

**LAKE MINNETONKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

6:30 P.M., April 14, 2021
Virtual

WORK SESSION

6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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; Mark Kroll, Excelsior; Denny Newell, Woodland; 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: Dennis Klohs, Minnetonka Beach; and Nicole Stone, Minnetonka.

Persons in Audience: Eric Evenson; and, Erik Forsberg.

The following usernames were also present, but the person(s) did not identify themselves: Janice; and, Richard.

1. Board Director Self-Evaluation Review

Thomas stated that at the last meeting there was direction to reopen the Board survey in order to gather additional input from Board members. He noted that two additional responses were gained during that time. He stated that when he reviewed the results, he tried to identify questions that had at least two members that disagreed. He reviewed those questions and provided additional explanation that could perhaps help to clarify those responses that disagreed.

Anderson asked if the Board selects the auditor or whether the firm assigns an auditor.

Schleuning commented that the LMCD and Board select the firm and the firm assigns an auditor.

Anderson commented that he thinks the new setup for the committees has been great and very productive.

Thomas continued to review the questions with responses that he identified for follow up. He stated that perhaps the Communications Committee could help to develop a consistent "elevator speech" for the Board.

Hoelscher confirmed that she would place that on the agenda for the next committee meeting.

Anderson referenced the scoring system and asked for clarification.

Schleuning explained how the scoring system was used.

Thomas noted that the Operations Committee will be reviewing this information in conjunction with strategic planning. He commented that in general the scores were good, and he will continue to look at

ways in which the Board can improve.

Newell commented that he was happy that each Board member is participating in at least one committee. He stated that he would hope for increased participation in the survey completion next year in order to provide direction moving forward.

Thomas agreed that he would encourage 100 percent participation, but noted that regardless of the participation level, they would continue to bring the results back to the Board at a workshop in order for everyone to have the opportunity to review the results and provide comments.

The work session was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: Dennis Klohs, Minnetonka Beach.

Persons in Audience: John Bendt; August Bruggeman; Eric Evenson; Erik Forsberg; Dave Hemink; Mark Kozikowski; Representative Kelly Morrison; Tom Shaver; Jay Soule; Andrew Spilseth; Jack Trautz; Kelly Wischmeier; Shawn Wischmeier.

The following usernames were also present, but the person(s) did not identify themselves: Janice; Me; Rob; Richard; and, Scott.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Baasen 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	absent
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

Motion carried unanimously.

5. CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thomas commented that there are five Standing Committees that have been established, which are subject to the open meeting law. He commented that members of the Board need to refrain from sending out emails or communicate with a quorum of a Committee or the Board. He stated that it is important to remain in compliance with the open meeting law. He noted that if something needs to be communicated to the committee or full Board, it should go through staff and provided additional explanation on that process.

Anderson asked if it is okay to blind copy emails to members of the Board, as that prevents a reply all scenario.

Thomas confirmed that would be fine.

6. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

A) Representative Kelly Morrison

Hoelscher introduced Representative Kelly Morrison, reviewing the area she represents and providing background information on the representative and her committee assignments.

Representative Morrison commented that she represents many of the communities that surround Lake Minnetonka and therefore is happy to be here tonight to speak with the group. She welcomed any questions the Board may have.

Thomas stated that the intent is to establish a working relationship with the representatives of the Lake Minnetonka area. He commented that it does not seem that any of the bills that could impact Lake Minnetonka have gained much traction and asked for any updates.

Representative Morrison provided additional details on the bill she proposed related to increasing the three-year fee for watercraft registration in order to provide more funding to prevent the spread of AIS. She stated that the bill has been included for review later this session. She stated that the other potential bills were not included in an omnibus bills thus far and therefore should not have much traction this session.

Newell commented that he likes the work Representative Morrison is doing towards AIS. He asked if she was aware of the statewide survey that was completed by the University of Minnesota through discussion

with boaters, noting that a significant number of boaters indicated that they were willing to pay an additional fee in order to improve the overall boating experience.

Anderson provided additional information on the issue with ethanol in boat use.

Representative Morrison provided her contact information and welcomed any future communication from the members of the Board or other constituents. She thanked the Board for their service.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- 03/24/2021 LMCD Regular Board Meeting

MOTION: Baasen moved, Brandt seconded to approve the 03/24/2021 LMCD Regular Board Meeting minutes as submitted.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Kroll moved, Zorn seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items so approved included: **7A)** Audit of Vouchers (04/01/2021 – 04/15/2021); and **7B)** Resolution Accepting Save the Lake Contributions (03/11/2021 – 04/05/2021).

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye
Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye

Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	absent
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	aye

Motion carried unanimously.

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

There were no public comments.

10. PUBLIC HEARING

A) Public Hearing for New Multiple Dock License Application for Reconfiguration of a Non-Conforming Structure, Classification Change to Add Transient BSUs, and Reaffirm Existing Variance for Caribbean Marina & Restaurant, 135 Lakeview Avenue et al, Tonka Bay, MN, 55331, Lower Lake South

M. Cook presented a request for a Multiple Dock License and reaffirmation of an existing variance for the Caribbean Marina and Restaurant. He provided background information on the site and request. He explained that the installation of the 2019 approval is not yet complete, and the applicant proposes the interim layout for 2021 and a final layout for 2022 that have the same overall footprint of the 2019 approval. He stated that this would propose to split some approved slips into smaller slips within the preserved maximums for reconfigured nonconforming structure on site. He stated that this would also propose the conversion of five slips to transient. He reviewed an aerial photograph and site plan and reviewed the elements proposed within the reconfiguration. He noted that no changes are proposed to the existing variance, simply reaffirmation. He reviewed the standard criteria that is reviewed for a Multiple Dock License. He also reviewed the comments received from the other public agencies and members of the public. He stated that staff recommends approval and reviewed the recommended conditions.

Baasen thanked staff for the thorough presentation. He asked if this work would be fair and reasonable to the 2019 application.

M. Cook confirmed that this is a straightforward proposal working within the reconfiguration.

Anderson asked to see the approved license for 2020, including the BSUs requested at that time. He asked the current density and whether that would change with the new plan. He referenced the recommended condition to not use the staging area and asked for clarification related to the fencing. He referenced the dimension of the slips and asked if the smaller slips would each hold one jet ski.

M. Cook commented that the smaller slips would each hold one jet ski per BSU. He compared the number of BSUs from the different years and compared to the number allowed under the license. He stated that the approval from 2019 allowed two seasons for installation. He stated that the WSU fees typically increase

based on the width of the slip, therefore the fee paid prior to 2019 for more BSUs was smaller than the fee paid for lesser BSUs in 2019.

Anderson commented that the WSUs is not the issue. He stated that the issue is the number of boats on the water. He asked if the applicant had 116 BSUs in 2020 and is proposing 134 BSUs this year.

M. Cook commented that he did not inspect the site last year for the actual number of BSUs.

Anderson commented that he does not have an issue with 134 BSUs this year and would be okay with 127 BSUs in 2022 as long as there is only one jet ski per slip. He asked and received confirmation that the density rate would be established and maintained in 2022.

Kirkwood referenced the end of B dock, which would be the entrance point for the transient slip and asked if there would be clear markings for boaters to identify that entrance area with minimal need to maneuver and find a slip.

M. Cook encouraged the Board to ask that of the applicant.

Thomas invited the applicant to address the Board.

Shawn Wischmeier, applicant, commented that they will have approved signage up for transient slips. He stated that there will also be gas dock attendants at that location to monitor and ensure safe docking. He stated that the purpose of having those slips on B dock would be to allow easy access to the bathrooms and restaurant without walking through other areas of the marina. He thanked the Board and staff for consideration as they hope to complete construction during this season.

Thomas opened the public hearing. No comments were offered, and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Anderson made a motion to direct LMCD legal counsel to prepare Findings of Fact and Order approving the multiple dock license and variance applications from Caribbean Marina and Restaurant for the property located at 135 Lakeview Avenue, 100 Sunrise Avenue, and 110 Sunrise Avenue in Tonka Bay for final action at the April 28, 2021 LMCD Board meeting subject to the recommended conditions by staff and requirement for continued fencing.

Further discussion: Thomas asked staff to provide clarification on the recommended conditions.

M. Cook stated that Anderson would propose to add a fence near the highlighted dock.

Anderson commented that the emergency dock is at the gas dock.

Wischmeier commented that this was a drafting oversight and should have been removed from the 2019 plan.

Schleuning commented that there is a fence or barrier requirement extending from the eastern part of E dock and Anderson would propose to continue that to the front of the large platform.

Walesch asked if staff recommends the condition suggested by Anderson and whether the applicant also agrees.

Thomas commented that he did not believe staff recommended that barrier on the north end of what is labeled as staging.

M. Cook confirmed that was added by Anderson.

Wischmeier commented that they have no desire to do anything special with that. He stated that in terms of visibility into the lake he would prefer to not have fencing but would comply with requirements.

Schleuning stated that roping was discussed as a barrier and staff would support that. She stated that it can be done attractively and still be a visible barrier.

Thomas referenced A dock and asked for clarification to what is written.

M. Cook clarified that reads proposed dock.

Thomas asked the rationale of putting a barrier on the dock labeled staging dock, that should not be labeled in that area, or placing one on the proposed dock.

Anderson stated that there is a recommendation to remove the label of staging area and the barrier would prevent the area from being used for staging.

Thomas clarified that staff did not recommend putting a barrier up on the dock labeled as staging area and only recommended removing the label of staging area.

Schleuning commented that what Anderson is saying that he would like the barrier continued around front to ensure people do not use that as a staging area. She stated that staff would support that additional condition for barrier, noting that it does not necessarily have to be fencing.

Walesch asked for clarification on the added condition.

Anderson commented that he would continue the language used for the east side to encompass the staging platform on the end of the dock.

MOTION: Anderson moved, Walesch seconded to direct LMCD legal counsel to prepare Findings of Fact and Order approving the multiple dock license and variance applications from Caribbean Marina and Restaurant for the property located at 135 Lakeview Avenue, 100 Sunrise Avenue, and 110 Sunrise Avenue in Tonka Bay for final action at the April 28, 2021 LMCD Board meeting subject to the recommended conditions by staff and to continue the language used for the east side barrier condition to encompass the staging platform on the end of the dock.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye

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

Motion carried unanimously.

B) Public Hearing for New Multiple Dock License for Reclassification to a Qualified Commercial Marina for Tom Shaver of Inland Development Partners (The Yacht Club), 4165 Shoreline Drive, Spring Park, MN, 55384, Spring Park Bay

M. Cook presented an application for a Multiple Dock License at 4165 Shoreline Drive in Spring Park. He provided background information on the site noting that the applicant requests to change the classification from club to qualified commercial marina. He reviewed an aerial photograph of the site, the existing site plan and proposed site plan. He reviewed the multiple dock criteria. He noted that no agency comments were received and reviewed the comments received by members of the public. He stated that staff recommends approval with standard license conditions.

Hughes asked if there is anything related to portable bathrooms that could be used on land.

M. Cook commented that it is his understanding that the bathroom facilities would be located in the building and would be available Monday through Friday during business hours and to members only on weekends.

Walesch commented that this looks to be a straightforward request and makes sense.

Hughes asked if there is a general comment or feeling that all public facilities should have portable bathrooms available.

M. Cook stated that he is unaware of a mandatory requirement and noted that bathrooms are available at the neighboring water patrol site.

Schleuning stated that there is a requirement to have a means of sanitation for clients, which will be provided. She stated that they discussed general public amenities and as stated there is a transient dock at the neighboring water patrol site with public bathrooms.

Kirkwood asked if there is a transient slip if someone wanted to use the bathroom.

M. Cook commented that there is not currently a transient slip proposed.

Schleuning commented that two sites over at the water patrol site there are available public restrooms.

Kirkwood asked what would be involved in the applicant wanted to go out 200 feet.

M. Cook commented that the applicant would need to come back to the Board.

Schleuning commented that part of that review would be whether it would be reasonable, necessary and impact to navigation for neighboring properties.

Kirkwood asked if the LMCD is actively trying to control the number of boats on the lake.

Schleuning commented that there are density requirements, and the site already has the density of a qualified commercial marina, therefore additional BSUs could not be added.

Thomas invited the applicant to address the Board.

Tom Shaver, applicant, stated that staff did an excellent job reviewed and presenting the request. He stated that they are in the process of acquiring the property and refreshing it noticed the license it out of sync and are simply trying to align the license with the use. He stated that there will be FOB security access into the building for the customers to access the building and use the restrooms outside of business hours.

Thomas commented that the applicant is not requesting transient docks, therefore general members of the public cannot dock and access this facility.

Baasen stated that it his understanding that the group is purchasing the building and marina.

Mr. Shaver confirmed that they are purchasing the building and marina.

Thomas opened the public hearing.

Mark Kozkowski, owner of Minnetonka Edgewater Apartments, stated that they have some concerns going from the current configuration to a qualified commercial marina. He was concerned that there would be more boats and bigger boats and that once approved the configuration could extend out to 200 feet from shore. He commented that if approved he would assume the applicant would come back to extend their area further from shore. He stated that if extended to 200 feet that would impact the view of the units in his building. He stated that today they have noise from the site and can see some of the slips. He realized that the request meets the setbacks, but he simply wants to protect his investment and the enjoyment of his residents.

Cheri Louck, Minnetonka Edgewater Apartment resident, commented that she lives in a unit close to the docks and noted that over the years the people that have rented slips have been quiet. She stated that people that do not live on a lake often do not realize that water amplifies sound. She stated that there have been times when the noise has been disruptive as she lives and works at her home. She asked if there would be guidelines to ensure customers are respectful of the neighbors in terms of noise.

Thomas commented that there are noise ordinances as well as ordinance guiding against lewd behavior. He stated that this site also neighbors the Hennepin County Sheriff Water Patrol site.

Janice Springer, Minnetonka Edgewater Apartment resident, commented that she shares the concerns of the previous resident. She stated that she is concerned with what would happen if this extended out to 200 feet. She stated that she is also concerned with the loss of vegetation and would want to see the vegetation on the west side of the building remain.

Thomas commented that the LMCD has no land jurisdiction and therefore that would be between the resident and applicant and/or city.

Ms. Louck commented that the proximity to the Water Patrol site has not been a deterrent to bad behavior.

No additional comments were offered, and the public hearing was closed.

Schleuning stated that the applicant is attempting to match the license to the use. She stated that because of the density a qualified commercial marina was recommended. She stated that any change to lengthening would require a new application with additional considerations.

MOTION: Walesch moved, Baasen seconded to direct LMCD legal counsel to prepare Findings of Fact and Order approving the multiple dock license applications from Tom Shaver of Inland Development Partners for the property located at 4165 Shoreline Drive in Spring Park for final action at the April 28, 2021 LMCD Board meeting.

Further discussion: Anderson asked where the east property extension line is and how far the setback would be.

M. Cook identified the property line and stated that currently there is a 42 feet setback and a larger setback on the other side.

Anderson asked the legal setback if the applicant extended to 200 feet.

M. Cook replied that a 20-foot setback would be required after 100 feet.

Anderson commented that if the dock were angled to extend to 200 feet, 20 feet from the neighboring property line, it would remove the structure out of the view from the apartments. He believed that the applicant will eventually request to go to 200 feet.

Thomas stated that the Board needs to consider the application in front of them.

Anderson commented that he could bring that comment forward if a request comes forward for 200 feet in the future.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson aye

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

Motion carried unanimously.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

12. OLD BUSINESS

A) Resolution Authorizing Sale of LMCD Harvesting Equipment

Schleuning reported that all the requirements were followed for the sale of the harvesting equipment through sealed bid process. She thanked the work group that assisted in the sale of the equipment and attempting to find interested buyers. She stated that one bid was received in the amount of \$20,100 with the condition that the equipment remain on the lot for one year. She asked whether the Board wanted to accept that as a qualified bid, noting that the bidder did not technically meet all the bidding requirements. She stated that another offer was received outside of the bidding timeframe and sealed bid process in the amount of \$30,000 for three of the units with a similar timeframe to keep the equipment on the lot for up to one year. She stated that the other three pieces of equipment could be taken to the scrapyards. She stated that if the Board wants to choose that route, it would need to determine no qualified bids were received. She stated that if the Board wanted to accept the \$30,000, an offer would need to be extended to the email bidder to see if they would want to match that bid. She stated that the emailed bid is from Indiana and the second offer is from Wisconsin.

Cook commented that he has a strong interest in getting rid of this issue and equipment.

MOTION: Cook moved, Hoelscher seconded to adopt Resolution No. 219 Authorizing the Sale of LMCD Harvesting Equipment or Other Form of Liquidation with the following changes: a whereas statement should be added stating that a bid was received that was deemed unqualified by staff as it was emailed and not received in a sealed bid process; and replace the now be it resolved statement with, the Board authorizes staff to waive all technicalities and irregularities with the bid received and award the contract to the emailed bid; in the event those negotiations are

unsuccessful, staff has the authority to negotiate directly with others to arrange the sale of equipment or use other methods of liquidating the equipment.

Further discussion: Walesch referenced the statement that the buyers would like the equipment to remain on the lot for one year and asked when payment would be received.

Schleuning commented that will be part of the negotiation but believed payment would occur upfront. She noted that insurance would also need to be put on the equipment and those details would be worked out in the agreement.

Walesch stated that he would support the action as long as payment is received, and the equipment is not the responsibility of the LMCD.

Anderson commented that the bid states that payment must be received and there must be licensed transporters. He noted that this buyer has licensed and bonded transporters.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Thomas thanked the members of the work group, Schleuning, and Gilchrist for all the work they put into this process.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A) Executive Director Salary Adjustment 2021

Thomas stated that he included a proposal to adjust the Executive Director salary by three percent.

Anderson stated that this was discussed in the Officers meeting and provided additional details on that discussion. He stated that at three percent per year for five years that would exceed the \$110,000 maximum

for the position.

Thomas commented that when Schleuning was retained, the group that prepared the job description and assisted with the recruiting process suggested that maximum salary, but he believes that maximum should be increased each year by the CPI. He stated therefore if the CPI increases each year, the salary maximum would increase comparatively.

Baasen commented that this is not a five-year plan. He stated that perhaps Anderson was looking at what would happen in five years and if that maximum would be reached. He stated that salary adjustments are reviewed on an annual basis in terms of the position, employees, and agency. He stated that the Officers were comfortable recommending three percent for this year.

Gilchrist commented that the salary range was put in place when the position was advertised and does not remain in place to guide future adjustments. He stated that there is a State cap for a public employee that is currently around \$178,000.

MOTION: Walesch moved, Stone seconded to approve the annual base wage adjustment for the Executive Director in 2021 at a rate of 3.00 percent retroactive to January 1, 2021.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

14. TREASURER REPORT

Anderson stated that he would like to provide a quarterly report at the next meeting. He provided an overview of recent discussions of the Finance Committee and upcoming budgeting and finance related discussions and considerations.

Walesch stated that the budget number should be placed in column A, the reserve amount in column B, 35 percent could be reflected in column C, and excess dollars could be in column D. He stated that would be

easy to show how a 35 percent reserve budget would be reflected. He stated that there could then be a separate discussions on how the funds could be used. He believed that if everyone could see those figures, he would suspect that the Board would support that recommendation.

Thomas agreed with those comments. He stated that he would want to see concrete numbers with the recommendation as an agenda item and not attached to the Treasurer's Report or Finance Committee report.

15. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Schleuning provided the following information:

- MAISRC Copper Research Update: Improvements are being made in how much copper can be added to provide long-term effects on zebra mussels. Additional testing is anticipated this year.
- Wake Surfing Education Presentation: Most recent draft was included in the packet.

Andy Weigman commented that they are attempting to spread the message of safe and respectful wake surfing through education.

Chris Banks commented that it is positive to see how far the association has come. He stated that the session the previous night was a great cross section of the wide range this educational campaign can reach.

Walesch thanked those involved in spreading this message including Chris, Andy, and Anderson. He stated that the product created is of high quality and is exemplary work and a positive message. He stated that this works with everyone involved, including people with opposing views and objectives. He thanked those involved for the thought and time invested in this quality and positive message.

Anderson stated that when he introduced the outline for this program, there was solid support from the Board and this group has stepped up to the plate. He thanked the Board for being receptive of the idea.

Thomas recognized Mr. Bendt and the Citizens for Sharing Lake Minnetonka group for their participation as well.

- CD3 at Grays Bay Public Launch: The different agencies met onsite to discuss implementation of the cleaning stations.
- Plastics Pollution: An update was provided related to a report the LMCD received of plastic pollution on Carson Bay. Staff along with MN DNR cleaned up several bags of plastic beads.
- Lake Minnetonka Water Levels: Levels have risen with the rain but remain under average for this time of year.
- Wayzata Sailing School: Looking for local artists that can produce AIS prevention graphics to go on sails.

Schleuning recognized the efforts that staff put in as a small staff. She expressed appreciation to the staff and members of the Board.

16. STANDING LMCD COMMITTEE/WORKGROUP

Aquatic Invasive Species: Cook reported that the group met and elected Brandt as the Chair and Newell as Secretary.

Brandt commented that the group met the previous week, and they are excited to get moving forward. He stated that the group will meet every other week on Thursday mornings in the short term in order to develop a plan to move forward. He stated that once their focus and scope is further defined, they would plan to meet monthly.

Thomas recognized the time Cook served as the Chair of the AIS Committee and thanked him for all he did in that role. He thanked Brandt for accepting the position of Chair and looked forward to seeing him in that capacity. He asked if formal action is needed to recognize the Chair and Secretary.

Schleuning stated that staff can prepare an updated resolution.

Thomas stated that perhaps that be delayed until the final membership is decided upon.

Brandt noted that they would be keeping the committee with Board members for the time being until they can further define their path forward.

Communications: Hoelscher reported that the group met and reviewed the Strategic Plan and provided input on the communications related items. She looked forward to discussing that with the full Board when that time comes. The group will meet again on April 29th.

Finance: No report.

Operations: Walesch commented that Zorn had a computer problem and had to leave the meeting.

Thomas noted that the group has not met since the last report.

Save the Lake: Baasen reported that the group is scheduling a special meeting on April 27th at 5 p.m. in order to take action on the 2021 fundraising plans. He stated that efforts will be geared at the spring/summer solicitation letter, 2021 fundraising, water patrol request for 2021, and donor recognition. He stated that they will provide an update at the first Board meeting in May.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Kroll moved, Kirkwood seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m.

VOTE: A roll call vote was performed:

Anderson	aye
Baasen	aye
Brandt	aye
Cook	aye

Hoelscher	aye
Hughes	aye
Kirkwood	aye
Klohs	absent
Kroll	aye
Newell	aye
Stone	aye
Thomas	aye
Walesch	aye
Zorn	absent

Motion carried unanimously.

Gregg Thomas, Chair

Dan Baasen, Secretary