



VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST
Lakes Commission Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, November 21, 2023
7:00 p.m.

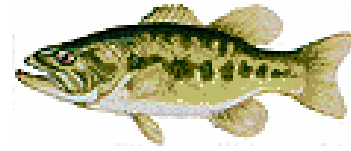
- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from the October 3, 2023 Meeting
- IV. Commissioner Reports
 - A. Chairperson Report (Kraft)
 - B. Individual Lakes Commissioner Reports
 - C. Trustee Report (Dickson)
 - D. Village Report
- V. Old Business
- IV. New Business
 - A. Fisheries Update
 - B. Virtual Meeting Attendance Discussion
 - C. 2023 Budget Cycle Update-Discuss Items for Recommendation and Assign Responsibility
 - a. Lake Depth Study-Approved and In-Process
 - b. Fisheries Survey-COMPLETED
 - c. Water Quality Sampling- Ongoing (Ensure Budget for 2024)
 - d. Lake Potomac Aeration System
 - e. Lake Gates
 - D. Annual LLC Report and Recommendations
- V. Public Participation

Rules for Public Comment: The Village of Lindenhurst welcomes comments from the public during the designated sections of the Village Board meeting. We ask that you keep your comments respectful, civil, and constructive to matters of public policy. Those wishing to comment will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and the total time allotted for public comment will be thirty (30) minutes. The Chair will recognize speakers and may deny someone who has previously addressed the Board an additional opportunity to speak. (VOL Village Code §30.22)

- VI. Adjournment



Lakes Commission Special Meeting
October 3, 2023
7:00 p.m.



Tom Heinrich	Lake Springledge	Jim West	Lake Waterford
P.J. Hilbert	Village at Large	Brad Winter	Lake Potomac
Dave Kraft	Chair & Village at Large	Caly Winter	Village at Large
Kevin Lowry	Village at Large	Pat Dickson	Village Trustee
Fritz Meyers	Village at Large	Clay Johnson	Village Administrator
Carlos Menor Salazar	Lake Linden	Kevin Klahs	Director of Operations
Jim Stout	Park District Liaison	Dominic Marturano	Mayor
			bold = present

- I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm
- II. Roll Call - Members of the Lakes Commission were present as indicated in **bold** above.
- III. Approval of Minutes from the September 19, 2023, Meeting.
 After a discussion about the minutes of the September 19 meeting, it was suggested that the minutes should be amended to reflect that a motion was made by Brad to hold the special meeting of the Lakes Commission on October 10. Brad made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Caley seconded the motion. The motion to approve the amended minutes of the September 19, 2023, minutes carried.

IV. New Business

A. Lake Depth Study - Pending – Dave began the discussion by reminding members of the Lakes Commission that the LLC serves in an advisory capacity to the Village and the Village Board. He reminded commissioners that any initiatives that the LLC endorses must include an explanation of how the initiative relates to the established goals of the LLC. In addition, Dave reiterated the LLC’s recent focus has been on collecting data to help monitor conditions that may support future requests for initiatives. Dave went on to explain that the 3 quotes for the lake depth study were received by the Village and distributed for review by the LLC. The quote from McCloud was \$3,375 for all for lakes plus \$350 per map for larger maps and \$400 per map for legends. The quote from Baxter Woodman was \$8,925, and the quote from Hey and Associates was for \$9,000 for the bathymetric survey. Additional prices were provided by Hey and Associates for possible extra work.

As part of the discussion, Brad asked if each company providing a quote was working from the same work description or scope of work. Kevin K. clarified that each company, indeed, received the same description of work requested. In addition, Kevin read the specifications to the members of the LLC. With respect to how often this kind of survey

would be needed in the future, Dave responded that it would be reasonable to request that a lake depth study be done once per decade to determine if the lakes are losing depth over time and, if so, at what rate. Brad questioned how the survey would deal with areas of the lakes that were too shallow for mapping. Dave responded that this is a consideration, but mapping of shallow areas can often be done using a johnboat. In addition, the work can often be supplemented with a ground survey. As the discussion continued, Caley asked if the quote from Hey and Associates was still accurate given the date of the quote. Dave said that the quote was indeed still good. Brad suggested that the Hey quote appeared to be done more professionally, and that there was the likelihood for better communication with Hey and Associates. Fritz expressed his agreement with Brad's opinion. Kevin L. asked if there was anything else that the Village would want to know about the project or our recommendation for a vendor. He said that he wanted to avoid forwarding recommendations without doing our due diligence. Kevin K. clarified that this was not a bid as the proposal was for under \$10,000. After some additional discussion, Brad made a motion that the LLC approve Hey and Associates to do a bathymetric survey for each of the four lakes for the quote of \$9,000 to be completed by the end of 2023. Kevin L. seconded the motion.

Roll call for the vote was as follows:

Tom Heinrich	Yes
P.J. Hilbert	Absent
Dave Kraft	Recuse
Kevin Lowry	Yes
Fritz Meyers	Yes
Carlos Menor Salazar	Yes
Jim West	Absent
Brad Winter	Yes
Caly Winter	Yes

The motion carried.

- B. Fisheries Update and Stocking Discussion – Dave began the discussion by informing members of the LLC that there were no dollars in the budget for stocking this year. He went on to mention that there had been discussions of possible fish stocking donations. Kevin K. confirmed that there was no money left in the budget that could go toward fish stocking, and any stocking would have to be out of pocket. Dave added that any stocking recommendations would have to be communicated to the fishery by October 11. Caley added that there are concerns about fish stocking because of the condition of our lakes. Brad added that he would be willing to donate minnow stocking for Potomac.

Additional discussions of donations for fish stocking included talk of an individual who expressed an interest in donating to Lake Linden. Pat responded that he would try to talk to the potential donor but that everything would need to be done very quickly to meet the fisheries deadline. As the discussion continued, there was concern that there might not be enough time to implement a plan to accept donations and order the fish by the October 11 deadline communicated by Keystone Fisheries. In addition, there was concern that the

Village may have concerns about a fish stocking donation for only one lake, and not the other 3. Caly added that all lakes should be our concern. In addition, there was concern over the precedent of having residents pay for and decide what kinds of fish should be stocked rather than having recommendations approved through the Lakes Commission and Village. Fritz continued the discussion by suggesting that a reasonable course of action might be to request \$500 in stocking next year. Dave added that he was just trying to be sensitive to the wishes of some people who wanted to donate money and time to help their lake. He added that Fall is typically a better time than Spring to stock fish because the cold water is healthy for the fish, and they become more established by Spring. In addition, fish tend to cost more in the Spring. Tom suggested that, in light of possible concerns by the Village administration, it seemed like scrambling to try to get donations collected and fish ordered by October 11. Tom added that he was not happy with E.A.'s stocking recommendations as they had no recommendation for stocking Springledge at all, even though the recent fish survey showed that Springledge's fish population is 80% bluegill. Dave responded that Kevin has been in contact with representatives at EA to get better information.

As the discussion ended, there was general consensus that Pat would communicate with individuals who offered to donate to tell them that their offer was appreciated but cannot take place for this Fall. Dave suggested that the LLC might engage in future discussions about how donations for stocking might be workable for the future. For example, he mentioned that perhaps a fish stocking donation page might be developed for the Village website. There was no motion and no recommendation pertaining to fish stocking following the discussion.

- C. 2024 Budget Cycle Update – Discuss Items for Recommendation and Assign Responsibility. – Dave began the discussion by saying that the LLC came out of 2023 with the data we wanted to gather. For the upcoming year, he said that if we request dollars for capital funding, we should consider attending budget discussion meetings. In addition, we should provide written recommendations clearly explaining how our proposed initiatives will assist us in achieving our approved goals. Based on Dave's suggestion, there was general consensus that future lake specific proposals should be initiated and researched by the LLC representative of the specific lake. There was general agreement with Dave's suggestion.

Fisheries - Dave volunteered to put together a fish stocking budgeting request for next year. He said that his request would likely be approximately \$5,000.

Lake Potomac Aeration System - With respect to the aeration project for Potomac, Brad volunteered to research the issue in the next month, but he would like to see the results of the depth study. He suggested that we may consider requesting a consultation fee rather than aeration for next year.

Lake Gates – Dave said that it is up to Jim to propose what he would like to have done with respect to lake gates. Fritz commented that he thought Jim was concerned about unauthorized boaters using our lakes. Therefore, Fritz wondered if revisions to sticker procedures and signage might address Jim's concerns. Brad suggested that the LLC should have a budget line item for better signage. In addition, he suggested that we continue to discuss this issue in November, at our next meeting.

In conjunction with the discussion about signage, Dave asked whether our fishing regulations should be revisited along with revisions to signage. After some discussion, there was general agreement that once we are satisfied with the details of the fish survey, we can decide if some of the fishing regulation signs need to be changed. Nevertheless, Kevin K. explained that signage expenditures would not come from the LLC budget.

Prior to a close to the discussion, it was reiterated that members of the LLC should come to the November meeting with budget ideas for next year. Caly asked whether Clay might be available to attend the November meeting.

- D. Annual LLC Report and Recommendations – Dave reminded members of the LLC that he will be drafting a one-page newsletter to the Village Board about our experiences/activities over the course of the last season. Tom reminded Dave that other members of the LLC wanted to have the opportunity to review the newsletter/report before it is submitted to the Village Board.

Following this discussion, Caly asked about the possibility of members of the LLC having the ability to attend LLC meetings virtually in the future. Kevin K. clarified that the LLC would have to have a remote attendance policy in place first. Kevin went on to say that he would distribute the policy already in place for the Village board. Caly said that she would like to have the ability to participate in the discussion of such a policy for the LLC, and there was discussion that an agenda item will be added to the next meeting's agenda to discuss this type of policy. Kevin K. added that a quorum must already be present for a person to participate virtually. In other words, the person attending virtually cannot count toward achieving a quorum.

V. Public Participation – None

- VI. Adjournment – A motion was made by Brad and seconded by Carlos. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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