CRESCENT LAKE DISTRICT

Board of Commissioners | <u>crescentlakedistrict@gmail.com</u>

September 29, 2025

To: All Crescent Lake Property Owners

From: Crescent Lake District Commissioners

Re: Annual Meeting Update

Dear Fellow Property Owners,

The 2025 Annual Meeting of the Crescent Lake District was held on Saturday August 30 at the Crescent Town Hall. We continued scheduling on Saturday morning of Labor Day weekend to allow as many to join in as possible. During our public comment session, everyone who wished to express their feelings or concerns about Crescent Lake had the opportunity to do so and many expressed their overall satisfaction with the efforts of the Crescent Lake District.

Our 3 primary objectives for the meeting (required by State statue) were:

- 1. Provide an update on the Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) spread and our control efforts.
- 2. Approve the 2026 budget and tax levy.
- 3. Election of one new commissioner to fill an expiring term.

EWM Update

Terry Goldbach, our invasive species response team leader, shared the latest lake survey maps compiled by White Water Associates from their August 2025 Lake survey. The maps indicated a significant reduction of EWM in the north end of the lake (near the boat landing). You may recall this spring we were able to treat approximately 30 acres in this area which had become heavily infested with EWM. Unfortunately, the maps also indicated small pockets of EWM present in several other areas of the lake which we will need to closely monitor going forward. Using GPS technology from the survey maps, in September we hired scuba divers to hand pull as much of the EWM as they could locate. We continue to believe from an overall perspective we are staying

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ahead of widespread EWM expansion and find ourselves in far better shape than many other Wisconsin lakes.

2025 Budget and Tax Levy

Our proposed 2026 budget was unanimously approved. The plan includes a 50% reduction from 2024 taxpayer levy, and 2024 was a 50% reduction from 2023. We have a good plan in place for 2026 efforts and continue to hold a decent reserve balance for future EWM treatment needs.

Election of New Commissioner

Dave Schwanz was re-elected to another 3-year term as commissioner.

The slate of CLD commissioners for 2026 are:

Tim Kilgore – Chairman

Jim Solinsky – Treasurer

Dave Schwanz – at large

Dennis Southworth – at large

Suzanne Mooney – at large

Maria Rudesill – Secretary (Crescent Town appointee)

Linnaea Newman – (Oneida County Supervisor appointee)

You are always welcome at our Crescent Lake District meetings. You can find the full meeting agendas and minutes, plus future meeting dates at our website www.crescentlakedistrict.com. You may also contact any commissioner with your questions. Our contact info is listed on the website.

Enjoy the remainder of the fall season.

Sincerely,

Tim Kilgore – Crescent Lake District Chairman