

BARNES LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Online via Zoom and in person at Tumwater City Hall, Sunset Room 555 Israel Rd. SW, Tumwater, WA 98501 6:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- Roll Call: Linnea Madison (Vice Chair), Kathy Peterson, Tom Sparks, Jody Keys, Dave Kangiser (Water Resources Specialist), Patrick Sodeburg (Water Resources Manager) Via Zoom: Dana Day, Jerome (JOLT News)

Excused: Judith Loft, Lalani Shelton, Rusty Weaver, Doug Dorling (NWAES Contractor), Dan Smith (Water Resources Director)

3. Introductions and Agenda Review

Member Peterson would like to have paper copies of the agenda available at the meetings. She would also like the agenda that is sent out to reflect that not all committee members will attend remotely. Member Peterson motioned to accept the agenda, Member Sparks seconded the motion and the vote to accept the agenda was unanimous.

- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. June 14, 2023 Steering Committee Meeting

Member Peterson would like to see the members who were excused included in the minutes.

5. Public Comment: Jerome from Jolt News had no comments.

- 6. Member Comment: Member Sparks enjoyed the lake walk.
- Gary Bodeutsch Leadership & Stewardship Award, NALMS Member Peterson described the North American Lake Management Society (NALMS) Leader and Service Award that Chairman Gary Bodeutsch received. Vice Chair Madison read the nomination letter that was submitted for Chairman Bodeutsch who passed away on August 12, 2023.
- 8. Election of Chair: With the passing of Gary Bodeutsch, the Barnes Lake Management District Steering Committee is required to select a new Chair. Member Peterson nominated Vice Chair Linnea Madison. Member Keys seconded the nomination, and the vote was unanimous. Member Peterson commented that Linnea Madison will make a great Chair because she is a great Vice Chair. Member Peterson nominated Member Tom Sparks for Vice Chair. Member Keys seconded the nomination. Member Sparks added a comment about his nomination: He travels frequently and represents the condominium residents that have varied perspectives of the LMD among their residents. The Vice Chair position would put Member Sparks in a tricky position with the residents he represents. He would advocate for a dock at the condominium waterfront to gain support from his constituents. The vote was unanimous to appoint Tom Sparks to Vice Chair. Member Peterson nominated Specialist Kangiser for Recorder. Member Keys seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimously approved.
- 9. Lake Management
 - a. NWAES Update (Dorling): Contractor Dorling improved the boat access at Member Day's property. There were several questions related to the 2023 lake treatment for Contractor Dorling. These questions will be addressed at the next LMD Meeting.
 - b. Lake Levels and Temperature (Kangiser)

This summer has been warm and dry, consequently, lake levels have been too low to conduct routine water quality monitoring. Phosphorus and Nitrogen are nutrients that are inputs into the lake but there is no obvious output. A question was raised about nutrient removal: If floating mats were removed, would that

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help to remove nutrients from the lake? City staff have not heard about this tactic as a best management practice to control nutrients. Phoslock is a proprietary flocculant product that could be added to bind Phosphorous and have it settle out to the bottom of the lake. There was a discussion about outreach strategies for nutrient control to lake front properties (septic O&M, fertilizer use, and stormwater runoff).

- 10. General Business
 - a. Lake Walk Recap (Committee): Low water levels were apparent throughout the lake neighborhoods. Pastor Kellen from the Tumwater United Methodist Church would like a lake walk with Water Resources Manager Sodeburg. It was nice to see Member Shelton's property; a beaver slide is present on her waterfront. There was a noticeable increase in amphibian populations (Northern red-legged frog). Bull frogs used to be prolific, but there were some thoughts that coyotes ate the bullfrogs. Bullfrogs are a predator of the Northern red-legged frogs.
 - b. 2023 Work Plan Review (Kangiser) Specialist Kangiser reviewed the work plan.
 - c. 2023 Budget Review (Kangiser) No changes to the budget.
- 11. Future Agenda Items
 - a. Contractor Dorling to provide a complete summary of the 2023 treatment application.
 - b. Potential sewer leaching on Lark Street.
- 12. Next Meeting Date –November 8, 2023
- 13. Adjourn