

**Minutes of the 2021 Board Meeting of the Potter's Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District held
Wednesday January 20th, 2021 at Town Hall, East Troy, Wisconsin.**

Present: Commissioners Christine Celley, Bob Simon, Bob Rice, and Jerry Kozik.

2 constituents from the district attended.

Chairman Christine Celley called the meeting to order at 6:05PM

Bob Simon presented a profit and loss statement for the calendar year 2020, provided the checking register from Citizens Bank, Landmark and Citizens Bank CD updates and LPL Financial Credit Union. The district has assets of just over \$313,000. All accounts are FDIC Insured. Board members Christine Celley, Bob Simon, Bob Rice, and Jerry Kozik were present along with constituents Chris Boziel and Jan Adams, all were part of conducting the audit. Chris Boziel asked about what was included for payroll. Bob Simon explained that it was for Elroy and Dave along with Clean Boats Clean Waters. Payroll has been down because of the lack of harvesting but we still need to budget for it. Jan asked about the insurance costs and it was explained that it includes not only workers comp but also the building, harvester, equipment, and the truck. Each person went through each bill and check written. The bills and checks were verified by those at the audit and the books were determined to be in good standing.

Kathy Aron will be retiring but will help us this year with a transition to a new consultant and or applicator. Kathy gave us a few recommendations. One was Lake and Pond out of Elkhorn. The other was Brian from Marine Biochem which recently merged with another company. The other company gives Brian the ability to use different chemicals for treatment. One of those is ProcellaCOR which has been shown to provide longer control periods but also comes at a higher cost per treatment. Bob Rice commented that even with the higher cost if the treatment worked for a longer period of time the cost could end up being about the same or maybe even less. Another benefit to the lake would be the decreased plant matter at the bottom of the lake. Christine noted that we will need to get our treatment application in soon and we will need to be sure that ProcellaCOR is listed as an approved chemical in addition to the ones we have currently used. We are in the last year of our 5 year Plant Management Plan. Our last whole lake treatment was in 2017. Bob Simon stated that relationships with the DNR would be important in a new consultant. Bob Rice commented that we should include Heidi Bunk in on our decision. She knows our lake and the consultants that work in our area and it may be valuable for us to consult with her being that she approves our plans and treatments. Jerry Kozik asked about the USGS water surveys. Christine went on to explain that it was not mandatory but something that was recommended by Kathy. It is a water clarity study. Bob Rice will organize a request for proposal to send out to consultants. He also had reached out to a few contacts who recommended Lake and Pond as well as Onterra. One thing that was suggested was rotation of chemicals to help with effectiveness of treatments. He also suggested that whoever we go with should be given a 5-year time frame which would allow sufficient time to implement their plan.

Christine commented that she had discussion with Brian and other lake district board members. Wisconsin Manufactures and Commerce has established an oversite committee. The DNR created a whitepaper of things they want to change which will make things more restrictive than they are currently. They are scheduled to be reviewed in March and April by the legislature and public comments in the fall. This is something that we need to stay on top of as it has direct impact on our lake. Even though the DNR has approved our plan they still have denied us treatments for what was approved in the plan.

Christine addressed our current bylaws. When our bylaws were written there were few state statues that pertained to lake districts. This has changed over time and we should be getting our bylaws updated as

they have to comply with the state statues. We may want to consider doing away with our bylaws and just following the state statues which we have to do so anyway. This would save the district money by not having to continually update our bylaws. This can be addressed at the spring meeting and vote on it at the annual meeting.

Christine Celley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Jerry Kozik.and the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C Rice
Secretary