

GREEN LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Green Lake Sanitary District was called to order by Commissioner Bates on Friday June 16, 2023, 7:00 am at the Green Lake Sanitary District Office, N5295 County Road TT, Princeton, WI 54968 and via Zoom.

Present: Ken Bates, Justin Ellis, Absent and Nick Vandervelde

Others Present: Lisa Reas, Administrator, Paulette Z Janssen Administrative Assistant, Vanessa Wishart representative for Stafford Rosenbaum LLP and Thad Majkowski representative for Cedar Corp. 2 people signed in.

Written notice of this meeting was given to the Green Lake Reporter, The Ripon Commonwealth. The News Release was posted at Fortifi Bank, the Green Lake Post Office and the GLSD Office.

CLOSED SESSION

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to move into closed session the Board of Commissioner may go into closed session under Wis. Stat. Section 19.85 (l) (g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the District who is rendering advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Board with respect to litigation in which the District is likely to become involved and to deliberate the purchase of public property and specified public service pursuant to Section 19.85 (1)(e), WIS STATS. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to reconvene in open session. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve the offer to purchase property consisting of parcels 016-00272-0000, 016-00230-0000, and 016-00296-0000 and the right of first refusal and easement described in Addendum A to the offer to purchase and to approve putting earnest money down in an amount not to exceed \$10000.00. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve the minutes of the May 15, regular meeting minutes and May 24, 2023, State of the Lake meeting. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve the May Treasurers Reports. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Klarich thanked Lisa for helping with his project on N. Lakeshore Dr.

WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

Plant Operator's Report

WPDES New Permit

Reas explained the GLSD staff continues to work on our land application pathway to permit compliance.

Discussion Land Application

District staff is currently reviewing the revised GLSD Phosphorus Compliance Plan recently updated by Cedar Corp's Mark VanWeelden. Mark will be submitting the revised plan to the DNR in the next week. At that point, the GLSD can finalize all land application plans.

Discussion: Sugar Loaf Sewer Extension

Reas reported that the Sugar Loaf Sewer extension is nearing the end of completion.

Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of Change Order No. 4

Thad explained the change order for open cutting instead of drilling.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve Work Change Order No. 4 for the Sugar Loaf Sewer extension for driveway pavement on Pheasant Run with an increase of \$9500.00. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates=yes, Vandervelde=yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of Contractor Pay Request No. 4

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve Pay request No. 4 for the Sugar Loaf Sewer extension in an amount not to exceed \$340736.81. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates=yes, Vandervelde=yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

Discussion: Future Sewering Plan

Reas reported that staff is working with Ehlers on the rate review for the district. Reas also reported that we continue to work with Cedar & Stafford to update Resolution 93-09 Sanitary Sewer Collection & Transportation & Order 94-13 Wastewater Management & Service Charge Order.

Discussion/Possible Action: Approve Blackbird Point Dr.

Lewallen reported that Egbert Excavating did repairs to a manhole on Blackbird Point Dr.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve repairs done by Egbert Excavating to a manhole on Blackbird Point Dr. in an amount not to exceed \$5000.00. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates=yes, Vandervelde=yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

Action: Approve 2022 CMAR Resolution 2023-02

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve Resolution 2023-02 for the 2022 CMAR. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

NON-POINT

Big Green Lake Management Plan/Grants

Discussion: Watershed Coordinator Position – Hannah Vorrie

Reas reviewed Hannah's report regarding projects she is working on with Green Lake and Fond du Lac County (see attached).

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Chris Retzlaff Cover Crops Cost-share Agreement – no discussion.

2. Discussion/Possible Action: Chris Pollack Buffer Cost-share Agreement – no discussion.

Discussion/Possible Action: Funding Approval for BMPs On Going Repairs no discussion.

County K Marsh

Larocque Fishing harvested 5200 pounds of carp out of the County K marsh and the cost was \$5000.00 which we are splitting with the GLA.

Reas reported she has begun applying for funding a new carp barrier at County K.

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Purchase of a Work Boat

Reas reported that we are having issues with the work boat, and it needs to be replaced.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve the purchase of a work boat in an amount not to exceed \$10000.00. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

LAKESHORE PROJECTS

Reas reported that the purple Loosestrife program is moving along.

A. Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of Boat Wash Increased Cost

Reas explained that the GLA has informed her that the cost of the boat wash station has increased.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve the increase in the boat wash station installation in an amount not to exceed \$31605.20 and to renegotiate with Green Lake County the cost associated with the boat wash station. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

GREEN LAKE CONSERVANCY

Scott has been working on the various Conservancy lands with herbicide applications as well as various projects such as transferring the new kiosk to Tichora, additional tree planting at various locations, trails mowing, managing the restoration of the GLSD fields etc.

A. Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of the North American Wetland Conservation Act Grant (NAWCA) Proposal

We are partnering with Duck's Unlimited to help provide funding for potential Conservancy property acquisitions and, as mentioned above, a possible carp barrier replacement at Cty K marsh. DU is looking at acquiring a very large North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grant to cover many projects in NE WI. The overall Duck's Unlimited proposal is for several million dollars. The GLSD request is only for approximately \$200,000 in total to be used between the acquisition & barrier replacement. We need board approval for the funding partnership request.

M/S (Bates/Vandervelde) to approve applying for the NAWCA grant in and amount of \$250,000.00. Roll call vote: Ellis-absent, Bates-yes, Vandervelde-yes. Motion Carried 2-0-1 absent.

SOLID WASTE

FISHING COMMITTEE

AQWEED

Reas reported that harvesting began June 1st.

NEW BUSINESS

GLA Appearance – no discussion

Discussion: Conservation Easements

Reas went over the Conservation Easement survey with the board (see attached). Reas reported that Hannah and Shelly Rothman have been working on conservation easement program. There appears to be interest from the community in easements and the partner organizations have expressed interest in some involvement as well.

Board Discussion of Lake Improvement Projects – no discussion

GENERAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Adjourn at 10:26 am

Respectfully submitted:

Nick Vandervelde

Approved 07/20/2023

Secretary of the Commission

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