

Upper Turtle Lake District Commissioner Meeting Minutes

The Purpose of the Upper Turtle Lake District is to preserve, protect, and enhance Upper Turtle Lake and its surroundings for today and future generations.

The Upper Turtle Lake District, town of Alma, Barron County, Wisconsin hereby provides its written notice and agenda of the Upper Turtle Lake District Commissioners public meeting. The public may provide comments to the commissioners in the public comment portion of the agenda and upon recognition by the presiding officer.

Date: Friday, February 17th, 2023, 9:00 a.m., Alma Village Hall, 131 Soo Ave, Alma, WI

Commissioners Present: Carol Timmerman, Mike McCauley, Jim Gores, (in person), Ken Scheps, John Vono (via phone).

Call to order and Roll Call: Vono (Approved the Agenda and Verification of Public Notice and notice to DNR and County.)

Secretary's Report: Timmerman (Approved meeting minutes from 12-16-22 meeting.)

Treasurer's Report: McCauley (January 2023 checking account ending balance: \$20,150.69, AIS savings account \$10,050.98.) Report unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Boat Landing Cement Separation Issue: Gores to talk to county in getting this repaired.

2023 Aquatic Plant Management Plan: Should be done in February according to Blumer.

Vono to take the board questions back to Dave Blumer. Board needs to approve the final plan by the end of February. The plan then needs to be available to Lake District constituents 21 days prior to DNR Submission before the end of March. Next steps will be determined by Blumer's response.

Other topics brought up during APMP discussion: Notice of treatment, the treatment map, etc. needs to be in the April newsletter. The newsletter has a projected mail date of April 20th, articles need to be to Timmerman by April 6th. APMP has to be approved prior to this timeframe. Vono to write article on the UTLD successes in his board chair message. Calendar of events will also be included, along with a "Lake Neighbor" article. It was requested this article be on John and Sue Vono.

McCauley will be attending the April Lakes Convention in Steven's Point. The board approved his registration and expenses.

Line of Credit: The LOC is approved and ready to go.

New Business:

LEAPs Announcement Discussion: The board discussed the need for continued lake scientist support, and came to the conclusion that having this support was critical to the board credibility. Going forward, the board will look for other options, as Blumer has indicated he will no longer serve in this capacity at the end of 2023. Gores will look to other lakes districts for their input, McCauley will inquire at the Lake Conference, and Vono will contact Blumer himself for considerations.

Rapid Response Plan: The Lake District is required to update the Rapid Response Plan every two years. McCauley volunteered to take this initiative, Timmerman to help on this task.

Culvert Survey: Blumer indicated he would do some work on this. Vono will talk to Blumer

Other: Gores to talk to the county, and Scheps to the township on the availability of using their Zoom accounts versus purchasing one for the Lake District.

Calendar Items:

2023 Commissioner Meetings: No meeting scheduled, but will visit this once Blumer gets back on the AMPM questions.

Tree Giveaway and Social: May 6th, 2023. Timmerman to talk to Lisa Nelson on this.

2023 Annual Meeting: August 19th, 10:00 a.m. Ritsche Pavilion

Public Comment and Adjourn: 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Timmerman, Secretary