

BUFFALO LAKE P&R DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2021
MARQUETTE COUNTY SERVICE CENTER
9:00 a.m.

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Joe Dion at 9:02 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call of Board Members: Al Rosenthal, Vikki Trimble, Bill Lewis, Joe Dion, Judi Nigbor, Town of Packwaukee Representative, Larry Haygood. Absent Jon Sheller, Marquette County Representative
3. Minutes from 2020 Annual Meeting. Motion was made by Don Klecz, and seconded by Lynn Dion to approve the minutes as printed of October 10, 2020 Annual Meeting All in favor, none opposed. Approved
4. Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2021, the checking account balance was \$11,558.88, the Money market had \$61,313.13 and the equipment fund had a balance of \$133,114.66. Discussion followed concerning the purchase of the cutter and if the procedure was legal and/or appropriate. Joe and Larry explained that the procedure was legal according to our legal counsel, because the cutter had been budgeted and members knew that it had been purchased. Motion to accept September financial report was made by Ed Schams and seconded by Jeff Reimer. All in favor, None Opposed. Approved
5. Presentation of Audit: Ro Klecz stated that she audited the books for 2020 and did not find any misstatements with the bookkeeping. The reimbursement form, which was suggested last year by Ro Klecz was developed.
6. Budget Hearing: Vikki Trimble made a motion to go into the Budget Hearing, Seconded by Judi Nigbor at 9:17 a.m. All in favor, None opposed. Approved. Larry Haygood presented the proposed budget which was for \$148,840.00 Discussion followed if the budget contained enough money for legal fees to support our petition to DNR to change the **water level order**, and if the budget also contained enough money for additional wages for our harvesting procedure, and still maintain the hours we had this year. It was agreed that both accounts had sufficient money, so the proposed budget remained \$148,840.00. Motion was made by Vikki Trimble to adjourn the budget hearing, seconded by Larry Haygood. All in favor, None Opposed. Approved.
7. Budget hearing was adjourned and the **annual meeting was convened**.
8. Budget Approval. Motion to approve **the 2022 budget** as presented was made by Bernie Sosinsky and seconded by Don Klecz. All were in favor **except** one negative vote. Approved
9. Golden Sands AIS yearly donation. Al Rosenthal explained that the grant from DNR had previously been a competitive grant, but next year each County was receiving a designated

amount for the AIS program. Marquette County would be receiving about \$11,700 and they have decided to give the money to Golden Sands to continue the AIS program. The County has also set up an account for money received from Lakes, Marquette County Lakes Association and the County itself to be used by Marquette lakes only. Lakes could apply to the Marquette County lakes Association for extra money to work on AIS projects. A motion was made by Don Klecz to donate \$500.00 for the program as described. Seconded by Larry Haygood. All in favor. None opposed. Approved

10. Resolution 2021-02. The purpose of this resolution was to add two wings and an office to the existing building on the district's property for a cost not to exceed \$25,000. Bernie Sosinsky amended the motion to increase the amount to \$35,000 and make the two wings large enough to cover all of our harvesters and transporter. Seconded by Al Million. The **amended motion** was voted on and all were in favor, none opposed. Approved. Don Klecz made a motion to approve the proposal as amended and that the money up to \$35,000 comes out of the equipment fund. Seconded by Darrel Unsinn. All in Favor. None opposed. Approved.
11. Election of One Commissioner: Joe Dion introduced the names of the 3 candidates. Bill Lewis said he no longer was running, Kristina Fudge was not able to be at the meeting, and Ro Klecz gave a little background of herself and why she wanted to be a candidate. Joe asked for any other candidates three times. Vikki Trimble made a motion that nominations be closed and accept the two candidates. Seconded by Al Rosenthal. All in favor, none opposed Approved. Carol Deer and Judi Nigbor were appointed to take care of the ballots. After ballots were counted Ro Klecz was elected as director with 31 votes.
12. Committee Reports. Joe Dion announced that all committee reports would be posted on the district website for review.
13. Marquette County Lakes Association, County and Town of Packwaukee: Al Rosenthal reported that Marquette County Lake Association's dues for 2022 would remain at \$50.00 and that they are now on Facebook, purpose being to share lake issues, both positive and negative. Judi Nigbor and Al Rosenthal reported on the update on redoing the causeway to the 500 year flood level and the proposed gravel pit on County D. Judi reported on the upgrading of the boat launch on Freedom Road.
14. Lake Level: There was much discussion on what is happening with the letter to DNR for our request to change the lake level order, so that the lake will be more boat and recreation friendly. Joe reported that he was meeting with a number of DNR employees on October 13th for a pontoon ride to view the lake. The biggest request right now from DNR is to give us a timeline on the request and when we might here a decision. There was discussion about forming a lake level committee. Motion was made by Al Million to form a lake level committee to be appointed by the Board and chair or the Board. Seconded by Don Klecz. All in favor, none opposed Approved. The Committee will be formed at the next meeting of the Board to be held in November.
15. Next Year's Annual Meeting date and time. A motion by Larry Haygood and seconded by Vikki Trimble to hold the Annual Meeting in 2022 on October 8th at 9:00 a.m. All in favor, none opposed. Approved.

16. Closed meeting was not necessary and therefore was not called for.

Motion to adjourn by Lynn Dion and seconded by Vikki Trimble at approximately 10:45 a.m. All in favor, none opposed. Approved.