

**KUSEL/WILSON/ROUND LAKES PROTECTION & REHABILITATION
DISTRICT
MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2021**

What: Annual Meeting of Kusel/Wilson/Round Lakes Protection & Rehabilitation District
When: June 5, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.
Where: Springwater Town Hall, Waushara County, Wisconsin

Present: Paul Zimmer, Board Chairman and Commissioner for Wilson Lake; Jeremy Gaboury, Board Secretary and Commissioner for Kusel Lake; Daniel Mingus, Treasurer and Round Lake Commissioner.

Approximately 65 people attended the annual meeting.

Paul Zimmer called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Zimmer introduced the Board: Jeremy Gaboury, Dan Mingus, and Paul Zimmer.

I. GENERAL MEETING OF THE KUSEL/WILSON/ROUND LAKES PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT

The general meeting of the Lake District was commenced at 9:00 a.m., Paul Zimmer presiding.

A. MINUTES

No corrections to the minutes of the Annual Meeting of 2020 held on June 6, 2020 were requested. Therefore, Zimmer moved and Gaboury seconded a motion to approve the minutes as read. This motion passed.

B. FINANCIAL REPORT

Mingus presented a financial report for the District and for each lake. Mingus reported the balances in the four accounts for the District were as follows:

1. Kusel Lake \$50,722.55
2. Wilson Lake \$33,095.89
3. Round Lake \$1,955.96
4. Administration Account \$501.77

Pending Bills: Kusel and Wilson Lakes have pending bills for weed treatments and water analysis.

A motion was made by Mel Heaney and seconded to approve the financial reports. The motion passed.

C. **BOAT PATROL FOR THE DISTRICT**

Discussion was held to determine if there was interest in having a district-wide boat patrol. Several concerns were raised, which are as follows:

- a. In the past, riparian owners on the three lakes have done a reasonably good job of patrolling the lakes themselves;
- b. A lake patrol can result in persons being cited for minor infractions, while more serious infractions are not cited; and
- c. Too much control could result in no-wake lakes.

A motion to pursue investigating costs and feasibility of hiring someone to patrol the 3 lakes was voted on, but did not pass.

D. **ELECTION OF ROUND LAKE COMMISSIONER**

Dan Mingus's three year term is expiring as one of the three Commissioners of KWR Lakes District. Dan (nominated by Todd Devens and seconded by Joe Herman) and Mark Frankowski (nominated by Jim Holcomb and seconded by Curtis Calvert) were both willing to serve as a Commissioner for the KWR Lakes District. A secret paper ballot was executed, and Dan Mingus won the election. Dan will be Commissioner for the KWR Lakes District for a 3 year term (ending June of 2024).

E. **WE REALLY KARE FISHING CLUB**

Craig Strube, President of WRK Fishing Club, explained the Club will not stock the lakes this year, because of lack of funds caused by the Covid-19 Pandemic. A motion was made and seconded for all riparian owners to be assessed \$2 to support the club. Motion passed.

F. **KWR-LAKES.COM SITE**

Please see Website and Facebook for updates throughout the year. Any updates will be posted. If anyone would like anything posted on Facebook or on kwr-lakes.com, please contact Gaboury.

G. **KWR MEETING REMINDERS AND PRINTED AGENDAS**

Discussion was held regarding terminating the mailing of Notices for Annual Meetings. Jim Buck stated KWR's own By-Laws and Wisconsin statutes require the mailing of a written Notice of the Annual Meeting at least 14 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Also, the Wisconsin Open Meetings Act may require such Notice. Joe Guidote volunteered to investigate whether Wisconsin Law requires mailing of written notices for annual meetings. He will report his findings to the District in approximately 2 weeks. (Note: All meeting/agenda information are on the KWR-Lakes.com site.)

H. Volunteer needed to assist District with taking notes at meetings, preparing agendas, and preparing meeting minutes: Jim Buck volunteered.

I. **EXPENSES**

- 1. Waushara County Watershed Lakes Council--\$25
- 2. Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL)--\$40
- 3. Liability insurance--\$160

It is Round Lake's turn to fund the Administration Account this year, \$10 per property which is assessed on this year's taxes.

Thanks go out to Dan Mingus for printing out our meeting reminder card and agendas at no cost to the KWR Lakes District!

II. **ROUND LAKE MEETING**

Mingus presided at the Round Lake meeting.

A. **REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR PRECEDING YEAR**

Expenses for 2020:

1. Roger Jansen Postage – \$8.75
2. UW SP Water Lab - \$85 x 2 = \$170

Total \$178.75

B. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET**

Mel Heaney made the motion, seconded by Roger Jansen, to fund the Administration Account in the amount of \$10 per riparian property owner.

C. **PAYMENT OF EXPENSES**

Round Lake riparian landowners will be assessed \$12.00 on this year's taxes: \$10 to fund the Administration Account for KWR Lakes District, \$2.00 for WRK Fishing Club.

D. **AQUATIC NUISANCE**

Mel Heaney made a motion, seconded by Todd Schiedemeyer, for expenses for trapping muskrats on Round Lake to be put on the budget for next year. (WI State Statutes 33 Aquatic Nuisance) Motion passed.

E. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Round Lake meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

III. **KUSEL LAKE MEETING**

Gaboury presided at the Kusel Lake meeting.

A. **REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR PRECEDING YEAR**

Expenses for 2020:

1. UW Stevens Point Water Analysis - \$85.00
2. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$1250.00 – Plant Surveys and Mapping
3. UW Stevens Point Water Analysis - \$85.00
4. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$2000 – Site Visits (monthly)
5. Wisconsin Lake and Pond – Nuisance Weed Treatment - \$2840
6. Wisconsin Lake and Pond – Permit from WDNR - \$286.50

Total \$6,546.50

B. **APPROVAL OF BUDGET**

Motion was made by Jim Buck, seconded by Lynn Guidote, to approve the upcoming budget. Motion passed.

C. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES

Thus, each riparian landowner will be assessed \$0. \$2.00/riparian owner for WRK Fishing Club will be taken out of funds from the CD that was cashed in. The other 2022 expenses will be paid from the other Kusel Lake funds.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The Kusel Lake meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

IV. WILSON LAKE MEETING

Zimmer presided at the Wilson Lake Meeting.

A. REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR PRECEDING YEAR

Expenses for 2020:

1. ACEC – Electricity for Aerators - \$1,596.01
2. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$400.00
3. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$13,645
4. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$400.00
5. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$2495.50
6. Wisconsin Lake and Pond - \$1027.18

Total \$19,563.69

B. APPROVAL OF BUDGET

Motion was made by Julie, seconded by Kim Rose, to approve the upcoming budget. Motion passed.

C. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES

Thus, each riparian landowner will be assessed \$150: \$75 for weed control, \$75 for aeration system repair/replacement. The \$2 for WRK Fishing Club will be taken from the funds from the C.D.

D. FLOATING WEEDS

There was discussion about weeds floating on the surface of the lake that have been cut by boating and the possibility of hiring a company to collect and dispose of them. Steve will investigate this and report at the next meeting.

E. HARVESTING WEEDS

There was discussion about harvesting weeds. It will be looked into it and reported at the next meeting.

F. REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING AERATION SYSTEM

There was discussion about the cost of replacement of some of the aerators. The aerators are getting old and need to be replaced. The issue of cost and the effectiveness of the aeration system will be studied further.

G. **WEIR ON WILSON LAKE**

Zimmer proposed having Badger Engineering and Construction determine the height of the weir on the lake. Discussion was held regarding the historic heights of the weir, what the proper height should be, and how it should be determined. A motion was made by Mark and seconded by Travis to have the height determined by Badger Engineering and Construction. The Motion did not pass.

H. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Wilson Lake meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

V. **ANY ADDITIONAL MATTERS RAISED BY THOSE ATTENDING**

A. **EASEMENT**

The easement on Darrel and Cathy Duehring's property is lapsed and needs to be redone.

VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

The annual Meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jeremy Gaboury
Secretary of K/W/R Lakes Protection &
Rehabilitation District