

**Little Tamarack Flowage Baker Spring Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes July 2, 2022**  
Conover Town Park – Conover, WI

**Call to Order:** Chairman, Karl Jennrich, called the meeting to order at 9:11 A.M.

**Welcome:** Karl welcomed all those in attendance.

**Moment of Silence:** Karl requested a moment of silence for property owners who passed away since the last annual meeting: Mark Yanke, Bill Green and Ken Lenz

**Board Introductions:** Karl introduced the members of the Board who were present: Karl Jennrich, Town of Conover appointee and Chairperson, Kay Yanke, Vice-chairperson and Secretary, Bob Vogt, property owner/commissioner, Al Williamson, Treasurer and the Vilas County appointee Joe Muehlbach. Karl also introduced Nancy Vogt, Recording Secretary (non-voting member) and Tom Setum, Dam Tender.

**Agenda Approval:** Kay Yanke moved to approve the agenda; Karl Jennrich seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Minutes Approval:** Scott Gerloski moved to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2021 annual meeting; Clancy Senechalle seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Chairman's Report:** Karl presented his report. The Board met 6 times since the last meeting. The Wisconsin DNR conducted a field study at the dam and the District received a DNR directive to install 3 permanent survey benchmarks. These were installed at a cost of \$2,000. These tie into GPS and the mean sea level and also tie into the staff gauge. The Lake District made an open records request to the DNR and received a response. The Board approved removal of a full log in April and then a half log. Tom Setum was appointed as Dam Tender. The Board will be discussing removal of Phragmites, a terrestrial invasive species, from the easement near the dam. An audit of the Lake District's financial records was performed by the Town Treasurer.

**Treasurer's Report:** Al Williamson presented the Treasurer's Report. The balance in the checking account as of July 1<sup>st</sup> is \$4,121.30. The balance in the non-lapsable fund is \$20,068.05. Total cash assets are \$24,189.35. Nancy Vogt moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; Karl Jennrich seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Summary of Audit:** Kay read the written summary for the audit conducted by Conover's Treasurer, Jen Steiner. The financial records of the Lake District are accurate and in proper order.

**2022-2023 Budget:** Al presented the proposed budget (see Attachment) for the coming year and requested approval of a \$7,000 tax levy. The Maintenance/ Inspection account was increased from \$1,000 to \$3,500. The increase is to cover the cost of the benchmarks and the costs of Phragmites removal near the dam site. Rick Pokorny moved to approve the \$7,000 tax levy; Virginia Steber seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Scott Gerloski moved to approve the budget as presented; Rick Pokorny seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Water Quality Committee:** Clancy Senechalle, committee co-chair, introduced the committee members: Sue Holloway, Kay Yanke, Betty Setum, Tracy and Mary Dahms, and Bonnie Mosbrucker. Sue Holloway reported that activities have included water chemistry testing, placement of staff gauges, loon and bat monitoring. Bonnie reported on water

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clarity (Secchi Disk monitoring); Baker Lake clarity was at 3 feet, 9 inches when last measured. Phosphorus levels on Baker Lake are pretty good. The culvert/stream was tested and was fine, but re-testing after a heavy rain event showed high phosphorus. Precipitation and Dissolved Oxygen have also been monitored. Samples were taken of weeds; no invasive milfoil was detected. Phragmites are growing on one of the dam easements. Clancy moved that the Lake District spend up to \$1,000 to have a professional service eradicate the Phragmites; Scott Gerloski seconded. There was discussion. Three opposed; all others voted aye. Motion carried. Kay is a “Loon Ranger” and reported all three lakes have a pair of nesting loons. There are 2 loonlets on the Flowage; one on Baker. One of two eggs have hatched on Spring. Bonnie reported on bat monitoring that is conducted on all three lakes.

**Dam Operations Report:** Tom Setum, Dam Tender, reported there were 111 inches of snow last year, twice as much as last year. There was heavy snow pack on top of 16 inches of ice. April rains melted the snow with flooding of some properties. The frost was still in the ground into May, so runoff went right into the lakes. Some piers were under water. Tom recommended removing a full log; it was removed on May 2; a half log was removed two weeks later because the drawdown was slowed by heavy spring rains. Buoys were installed on May 6. The half log was replaced on June 2. Right now the water level is perfect in his opinion and he would like to see maintaining the current log level. There was extensive discussion regarding the water levels, including concerns about the high level this Spring and concerns about the low level last year.

**Introduction of Candidates:** Bob Vogt’s term as Commissioner is expiring. The two candidates, Bonnie Mosbrucker and Bob Vogt, introduced themselves.

**Election:** A secret ballot election was held to fill the expiring Commissioner position. The results were Bob Vogt 26; Bonnie Mosbrucker 16.

**Closing Comments:** Karl noted the Town of Conover is actively working to make improvements, including road and facility improvements.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:26 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Yanke  
Secretary

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**ATTACHMENT**

**LITTLE TAMARACK LAKE DISTRICT BUDGET 2022-2023**

Fiscal Year	7/1/21-7/1/22		7/1/22-7/1/23
	Budget	Actual	Budget
Revenue*			
Current Yr. Tax Levy Receipt	\$5,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
Balance of Prior Year's Levy	\$2,035.52	\$2,138.33	
Operating Revenue	\$7,035.52	\$9,138.33	\$7,000.00
Misc. Revenue (books, hats, etc.)	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$7,035.52</b>	<b>\$9,243.33</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>
Operating Expenditures			
Mailings, Post Office, Miscellaneous	\$800.00	\$489.25	\$800.00
Memberships	\$200.00	\$177.50	\$200.00
Insurance	\$1,300.00	\$1,047.00	\$1,300.00
Maintenance, Inspection	\$1,000.00	\$878.74	\$3,500.00
<b>Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$3,300.00</b>	<b>\$2,592.49</b>	<b>\$5,800.00</b>
Non-Operating Expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$3,300.00</b>	<b>\$2,592.49</b>	<b>\$5,800.00</b>
<b>Revenue minus expenses</b>	<b>\$3,735.52</b>	<b>\$6,650.84</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>
Beginning Operating Cash	\$1,428.12	\$1,470.46	\$4,121.30
Surplus (Deficit)	\$3,735.52	\$6,650.84	\$1,200.00
Contribution to non-lapsable fund	-\$4,000.00	-\$4,000.00	-\$4,000.00
<b>Ending Operating Cash</b>	<b>\$1,163.64</b>	<b>\$4,121.30</b>	<b>\$1,321.30</b>
Beginning Non-Lapsable Fund Balance	\$16,052.43	\$16,064.09	\$20,068.05
Contributions from Operating Cash	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Interest Earned on Non-Lapsable Fund	\$0.00	\$3.96	\$0.00
Transfer from Non-Lapsable Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Ending Non-Lapsable Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$20,052.43</b>	<b>\$20,068.05</b>	<b>\$24,068.05</b>
Beginning District Cash Balance	\$17,480.55	\$17,534.55	\$24,189.35
<b>Ending District Cash Balance</b>	<b>\$21,216.07</b>	<b>\$24,189.35</b>	<b>\$25,389.35</b>