

Crescent Lake District

Special Commissioners Meeting – 02/08/22

A Special Meeting for the Crescent Lake District (CLD) Commissioners was called to order at 6:02 p.m., on ZOOM. The meeting notices were posted as required. Attendance included CLD Commissioners Tim Kilgore, Jim Gehrke, Jim Ketterson, Bob Thome, and Maria Rudesill. Members of the public included Terry Goldbach – CLD AIS Response Team Coordinator.

Bob motioned to approve the meeting agenda. Jim K seconded the motion. Motion PASSED.

There was no public comment.

As Chairperson, Tim reviewed the timeline that led to the need for a Special Meeting. At the time of the Annual Meeting, the CLD committee used the estimated assessment numbers to draw up the 2022 budget. This was approved at the Annual Meeting. In the January meeting, the AIS Response team recommended a treatment area that was larger than the amount approved in the AIS treatment budget line. The CLD Board agreed that we could only spend the amount approved by the owners, so the treatment area had to be reevaluated. Shortly after the January meeting, Tim received a letter from the CLA offering a gift of \$25,000.00 to be used for AIS treatment. This gift, in addition to the DNR grant transferred from the CLA, creates an opportunity to increase the treatment area. It is Tim's opinion that the purpose of the CLD is to treat EWM and that we should use the resources we have to do our job. Tim recommended that we accept the gift, use the grant money first (as it expires at the end of 2022), then use the gift money followed by the tax funds, as needed to treat up to 55 acres. Depending on the final cost, any money left over will be carried into the 2023 budget.

Bob recommended that we segregate funds to keep the grant, gift, and taxes on different line items with different acreage/contracts assigned to each line item. This way it will be easy for the owners to see which contract was covered by which income source.

Jim K agreed with using the DNR grant first as it is a reimbursement-style grant. He also asked if the information from the applicators could include the performance guarantee as a separate line item in their estimate.

Jim G made a motion to accept, with gratitude, the gift of \$25,000 from the Crescent Lake Association to be used for EWM/AIS in our 2022 treatment effort. Motion was seconded by Jim K. Motion PASSED.

Tim will contact the CLA regarding the gift.

Future meetings are set for:

April 4, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. - Crescent Lake Bible Camp (this may change based on public health status)

Note: Additional meetings can be called at any time, based on need.

Agenda items for future meetings include:

- Payment of CLA Loan
- AIS Response Team provide specific cost for acreage

- Review CLA gift to assign treatment acreage
- Review DNR Grant to assign treatment acreage
- Communication to owners (signature, timeline, etc.)
- Review the need for DASH Boat in 2022
- Storage for Lake District Materials / Documents
- Investigation of Whole Lake Treatment
- AIS Response Team recommendations for 2023 – 2025 Long Range Plan

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Submitted by Maria Rudesill, Secretary (02/10/22)

Approved (04/11/22)