

Commissioners:

Roger E. Walsh, Chairperson   Christopher C. Genthe, Treasurer   Paul Sacotte, Secretary  
Mike Burns   Frank "Buzz" Carr   James McGath   Marilyn Merten  
Daniel W. Carroll, Operations Manager and Water Safety Patrol Chief

**BIG CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT MEETING  
February 20, 2018 MINUTES**

**PRESENT: Roger E. Walsh, Christopher Genthe, Marilyn Merten, Paul Sacotte, Mike Burns, Frank "Buzz" Carr**

**ABSENT: James McGath**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call**

Roger Walsh led Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:31 pm. Julie Riley called the roll. Those present and absent are listed above.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the December 20, 2017 Meeting of the Commissioners**

Christopher Genthe moved for the approval of the Minutes of the December 20, 2017 meeting of the Commissioners. Frank "Buzz" Carr seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**3. Approval of purchases, leases, contracts, work orders or repairs whose cost exceeds \$500 including:**

The inland harvester pump needs to be rebuilt at an approximate cost of \$700. Paul Sacotte moved for the approval of the rebuild of the inland harvester pump. Marilyn Merten seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**4. Approval of Bill and Accounts**

- Review of register. Dan Carroll explained entries.

Chris Genthe moved for the approval of checks 8875-8898, and e-checks 2173, 2174, 2179-2195, 2197-2206, and 2208-2215. Mike Burns seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**5. Report on District operations in general, including:**

- **Report on Winter 2018 Water Safety Patrol operations and other Winter 2018 operations.**

Dan Carroll explained that the winter patrol hours for January, 2018 were 94.5, administrative hours were 29 for a total of 123.5. One citation was issued for vehicle speed. There was definitely more active winter patrol for winter 2018 vs. winter 2017. Winter patrol is not expected to be necessary going into March, 2018.

**6. Discuss and approve replacement of the 1979 Chevrolet Weed Truck**

Dan Carroll has ordered a new dump trailer. Pick-Up Truck options are still being researched in the price range of \$31,000-33,000.

**7. Appoint Hannah Karnitz as a Water Safety Patrol Officer, with a starting wage of \$18 per hour, \$1 over the normal starting rate.**

Dan Carroll explained that based on the experience that Hannah Karnitz brings to the BCLPRD, he would like to offer the higher starting wage. Paul Sacotte moved for the approval of Hannah Karnitz to be appointed as a Water Safety Patrol Officer with a starting wage of \$18 per hour. Frank “Buzz” Carr seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**8. Discussion of possible action relating to restoring sensitive areas and closing the launch when the parking lot is full and discussion of contacting the Town of West Bend and Washington County to expand the no parking areas on certain roads.**

Dave Claussen was present to explain his email to Roger Walsh, on behalf of the POA of Big Cedar Lake. The POA is concerned with the overuse of the lake and the impact of extensive weekend traffic on the water. The POA has gathered reports from other area lakes as to how they have control over the number of parking spaces, vehicle with trailer parking, etc. They would like to make recommendations to the BCLPRD that include limiting the access of public launched boats to Big Cedar Lake as sanctioned by the DNR of Wisconsin by installing a gate and closing access to the lake when the public parking at Gonring Drive is full. Further recommendations include installation of additional NO parking signs along Hwy K, Hwy 144, Hacker Drive, and Boettcher Drive in an effort to eliminate vehicles parking with boat trailers. It is also recommended that the BCLPRD enforce the DNR’s regulations pertaining to the number of watercraft per pier/shoreline. Christopher Genthe moved to contact Washington County, Town of West Bend, and State of WI to place no parking signs near the discussed areas that do not have signs. Mike Burns seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**9. Update on discussions with Cedar Community, Cedar Lake Campus regarding their Residential Housing Expansion.**

Roger Walsh informed the Commissioners that there is a Town information meeting on February 21, 2018. Mike Burns and Frank “Buzz” Carr are to be in attendance. No action to be taken at this time.

**10. Other Business.**

There was none.

**11. Adjourn**

Mike Burns made a motion to adjourn. Christopher Genthe seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Prepared and submitted by Julie Riley on behalf of Paul Sacotte, Secretary.