

# OKAUCHEE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

August 14, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.  
Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall  
[www.olmd.org](http://www.olmd.org)

## MINUTES

1. Call to Order

C. Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to local newspapers, posted at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall, two boards, and on the OLMD website.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present

Carol Wilson  
Tom Godar  
Dennis Johnson  
Bruce Mueller  
Dee Schriver

Absent

Also Present

Pat Furno, Accountant for the District

5. Correspondence

Dee Schriver received a phone call from **Elmer Brown, N52W34404 Peterson Drive**, noting the weeds in the lake were the worst he had ever seen. In the past, the weed cutters were brought into Tierney Bay near his house and left for several days. He thought the weed cutting depth should be made a little deeper.

6. Comments from the Floor

There was no one present wishing to speak at this time.

7. Comments from Committee Members

None.

8. Discuss & Act on Report of the Treasurer

D. Schriver reported the following:

Total Revenues:	\$325,436.54
Total Expenditures:	<u>\$ 209,711.43</u>
Total:	\$ 115,725.11

**B. Mueller moved to accept the Report of the Treasurer as presented. D. Johnson seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

9. Approve Checks & Vouchers

**C. Wilson moved to approve the bills paid from July 11, 2017 through August 14, 2017. T. Godar seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.**

10. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

**T. Godar moved to approve the July 10, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. B. Mueller seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**D. Johnson moved to approve the July 24, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**C. Wilson moved to approve the July 31, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. D. Schriver seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

11. Aquatic Plant Management Report

D. Johnson explained weed harvesting activities on the lake would be impacted with members of the crew returning to school at the end of August. No new employees had been hired despite advertising on the OLMD website and posting signage at various locations in the area. This year's crew was very good and he hoped that all will return next year. If anyone was interested in applying to work on the weed harvesting/fall clean-up crew, they should call the OLMD office at 262-966-0286.

No sale of the dump truck had taken place since the last meeting. With regard to equipment, D. Johnson explained the seals had failed on one paddle motor which kept the cutter from working properly. A reserve motor and shaft were being used until the equipment repair could be made. Efforts were being made to get caught up in certain areas of the lake that were unable to be cut due to heavy rainfall. The cutters were

getting two to three loads per day in certain parts of the lake due to the substantial weed growth this year.

B. Mueller questioned the effectiveness of the aerators in the pond near Tierney Bay. D. Johnson reported the aerator was working well near the pier where it was located; however, it was not always able to maintain the rest of the pond. Sometimes the area would be clear and other times the weeds were very thick. He suggested that this remedy be tried one more summer in order to determine if this summer's substantial weed growth throughout the lake had impacted the effectiveness of the aerator. D. Johnson also noted the presence of eelgrass this year in large floating mats. Heavy boat traffic and winds helped to generate the mats of floating weeds as well.

#### 12. Discuss & Act on Request for Clean Boats Clean Waters Grant

T. Godar explained a Clean Water Association Lake Country Community Board meeting was held July 26, 2017 with many community Lake District representatives present. One topic discussed was the Clean Boats Clean Waters Grant. This program provided support through grant funding to lake groups wanting to manage aquatic invasive species through a boat inspection program. The Clean Boats Clean Waters grant program offered a maximum of \$4,000 awarded for a minimum of 200 inspection hours; all inspection hours may be spent at one landing or a combination of two landings. The program limited grant funding to 75% of total project costs not to exceed \$4,000 for 200 inspection hours at one boat landing or \$4,000 for 200 inspection hours at two combined landings. One area Lake District used the funding to provide paid boat/trailer inspectors along with volunteer staff at a boat launch. T. Godar thought this program seemed a worthwhile investment for Okauchee Lake when compared with future attempts to manage or remove aquatic invasive species, such as Starry Stonewort and other species from Okauchee Lake. Discussion ensued regarding potential support for this program at other launch sites on the lake. D. Johnson questioned the logistics of the program at the launch sites. This item would be placed on a future OLMD meeting agenda for additional discussion and consideration.

#### 13. Discuss Website Items

Information added to the website since the last meeting included updated lake levels, monthly Waukesha County Aquatic Invasive Species newsletters, and updated weed harvesting information. Additional information posted on the website included a "Help Wanted" request for Fall Clean-Up Crew members, a Dump Truck for Sale and an article on the importance of removing valuables at the shoreline due to recent reports of theft.

#### 14. Future Agenda Items

The following items were suggested for inclusion on the next regular meeting (Sept 18, 2017) agenda:

- Review Annual Meeting Minutes – August 28, 2017
- Discuss & Act on Clean Boats Clean Water Grant Program

15. Set Future Meetings

The Annual Meeting was scheduled for Monday, August 28, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall. The next regular OLMD meeting was scheduled for September 18, 2017.

16. Adjournment

**D. Johnson moved to adjourn the August 14, 2017 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. D. Schriver seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.**

Minutes prepared by:

Accurate Business Communications, Inc.