatingcourse.

STATE OF MINNESOTA AGE REGULATIONS

WATERCRAFT AGE MINIMUMS

Operators less than 12 years of age: 25 hp or less—no restrictions; more than 25 hp to 75hp must have someone at least 21 years of age on board and within reach of the controls; over 75 hp, cannot operate watercraft even with an adult on board

Operators 12 to 17 years of age: 25 hp or less—no restrictions; over 25 hp, must have either a valid Watercraft Operator's Permit or someone at least 21 years of age on board and within reach of the controls

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (PWC)-SPECIFIC AGE MINIMUMS

Operators less than 13 years of age: Cannot operate (even with an adult on board)

Operators 13 years of age: Must have someone at least 21 years of age on board or have a valid Watercraft Operator's Permit and be in visual supervision by someone at least 21 years of age

Operators 14 to 17 years of age: Must have a valid Watercraft Operator's Permit or someone on board who is 21 years of age

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (PWC) OPERATION & REGULATIONS

A personal watercraft (PWC) is a watercraft less than 14 feet in length that uses a motor powering a water jet pump as its primary source of power, and is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing or kneeling on, rather than the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the watercraft. This includes jet skis. The regulations for motorboats apply, in addition to specific PWC requirements.



AUTOMATIC CUTOFF DEVICES

If the machine is equipped by the manufacture with a lanyard-type engine cutoff switch, it must be attached to the person, life jacket or clothing of the operator when underway.

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

Lanyard-type engine cutoff switch cannot be altered, disabled or removed.

CARELESS OPERATION

A PWC may not be operated in a manner that unreasonably or unnecessarily endangers life, limb, or property (including weaving through congested boat traffic).

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

Includes swerving at the last moment to avoid a collision if you weren't paying attention.

PWC CONT...

HOURS OF OPERATION

9:30 am to one hour before sunset.

LIFE JACKETS

Anyone operating or riding on a PWC must wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved wearable life jacket that is compatible with that activity. Check the label.



TOWING

Operator must have an additional observer on board.

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

The observer must be 12 years or older. See page 10 for more towing information.

SPEED

PWC operators must travel at slow, no-wake speed (5 mph or less) within 150 ft of non-motorized boats, shore (unless launching or landing skiers directly to or from open water), docks, swim rafts, swimmers, or any moored or anchored boat.

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

Speed limit also applies to proximity to persons fishing, docks, or other water structures. Further, speed limit of 5 mph or no more than minimum wake between 150 ft and 300 ft of shoreline, unless PWC is being driven perpendicular to the shoreline, and to or from the nearest point of water 300 ft from the shoreline, or parallel to the shoreline from one location to another in non-repetitive manner.

WAKE JUMPING

Prohibited within 150 ft of another watercraft or PWC.

PROLONGED OPERATION

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

PWC may not be operated more than 30 consecutive minutes in a single area (defined as a small area where noise emanating from the PWC may be a nuisance or cause substantial annoyance to one or more shoreline properties).

RENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Businesses required to: 1) Distribute summary of laws free of charge (including instructions to laws and safety factors), 2) Provide required safety equipment, and 3) Ensure those less than 18 years of age show their Watercraft Operator's Permit.

ON LAKE MINNETONKA:

A PWC may not be rented to anyone less than 16 years of age. Further, a Watercraft Operator's Permit is required for all persons under 18 years of age.

The LMCD Code and links to applicable state laws can be found on the LMCD website.

CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS SAVE LIVES

Sophia's Law, named for a seven-year-old who died from carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning while boating on Lake Minnetonka, requires functioning marine-grade CO alarms on certain motorboats. Minnesota is the first state in the nation to require CO alarms in motorboats to prevent tragic accidents. To learn more about CO alarms, stickers, and when they are required, visit the MN DNR website:

dnr.state.mn.us/safety/boatwater.



BEWARE OF ESD ELECTRIC SHOCK DROWNING

ESD results from paralysis caused by electrical currents in the water—by electricity leaking into the water from faulty wiring of boats, docks, and lifts. ESD kills both humans and animals. There are many ways to prevent ESD. The most important way to stay safe is to **never enter water around boats and docks using electrical power**. For more information, visit electricshockdrowning.org or links on the LMCD website. Also, learn about new electrical code requirements (NFPA 70) for marinas, commercial and noncommercial docking facilities, and residential docks.

FIRE PREVENTION & SAFETY

Safe Refueling

Before fueling make sure all passengers have exited the boat and all doors, ports, and hatches are closed to prevent fumes from accumulating. Do not operate any electrical switches, chargers, or other electrical items while refueling or before the fumes dissipate. When you are done fueling, wipe up spilled fuel and be sure to operate the boat's blowers for several minutes to diffuse any lingering fumes. Learn more at <https://lmcd.org/lake-safety>.

Regular Inspection & Maintenance

Many boat fires begin from electrical malfunctions. Regular inspection of engines for damage and timely replacement of critical parts could prevent a considerable amount of boat fires. Check newly purchased boats thoroughly.

If Your Boat Catches Fire

If the size of the fire is beyond what a single portable extinguisher can put out, evacuate and call for professional firefighters. **Your life is infinitely more valuable than your boat.**

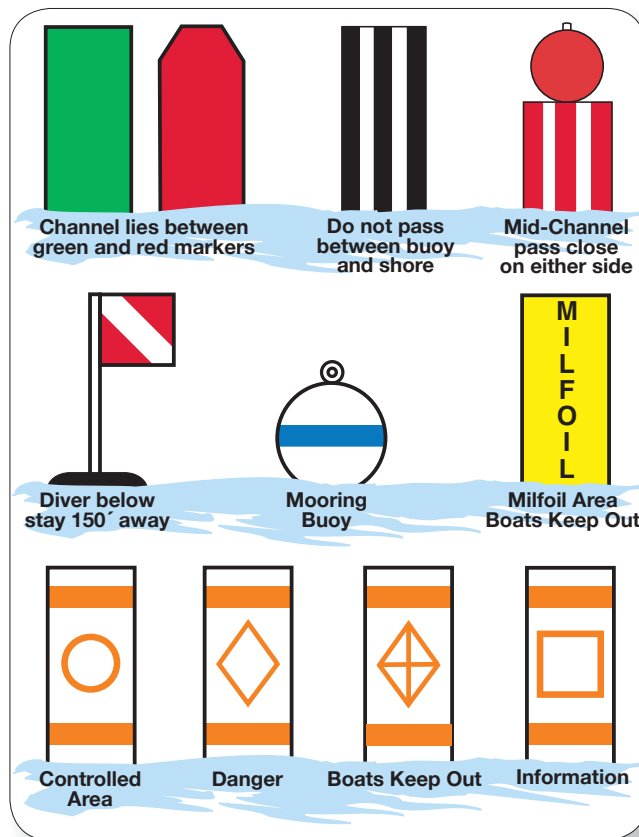




KNOW YOUR MARKERS/BUOYS BEFORE YOU SET SAIL!

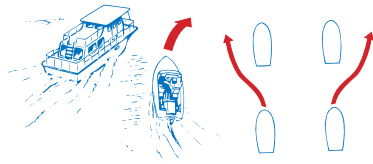
Comprehensive boating safety information, regulations and tips—including details on all inland waterway markers—can be found on the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' website at mndnr.gov/boatingsafety. Inland markers are used to: help boaters safely navigate channels; direct traffic; control speeds; protect resources; and identify dangerous waterways/areas.

Minnesota Inland Waterway Markers



Graphic source: mndnr.gov

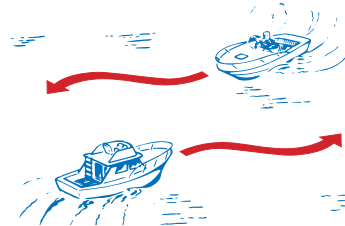
1 WHEN OVERTAKING- When overtaking another vessel, pass when safe.



When watercraft are running the same direction, the craft that is astern must pass only when there is sufficient distance between the craft so it can do so safely and only at such speed that its wash or wake will not endanger the craft being passed or its occupants. No person operating a watercraft may abruptly change its course without first determining that it can be done safely and without risk of collision.

Although the smaller craft has moved up into the overtaken vessel's "danger zone", the relative right-of-way has not changed. She is still burdened and must make any necessary course and/or speed changes to pass safely.

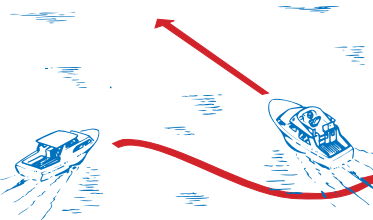
2 APPROACHING- When approaching head-on or nearly so, pass to the right.



When watercraft are approaching each other head-on, or nearly so, each must turn to the right a sufficient distance so that they will safely pass. When the course of an approaching craft is so far to the right as not to be considered as meeting head-on, each must maintain its course and pass clear.

In a nearly head-on meeting situation, both vessels must give way to starboard; neither has the right-of-way.

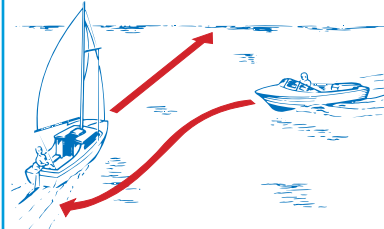
3 CROSSING- When crossing, yield to the vessel on your right.



When watercraft are crossing paths, or approaching each other obliquely or at right angles at the risk of collision, the craft that has the other on its right must yield the right-of-way.

In an encounter between two vessels where one has the right-of-way over the other, both have responsibilities. Not only must the burdened vessels give way, the privileged vessel has the duty of maintaining its course and speed.

4 SAILBOATS- Yield to sailboats, except when they are overtaking.



Sailboats under sail alone have the right-of-way over all other watercraft underway, except when overtaking other watercraft.

Any sailboat under power of a motor (with or without sails) is considered a power-driven vessel and must obey the same rules as other power-driven watercraft.



COMMON STATE & LAKE MINNETONKA REGULATIONS

SAFETY

LIFE JACKETS

Readily accessible and wearable approved life jacket for each person must be on board a boat, paddleboard, and other watercraft. Some inflatable life jackets (automatic or manual) are not considered valid PFDs unless being worn. All **children under the age of 10 years** are required to wear life jackets while watercraft are underway. One **Type IV throwable** is required on boats 16 ft or longer (except canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards) and must be immediately available. All PWC operators and passengers must wear life jackets.

RIDING ON GUNWALES OR DECKING

It is illegal to ride or sit on, or operate a motorboat while someone is riding or sitting on the gunwale, bow, transom, decking over the bow, side or stern while underway (unless it is equipped with an adequate railing).

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Fire extinguishers, horns, marine-grade carbon monoxide detectors (for specified watercraft), and lighting must be in compliance with State law.

UNDER THE INFLUENCE

"Little Alan's Law" went into effect Aug. 1, 2018. Drivers convicted of DWI will face additional consequences such as criminal penalties, civil litigation, and other liabilities regardless the type of vehicle they were driving at the time. Boating while under the influence of alcohol, or any other controlled or illegal substance, is illegal. The Minnesota alcohol concentration level for impaired operation is 0.08. Designate a captain for safety. Underage drinking is also strictly enforced. Watercraft owners or operators may be held liable for violations.

WASH AND WAKE

It is a violation to operate a watercraft in a manner that its wash and wake will endanger, harass, or unnecessarily interfere with any person or property.



CHANNELS & NAVIGATION

No person may interfere or block navigation of watercraft, moor, or otherwise create safety hazards in channels or public passageways. Swimming, jumping from bridges, or overtaking boats in channels is also prohibited.

COMMON REGULATIONS CONTINUED...

NUISANCES

PUBLIC NUISANCES

No person may commit or engage in any activity that constitutes a public nuisance—including excess noise, inappropriate behavior, indecent exposure, etc.

LITTERING

Littering on Lake Minnetonka is illegal. Carry out what you carry in. Please be kind and remove any litter you notice.

PLAN AHEAD FOR SANITATION

If bathroom facilities are not available on the watercraft, find a location with public facilities.

EQUIPMENT NOISE

All watercraft motors must have a muffler, underwater exhaust, or other device that suppresses the sound of the motor to levels consistent with State law.

QUIET HOURS

Sound travels easily across the lake. Noise must not unreasonably disturb the peace, quiet or comfort of anyone nearby. Between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. sound from any device plainly audible at a distance of 150 feet is a violation of LMCD Code.

RESTRICTED ACCESS TO DOCKS & SHORELAND

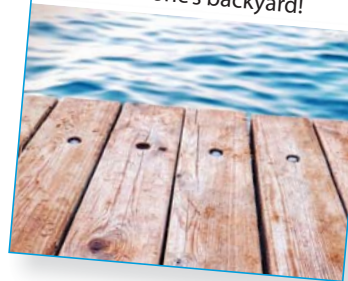
Lake Minnetonka has several public accesses, commercial marinas, and transient docks for use by the general public. However, some multiple dock facilities are intended for the exclusive use of their tenants. Further, other docks and shoreland are private property with restricted access. Please respect nonpublic docks and do not trespass.

LIGHTING

All watercraft must display the proper navigation lights when underway or in use between sunset and sunrise.

**PLEASE REMEMBER
TO BE COURTEOUS OF
LAKESHORE OWNERS!**

Many residents live on Lake Minnetonka. When you recreate on or around the Lake, you are having fun near someone's backyard!



The LMCD Code and links to applicable state laws can be found on the LMCD website.



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS! IT'S THE LAW.

Lake Minnetonka currently has identified five Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) in its waters—the zebra mussel, Eurasian watermilfoil, curly-leaf pondweed, flowering rush and purple loosestrife. **Help keep other AIS out of Lake Minnetonka by taking the following steps.**

CLEAN

Clean visible aquatic plants, zebra mussels and/or other prohibited invasive species off all watercraft, trailers, and water-related equipment *before* leaving a water access or shoreland property. **It is illegal to transport aquatic plants, zebra mussels or other prohibited species—dead or alive.**

SPRAY

Use a high-pressure washer to spray down your watercraft and equipment.

RINSE

Rinse with very hot water whenever possible—using water at 120° F for at least two minutes (or 140° F for at least 10 seconds) kills zebra mussels and some other AIS.

DRAIN

Drain water-related equipment (boat, trailer, ballast tanks, portable bait containers, motor) and drain bilge, livewell and baitwell by removing drain plugs *before* leaving a water access or shoreline property. **Keep drain plugs out and water-draining devices open while transporting watercraft.** It is illegal to transport a watercraft or water-related equipment without draining water.

DRY

Allow your watercraft or equipment to dry for at least five days whenever possible.

RUN THE MOTOR

Discharge all water by running your motor (or personal watercraft) for a few seconds *before* leaving a water access.

DISPOSE

Be prepared! Transport your catch in a cooler. Dispose of unwanted bait—including minnows, leeches, worms, and fish parts in the trash. If you want to keep live bait, drain bait containers and refill with bottled or purified tap water. **It is illegal to release bait into the water or release worms onto the ground.**



Curly-leaf pondweed,
Potamogeton crispus



Zebra mussel, *Dreissena polymorpha*



Eurasian Watermilfoil,
Myriophyllum spicatum

YOU CAN DO EVEN MORE TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AIS



Be on the lookout for Starry stonewort and other aquatic invasive species threats.



BE AN AIS SLEUTH

Since Lake Minnetonka is a regional and national recreation destination, the risk of exposure to a variety of AIS threats is high. AIS damage the ecology of the lake, enjoyment of recreation, economics of the area, and is a significant financial burden to manage.

Learn about AIS management on Lake Minnetonka and report any suspicious aquatic vegetation or animals at lmcd.org or call 952-745-0789.

AIS Detector Opportunities

If you would like to connect your love of lakes with meaningful ways to protect them, consider AIS Detectors training sponsored by the University of Minnesota Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center (MAISRC). For more information, visit maisrc.umn.edu/ais-detectors or contact the LMCD.

KNOW THE LAW!

YOU MAY NOT...

- Transport watercraft without removing the drain plug
- Arrive at a lake access with a drain plug in place
- Transport aquatic plants, or prohibited invasive species. Learn more at mndnr.gov
- Launch a watercraft with prohibited species attached
- Transport water from Minnesota lakes or rivers; or release bait into water.

There are many regulated species—such as spiny waterfleas, saucet snails, ruffe round goby, rusty crayfish, and mystery snails—that cannot be released into another body of water.

What's more, **docks, structures, and boatlifts must be dried for 21 days before placing in another body of water.** Violating these regulations may result in fines up to \$1,000.



LAKE MINNETONKA SUMMER RULES RESOURCES & LINKS



Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)

5341 Maywood Road, Suite 200
Mound, MN 55364

Office: 952-745-0789 Fax: 952-745-9085
Email: lmcd@lmcd.org Website: lmcd.org

Connect with us at:  /LakeMinnetonkaConservationDistrict

 @LakeMtkCD

- Licensing and surface regulations
- Docks, structures, and watercraft storage
- Public navigation harvesting program
- Boater safety course
- Solar lights program
- Some services funded by SAVE the LAKE Fund contributions



Hennepin County Sheriff's Office (HCSO)

Water Patrol Unit
4141 Shoreline Drive
Spring Park, MN 55384

EMERGENCY or Officer Assistance: Call 911

Non-Emergency 24/7: 763-525-6216 Office: 612-596-9880
Website: HennepinSheriff.org/water-patrol

- Patrol and enforcement of State and LMCD laws on Lake Minnetonka
- Emergency and rescue operations
- Special events



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MNDNR)

Conservation Officers
500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155

DNR Information Center: 651-296-6157 or
888-MINNDNR (646-6367)

Officer Locator: mndnr.gov/officerpatrolareas
Website: mndnr.gov

- Boating and fishing regulations and enforcement
- AIS prevention and management



MARINE TOILETS AND SEWAGE DISCHARGE

Lake Minnetonka

In response to illnesses over 2019's Fourth of July holiday, the **Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)** adopted an ordinance to reinforce and clarify existing regulations banning sewage discharge in Lake Minnetonka. Being that Lake Minnetonka is one of the largest and busiest lakes in Minnesota, it is especially important to take additional steps to reduce the risk of illness outbreaks.

STAY HEALTHY ON THE LAKE

For tips about staying healthy on the lake and helping to keep the lake healthy for everyone else, visit lmcd.org.

The LMCD thanks you for your cooperation in helping to keep Lake Minnetonka a fun and safe place to be.



Lake Minnetonka Conservation District
5341 Maywood Rd, Mound, MN 55364

lmcd.org | 952-745-0789 | lmcd@lmcd.org

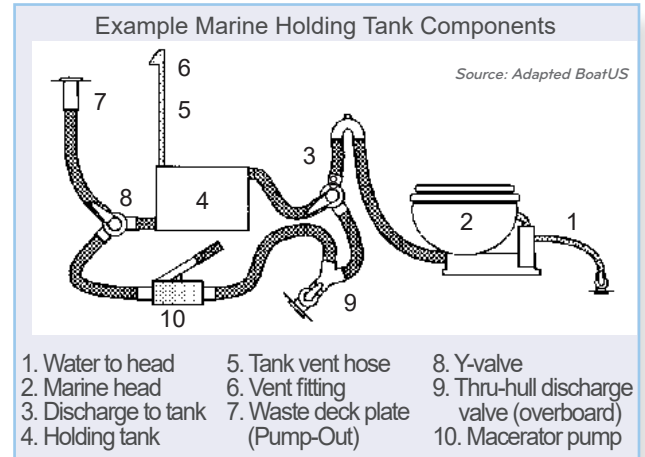
LakeMinnetonkaConservationDistrict

LakeMtnkaCD

ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS

The ordinance requires that for any watercraft operating on Lake Minnetonka:

- The macerator/grinder pumps must be removed, and
- The discharge valves ("Y-valves") must be locked to prevent accidental or intentional discharge of sewage.



If your watercraft has been re-piped to satisfy sewage discharge regulations on other waters, you may already be in compliance with the Lake Minnetonka ordinance.



MONITORING AND REPORTING

All boaters on Lake Minnetonka must comply with the ordinance. Lake service providers who launch watercrafts or provide pumping services are required to report to the LMCD any situations where marine toilets do not comply with regulations. They may not launch any watercraft in violation of these rules.

PENALTY FOR VIOLATING ORDINANCE

The discharge of sewage or waste into the lake continues to be a violation and is subject to a misdemeanor. Any person launching a watercraft equipped with a marine toilet that is not in compliance with the ordinance is subject to a petty misdemeanor. **Due to COVID-19 social distancing guidelines in 2020, pumps should be removed if they can be removed safely. Enforcement of all watercraft will begin in 2021.**

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Minnesota State Statute 86B.325

This information is provided as a guide. For specific requirements, please refer to **LMCD code section 11-1.01 Subd. 1 to 5** and other sections, available on the LMCD website.



SAVE THE LAKE

DO YOU REMEMBER SIMPLER TIMES? SO DO WE

ITEM 15

DEAR FRIENDS OF LAKE MINNETONKA:

With the onslaught of the COVID-19 Pandemic, its social distancing and "Stay at Home" direction from state and federal leadership, Lake Minnetonka has witnessed greatly expanded use this Spring. The opportunity to get outdoors with plenty of open space brings with it the need to increase efforts to provide a safe and healthy experience for all. Through unselfish common sense and increased Water Patrol coverage we can continue to **keep Lake Minnetonka a safe environment**. But, **we need your help!** Your support helps directly fund dedicated patrol and emergency services, solar lights for channel buoys, boater safety classes for youth, and more!

Whether you are a lakeshore owner, a sports person or family, or lake enthusiast, you understand the importance of protecting this magnificent resource. If you have been a contributor in the past, we ask you to consider increasing your level of giving. If you have not contributed before, we encourage you to contribute now to **ensure Lake Minnetonka continues to be a treasure for all, this year and for the future.**

On behalf of the LMCD and the Lake, we thank you for your support. Be safe and well.

Daniel Baasen, Save the Lake Chair

Gregg Thomas, LMCD Chair

Join SAVE the LAKE's mission to keep Lake Minnetonka safe and healthy.

Giving Made Simpler

Online Giving

lmcd.org/Save-the-Lake
(PayPal)

Mail a Contribution

LMCD Save the Lake
5341 Maywood Rd, Ste 200
Mound, MN 55364

Matching Contribution

Double or triple the impact of your gift through company matching grant programs. Check with your Human Resources or visit **Benevity.com**.

Corporate & Foundation Giving

Partner on research, implementation, and outreach initiatives. Contact us regarding opportunities.

Learn more about LMCD - lmcd.org,
(952)745-0789, or lmcd@lmcd.org.



My Contribution:

My check in the amount:

- ☐ \$25
- ☐ \$50* ☐ Yes, send me floating key chain
- ☐ \$100* ☐ Yes, send me collectible burgee
- ☐ \$250* ☐ Yes, send me throwable cushion
- ☐ \$1,000* ☐ Yes, send me gift
- ☐ Other _____

☐ No gift, please apply all of the contribution to Save the Lake

Thank You Gift:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Email: _____

Comment: _____

Please make checks payable to LMCD SAVE the LAKE or give online at www.lmcd.org/Save-the-Lake.

*Upon request, contributions of \$50 are eligible for floating key chain, \$100 for a collectible burgee and contributions of \$250 or more a throwable life preserver cushion. (While supplies last)