

Minutes FOR LAKE COMMITTEE

A Lake Committee was held on **Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 5:00 PM** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 819 Superior Avenue, Tomah, WI.

Call to Order / Roll Call

The Lake Committee met in regular session on Thursday, January 19, 2023, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Kiefer at 5:00 PM. Roll call was taken with Commissioners, Lamont Kiefer, John Rusch, Kim Mello, Hal Burnham, and Duane Chapman present. Absent was Lee Lang and Kevin Arkeketa. Also present, Director Kirk Arity and Bob Micheel.

Approve Minutes

Motion made by Chapman, second by Mello to approve minutes from previous meeting. All ayes. Motion passed.

Adaptive Management

The City of Tomah and Monroe County continue to look for additional projects.

---Skipped to item 11---

Warden Update

No update.

Weed Management

Kiefer noted some weeds coming up with an auger while ice fishing.

Stormwater Inlet Monitoring

Lengthy discussion on logistics for stormwater inlet monitoring and sampling.

Winnebago Park Phase I

New boat landing is in. Old boat landing is closed. New restrooms on hold until spring.

Lake Informational Sign Boards

No new sign boards put up yet. New northern pike regulations are not widely known as there are reports of people harvesting pike meeting old regulations. Street Department put up temporary signs at the new boat landing stating the new regulations on pike.

Boat Dock Approvals

No boat dock approvals.

Review of Boat Dock Composition & Specs

Discussion on if boat dock ordinance needs to be updated as some residents have kayak ramps and lifts.

Climate Change Task Force/Ag Update

Bob Micheel talked in detail about Climate Change Task Force. He stated one the Monroe County Climate Change website is the presentation about Focus on Energy. The presentation shows different energy rebates available. February 1st Climate Change meeting will have a presentation on the new weather stations. 2023 Monroe County Land Stewardship Awards Banquet is Saturday, January 28, 2023.

Director Arity stated City of Tomah is applying for a grant for EV charging stations and for a solar project.

No Ag updates.

Lake Events: Fisheree & Youth Ice Race

Motion made by Chapman, second by Mello to endorse the fisheree on February 11th. All ayes. Motion passed.

Motion by Burnham, second by Mello to endorse the youth ice races. All ayes. Motion passed.

Chairman Updates

Fishing has been excellent, and the water clarity is good.

Future Meeting Date - March 16, 2023

Adjourn

Motion made by Burnham, second Chapman to adjourn at 6:09 PM. All ayes.