

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
8:30 AM	<b>1. Call to Order</b>	<p><b>Members Present:</b> Chair, Jim Rooney, Roger Walsh, Lee Van Zeeland, Ralph Brzezinski, and Maureen Kinney</p> <p><b>Others Present:</b> Bobbi Winebar, Annie Loechler, Chris Halbur, Sara deBruijn, Ed Slaminski, Luke Albers – DNR, applicants and members of the public.</p>	Meeting called at 8:36 AM by the Chair. Members of the Commission introduced themselves.
	<b>2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	Minutes of January 10, 2017	Motion by Roger Walsh, seconded by Maureen Kinney to approve the minutes of January 10, 2017. Roger Walsh discussed some amendments to these minutes. These corrections have been made. Maureen Kinney seconded the amended minutes. <u>Motion carried.</u>
	<b>3. Department Reports</b>	Fund Condition (see attached budget)	<p>Bobbi Winebar presented the budget indicating that we have a total appropriation of \$2,904,459.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Segregated Fee Funding \$404,459</li> <li>• Stewardship Bonding Funds \$2,500,000</li> <li>• No enumerations from legislature.</li> <li>• Previous small projects deduction of \$12,735</li> <li>• Total Inland development project requests total \$1,007,943; Harvester requests from Jan. 10, 2017 meeting totaled \$599,143 of which \$9,090 was taken out of the FY2017 budget leaving a total for harvesters deferred to FY2018 \$590,053 (at 35% cost</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>4. Recreational Boating Project and Action</b></p>	<p>Project Presentations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 West End Boat Launch Dev - \$215,770</li> <li>2 Glen Loch Landing Rehab &amp; Dev - \$141,663</li> <li>3 North Twin Lake Boat Landing - \$136,682</li> <li>4 Nelson Lake Boat Landing Improv - \$49,250</li> <li>5 Keyes Lake Boat Landing Rehab - \$175,422</li> <li>6 Lower Post Lake Boat Launch Rehab - \$6,825</li> <li>7 Fowler Lake Boat Launch - \$76,274</li> <li>8 Phantom Glen Park Launch Improv - \$108,412</li> <li>9 Crooked Lake Boarding Dock Replace - \$5,0000</li> <li>10 Riverside Park Boat Ramp Improv - \$92,645</li> <li>11 Armstrong Eddy Park Launch &amp; Parking – Deferred to Jan. 2017</li> <li>12 Harvester/Conveyor (Delavan) - \$95,167</li> <li>13 Harvester (Delafield) - \$85,000</li> <li>14 Shore Conveyor (Whitewater &amp; Rice) - \$29,193</li> <li>15 Barge/Harvester Refurb (Browns) – 112,358</li> <li>16 Transport Barges (Pewaukee) - \$113,785</li> <li>17 Weed Harvester Replacement (Lake Noquebay) - \$68,092.50</li> <li>18 Harvester/Trailer (Tri-Lakes) - \$81,200</li> <li>19 Harvester (Rolling Stone) - \$66,540</li> <li>20 Harvesting Equip (Rice) - \$77,000</li> </ol> <p>Finding of Feasibility</p> <p>Project placement on priority list</p> <p>Recommendation for project funding</p>	<p>Reviewed and discussed the 3 additional harvester projects:</p> <p>16 – Request is for 2 transport barges for hauling loads to replace one of their old barges. Round trip to unload these barges takes at least an hour round trip. Roger Walsh asked how many barges they have. Applicant answered that they have 3 and would be replacing the 1998 one with one of the new ones so they'd have 4 total if funded. Lee Van Zeeland asked about their harvesting areas and what would happen if they didn't harvest weeds. Applicant answered that the whole northern part of the lake would fill in and boats would not be able to be able use motor boats in this area. Ralph Brzezinski asked about why there is only one off load site and Lee Van Zeeland asked why they couldn't offload at the beach area. Applicant answered that they are allowed to dump some at the edge of the beach and the City of Pewaukee picks it up but they can't dump all of it. The entire lake is residential so no other access is available for unloading. Ralph Brzezinski asked about a Pewaukee Lake Association. Applicant answered that there used to be. Ralph Brzezinski asked about launch fees. Applicant answered that he believes it is \$7 and owned by the county. In the Village of Pewaukee they have a launch but not sure of fee. The sanitary district does not receive any of the launch fees. Town of Pewaukee Sanitary District does the work, City of Pewaukee contracts the Pewaukee Sanitary</p>

			<p>District and the Village of Pewaukee is on their own.</p> <p>17 Lake Noquebay Rehabilitation District (LNRD) is requesting funding for 1 harvester to replace 2 of their oldest machines so that they'd have 3 useable machines. They have had an update on their harvesting plan from the DNR last year. Largest lake in Marinette County and is a popular tourist destination which wouldn't occur if the weed harvesting wouldn't take place. Jim Rooney reminded them that the funding level that was deferred was at 35% instead of 50%. Applicant answered that yes they understand that. Ralph Brzezinski asked about residency along the lake. Applicant answered about 400 homes and cottages around the lake. The number of permanent residents has gone up in recent years. The north side of the lake is wetland and can't be developed. Roger Walsh asked about why this one was deferred from the Jan. meeting and not presented then. Applicant answered that there were incorrect totals on their original application.</p> <p>20 Rice Lake - 10,000 people that live in the district and are taxed. They currently have 3 harvesters on their lake. The request is for 1 harvester that would replace 1 of their older harvesters. Presented map of the harvesting plan which is for maintaining navigational channels for recreational purposes. Have harvested curly pond weed for a long time. They harvest early in spring and this has seemed to set the curly pond weed back so the harvesting plan is working. At times there are heavy growths of wild celery and also currently have a snail problem on the lake. The new harvester</p>
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	<b>5. Public Comments</b>		<p>Kenosha County stated that they appreciated the offer and consideration for allowing their restroom to be funded at a similar rate as other restrooms presented today.</p>
	<b>6. Next Meeting/Location</b>		<p><b>Added after Budget was signed:</b> October 24, 2017 at the Eau Claire Service Center.</p>
	<b>7. Adjournment</b>		<p>Motion by Maureen Kinney to adjourn, second by Roger Walsh. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>