

OKAUCHEE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MONDAY June 08th, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.

VILLAGE OF LAC LA BELLE – UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM

W359N6812 BROWN STREET OCONOMOWOC, WI 53066

THIS MEETING WAS AVAILABLE TO ATTEND VIA REMOTE CONNECTIONS

1. Call to Order

T. Godar called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Meeting Notice Announcement

The meeting notice announcement was distributed to a local newspaper, posted at the Village of Lac La Belle, Town of Merton, on the OLMD Website, the Waukesha County Website, and a web conference connection information was provided for remote attendance.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call of Commissioners

Present: Tom Godar, Brian Sichi, John Foley

Absent: Bruce Mueller

Also Present: Linda Goehre, **Website Designer**, Stefanie Anderson **OLMD Secretary**, Pat Furno, **Accountant for the District**

Absent: Brady Mullikin, **Lake Operations Manager**

5. Correspondence

N/A

6. Comments from the Floor

A. Tom Motl, N64W35035 Road J, Oconomowoc, WI 53066, stated that he has noticed a lot of green algae lately. T. Godar replied that it rained 9 inches in under 24 hours, this results in extracting all of the nutrients from the soil and mixing them into the watershed. Many people have noticed and it will dissipate on its own.

B. Susan Lincoln, W345N5288 Tierney Road, Okauchee WI 53069, stated that the dioramas that are located in the Tierney Bay channel were removed due to some of them being anchored into the pylons with bolts as long as 6 inches. This is considered private property,

and while there are no known operational impacts yet, this could cause damage to the walls in the future. It is unknown who would be responsible for the repairs.

- C. William Schimmels, N55W34511 Tweeden Lane Oconomowoc, WI 53066, stated that he has been in communications with Brian Sichi regarding lake fees for his subdivision. William is in a subdivision that has a private road. There is one neighbor that is responsible for the lake fees and the question raised is does it make sense that every riparian owner is not being assessed the same fee. The houses in the subdivision that are landlocked are not receiving any current lake fees. William has spoken with Evan Hoier at Waukesha County and he has obtained a WI State appellate court decision stating that he personally has deeded lake access. The Waukesha County does make the decision of who is granted lake access. William wanted to raise awareness to the OLMD board regarding this issue as there is a conflict between neighbors regarding pier placement. William stated that he has had his pier in place for the past 20 years and there is a new riparian owner that is questioning its legality. T. Godar stated that the OLMD does not have any jurisdiction regarding who is granted access and who is not. William thanked B. Sichi for his involvement and time and B. Sichi suggested that William reach out to the Village of Lac La Belle.
- D. George Ebner, N53W34369 Rd. Q, Okauchee WI 53069, stated that he was a neighbor of Doug Larson's. He questioned if Tierney Bay was treated with ProcellaCOR about 3 years ago and if would be administered again. Susan Lincoln, W345N5288 Tierney Road, Okauchee WI 53069 stated that the Eurasian Watermilfoil was starting to pop up again and that yes the ProcellaCOR was administered 3 years ago. J. Foley stated that he will reach out to Brady as well as Keenan who has replaced Brian Suffern at Solitude Lake Management, in regards to the planning for the next treatment.
- E. Nick Jensen, N53W34297 Rd Q, Okauchee WI 53069 gave a shout out to Brady for always being informative, willing to talk to anyone and doing the great work that he does. He inquired about the open seat for the board position. T. Godar stated that a County Rep will be needed and the election will take place at the Annual Meeting on August 24th at 7pm. The election will take place no matter how many individuals are running for the open position

7. Comments from Committee Members

N/A

8. Discuss Treasurer's Report

J. Foley reported the following for ending May 31st 2026:

Total Revenues: \$394,959.48

Total Expenditures: \$93,725.99

This leaves a budgeted balance of: \$301,233.49

9. Approved Checks & Vouchers

J. Foley stated that the Inland Lakes Repair amounted to almost \$10,000.

B. Sichi moved to approve payments submitted from May 12th 2026 through June 8th 2026. J. Foley seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (05/11/26)

B. Sichi moved to approve the 05/11/26 meeting minutes. J. Foley seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Animal Control Specialist Report / Update on Goose Egg Oiling, Arnold Groehler

Arnold is out of the country and will report at the July OLMD Meeting

12. Lake Operations Report Brady Mullikin, Lake Operations Manager

a. B. Mullikin was absent but sent his updated report on the current Lake Operations. Brady stated that they are fully staffed on the machinery that is ready to go in the water. C1 is currently waiting on Inland for repairs. C2 is in and working as well as C3. A new paddle wheel was ordered for C4. They will be rebuilding and hopeful that it will be here mid-June as it is on back-order. Brady has performed some welding operations to C4 as well.

b. Brady passed along that the skimmer was also in the water and ready to go and that additional paddle wheel motors were ordered to have on hand in the Lake Operation inventory. He has continued to work on repairing the seawall on Road L and it is coming along nicely.

c. Brady announced that by the end of June the Lake Operations will be fully staffed. This season's staff will consist of 75 percent returning employees from the previous season. The cutting operations have not started yet, but the barges are in and running. Brady assured that they are working to skim the algae as much as they can as it is hard to capture. They are aware of the current situation and trying to be as proactive as possible.

d. T. Godar asked J. Foley if he would follow up on the ProcellaCOR treatments that were administered in the past.

e. B. Sichi reported that the Clean Boats Operation is in full effect at the Public Launch. Ben will be at the launch 2 days each weekend from around 8am-4pm. He will be asking boaters what lakes they have been on during the previous 5 days prior to coming to Okauchee Lake. In addition, he will be tracking what type of boats are launching, where they are traveling from, what lakes they have recently visited, and will assist in the education of cleaning off the weeds, emptying ballasts, etc. upon existing the launch. Brian stated that for this first year they are going to focus on the Public Launch, while year 2 may bring changes to the Golden Mast Launch

as well. T. Godar requested that J. Foley follow up with Heidi Bunk regarding the Clean Boats effort.

13. Discuss & Act on Commissioner Transitions

a. T. Godar thanked J. Foley for stepping in and taking over the financials for the next few days and for taking the necessary steps to do so.

b. There will be an open spot on the board that will be voted on during the Annual Meeting on August 24th at 7pm.

14. Discuss & Act on Website

a. Fourth of July information has been posted

b. Green Algae information has been updated

15. Future Agenda Items

N/A

16. Set Future Meeting Dates

The Next Meeting is July 13th 2026 @ 7pm.

17. Adjournment

T. Godar moved to adjourn the June 8th 2026 Okauchee Lake Management District meeting. J. Foley seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried without exception. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.