



"Changing our World One Drop at a Time"

**Waterford Waterway Management District
Annual Meeting Minutes
September 27, 2014**

1. Call to Order

Chairman Barb Baron called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM at the Waterford Town Hall, Waterford, WI.

2. Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Barb Baron reviewed the past year. One goal was to communicate better; a second was to have committee chairs respond to emails and questions. She felt that that had been done in 99% of the cases.

A lot of new things have been tied, like in treating aquatic plants.

The District has submitted an application for the restoration of the waterway was submitted to the WDNR (Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources) and the Army Corps of Engineers. They will have a response from them by the end of November for changes. After that, the permit will be issued.

Our goal is for other agencies, state, federal, town and so forth to carry the financial burden of this project. That means that we are not trying to bring the cost to the homeowners. On June 27th we had an informational meeting. 250-300 letters went to the governor, Kathy Step, Senator Lazich, and Representative David Craig. In July, we met with Kathy Step, Mary Lazich, David Craig, and Jim Ladwig of Racine County, who were all in support t o f this project.

Senator Lazich recommended that we have an advisory committee of the town, village, the county, SEWRPC, WDNR, and the FRC (Fox River Commission). A meeting was held in July and the goal is to get funding put on their budgets. Speaker Robin Voss told us that when we go to the state for money, we have to show support of the local municipalities (town, Village & County). We hope to approach each of them to get something in their budgets. We also talked with US Representative Paul Ryan and a grant writer in his office. We have also met with Runzheimer.

When we have the permit, we can proceed with bidding. Once we have the costs, we can then go for grants.

We are all indebted and grateful for all of the volunteers.

Everything that we are doing comes to the riparian owners for a vote.

3. Introduction of Commissioners and volunteers

Chairman Baron introduced the current commissioners; Barbara Baron, Don Baron, Andres Peekna, Mike Waghorn, Gary Bluemel and Paul Kling; volunteers Margaret Shoptaw, Stephanie Waghorn, Gary Hanson, Donna Derse, Lynn Stanley, Sue Peekna, Dick & Pat Kosut, John Bjork, John Bostrom and Geoff Parish. Mike Engleson, executive Director of the Wisconsin Association of Lakes, was the moderator.

4. Approval of Minutes

- ✓ Motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2013 Annual Meeting was made by Doug Schwartz, 2nd by John Bostrom. Approved unanimously.

5. Budget

Ted Derse presented the proposed 2015 budget which included a review of the 2014 actual expenses, while going over individual items of the proposed 2015 budget. Individual committees review their requests.

6. Vote on the budget and special charge.

- ✓ Motion made by Dan Dickenson, to remove \$13,600 (oversized postcards) and \$5,000 (consultant) from the Information and Education budget and move that \$18,600 into the Aquatics Plants budget. Second by Bob Miller. Vote: 7 Yes, 50 No. Motion Failed.
- ✓ Motion made by Paul Beyer to approve the budget as presented, seconded by Dan Alvey. Vote: 71 Yes, 11 No. Budget Passed

7. Presentation of WWMD Water Drop Award

This year's award was presented to Kelly Cornelius for her years of service on the board.

8. Election of Commissioners

Ballot prepared by the District was issued to all qualified riparian owners. Barb Baron and Andres Peekna were nominated for reelection. The results were Barb Baron - 64 (votes), Andres Peekna - 44, Jason Dolphin - 33, Paul Beyer - 2, Sue Scalla - 1, and Dennis Scalla - 1. Barb Baron and Andres Peekna were reelected for 3 year terms.

9. Annual Meeting

Motion to hold the next annual meeting on September 26, 2015 was made by Paul Bayer, seconded by Nancy Bluemel. Approved unanimously.

10. Adjournment

- ✓ A motion to adjourn was made by Donna Derse, seconded by Margret Shoptaw. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Kling
WWMD Secretary

The next annual meeting will be held on September 26, 2015.