



**Lakes Commission Meeting
March 21, 2017
7:00 p.m.**



Ken Funk	Lake Waterford	Ralph Kostreva	Village at Large
Tom Heinrich	Lake Springledge	Julian Rumowski	Village at Large
Brad Winter	Lake Potomac	Kevin Lowry	Village at Large
Sean Stokes	Lake Linden	Matt Formica	Village Administrator
P.J. Hilbert	Village at Large	Jim Stout	Park District Liaison
Sandy Leibolt	Village at Large	Kevin Klahs	Director of Operations

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

Minutes from the meeting of January 17, 2017 – A motion was made by Kevin L. and seconded by Ken F. to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

IV. Communications and Correspondence

- Welcome Brad Winter – Ken informed the members of the LLC that Brad Winter was approved by the Village as a new member of the Lindenhurst Lakes Commission. Brad was out of town and was unable attend tonight's meeting.
- Farewell to Sandy Leibolt- Ken thanked Sandy for her dedicated service to the Lakes Commission over the years, and wished her luck as she relocates.
- 32nd Annual Illinois Lakes Management Association Conference will be held March 30th to April 1, 2017, at the Holiday Inn Crystal Lake Conference Center in Crystal Lake, IL. – Ken reminded members of the LLC that this conference is coming up, and encouraged those who could attend to do so. Ken added that Frank Jakubicek of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources will be in attendance.

V. Old Business

1. Grasslake Road shoreline restoration update – Kevin K. updated the LLC by communicating that the new budget includes a proposal that \$3,000 be available for the annual maintenance of the Lake Potomac shoreline stabilization area. This was approved at yesterday's preliminary budget discussion and will be brought forward to the budget hearing.
2. Budget update: The LLC's proposed budget is being presented to the Village Board.
3. ILM Contract update: Per the recommendation of the LLC, the Board approved a 3 year contract with ILM for management of all four of the Village lakes.
4. Coal tar sealants update: Tom made a presentation to the Village Board earlier in the month, requesting that the Board consider a Village-wide coal tar sealant ban. The Village Board engaged in a brief discussion and decided that they are in favor of

seeking more information on the matter. Tom provided Matt F. with various summary documents including some information about how certain surrounding municipalities deal with the ban.

VI. New Business

1. Brad Winter - Lake Potomac commissioner – Ken informed members of the LLC that new commissioner, Brad Winter, has requested that he be able to represent Lake Potomac on the LLC. Tom made a motion that Brad Winter be appointed as Lake Potomac's representative on the LLC. Kevin L. seconded the motion. The motion carried.
2. Earth Day Planning – Ken suggested that we feature pictures and information about the Grasslake restoration project as a part of our Earth Day initiatives on April 22. Kevin L. asked if before and after pictures of the Potomac shoreline restoration project would be available. In addition, Ken suggested that we put together some display posters so that we can communicate the harmful effects of coal tar sealants on the watershed. Tom and Kevin volunteered to try to obtain some information brochures on the subject before April 22. Tom added that the prizes for the “fishing pond” had already been ordered.
3. Shoreline restoration resident program – Tom mentioned that he had drafted some information about the shoreline stabilization program that he would like to pass out during the Earth Day activities. The drafted information included a brief description of the program's benefits; a list of native plants that would qualify for 50% reimbursement; and a blank application form. These documents could be mailed or emailed to the homes of lakeshore property owners as well. Jim suggested that sources to purchase the native plants should be included on the forms somewhere.
4. Effect of the unusual winter on our lakes – Ken said that he had communicated with Mike Adam of the Lake County Health Department about what to expect on our lakes in light of the unusually mild winter. According to Ken, Mike suggested that the algae blooms will likely be happy, but lakeshore homeowners will likely not.
5. Lake Linden – Ken informed members of the LLC that Frank Jakubicek of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources has agreed to install fyke nets on Lake Linden in an effort to see how many northern pike may still be in the lake. The setting of these nets will likely be in the next week or so.

In addition, the proliferation of algal blooms on Lake Linden was discussed. Ken mentioned that he sent April (of ILM) a note about the massive amounts of algae. April responded that if the algae continues to grow, ILM will treat it. Ken said that April mentioned that copper sulfate is ineffective unless the temperature is at least 60 degrees. She said that they would consider the use of Sonar during the last week in March. Tom added that there were significant algae problems on Springledge Lake as well.

6. April 18th Meeting – Ken suggested a meeting of the LLC on April 18 to finish coordinating details for the upcoming Earth Day Event. It was agreed that a meeting was needed. In addition, it was suggested that Alana Bartolai of the Lake County Health Department be invited to the April 18 meeting to do a brief report on the water quality of our lakes.

VII. Commissioner Report & VLMP Report

1. Waterford – Ken reported that Lake Waterford had neither algae nor floating fish. He added that the water was crystal clear, and he has observed Northern Shovelers on the lake.

2. Linden – The condition of Lake Linden had been discussed earlier in the meeting. There were no reports of a fish kill despite the algae.

3. Springledge – Tom reiterated that about one-half of the lake was covered with algae. Nevertheless, the water was very clear. In addition, an unusually high number of buffleheads have been frequenting the lake.

4. Potomac– No report

VIII. Public Participation: Resident, Ryan Brandes, suggested that a lap top computer be used by members of the LLC during Earth Day activities so that some of the interesting information on the web site can be communicated.

IX. Adjournment –There was a motion made Sandy to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ken. The meeting ended at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Heinrich - VP
Recording Secretary

LLC Public Participants

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Ryan Brandes	2414 Highland

Reminder: Next Meeting Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

