Roll Call:

Present; Jack Sorenson, Dean Bostrom, John Summers, Greg Wisniewski, Don Sukala, Jim Kroeplin

Not Present; Sue Pruessing

Approve Agenda:

The agenda was unanimously approved on a Summers/Sukala motion

Approve Minutes of the April 24, 2021 Meeting

The Minutes of the April 24, 2021 Board Meeting were unanimously approved on a Wisniewski/Bostrom motion.

Open Comments:

An update on the Country Club Drive Inlet installation was requested. Don Sukala explained that Gavers Pavers would be removing and replacing a portion of the roadway to provide better drainage into the new drain. After the new drain functions for awhile the casting may be replaced if it is determined there may be a better option.

A question was raised about the Town of LaGrange Ordinance for bubblers. Individuals will need to contact the Town to discuss the current ordinance.

A question was asked about the attendance of the County representative at the Board Meetings. Jack Sorenson stated that the County representative has been very helpful in a number of discussions that have involved County agencies. Attendance to the meetings is not a concern.

Discuss and Consider the use of Winter Time Bubblers to Eliminate Ice

A few Green Lake residents expressed concern about not being able to have permitted bubblers for the removal if ice around their piers and boat lifts. There was extended discussion about the safety of bubblers and the risk of having potentially significant areas of open water extending out from the shoreline in the winter. Currently the Town of LaGrange does not allow bubblers except for inside wet boat houses. It was mentioned that a number of other local lakes do not allow shoreline bubblers. The general consensus of the board was not in favor of bubblers, however there was no motion made to allow or prevent bubblers. LLLMD will defer to the Town of LaGrange for their determination. Don Sukala will request that this topic be included on the agenda for the July 12, 2021 Town Board Meeting.

Discuss the Removal of Dead Trees at the Community Center on Sterlingworth Drive and Possible Recommendation for Lighting Improvements.

Dead trees have been removed. Additional pruning and dead tree removal will be completed around the Maintenance Building and Sterlingworth Drive.

Concern was expressed about the need for tree removal and lighting near the intersection of Sterlingworth Drive and 12/67. This is a State Hwy so WisDOT would likely have jurisdiction.

It was suggested that a sign and light could be installed for the Community Center.

Jack Sorenson will contact Sue Pruessing at Walworth County about help with street lights at intersections around the lake.

Concern was expressed about the dead tree in the slow no wake channel between Middle and Green lakes. DNR indicates that fallen trees should not be removed unless a navigation hazard.

Discus options for Adding Sanitary Sewer for Properties around the Lake

Jim Kroeplin mentioned that it may be a good time to coordinate a feasibility study for installing sanitary sewers around portions of the lake. Over the last few years we have seen the size of homes and the number of people in homes increase creating more pressure on the septic systems. There are also more permanent residents. There are new technologies present for low pressure sewer systems that may present a viable option. Not all of the lake area may be in need of this option but a feasibility study would help identify the areas most in need. This project may be a 10-15 year endeavor so it would be good to start evaluating the options to helping preserve the lake water quality.

It was mentioned that there was a study completed a number of years ago that could be reviewed to assist in the decision about completing a feasibility study.

Treasurers Report and 2022 Initial Budget Review

Greg Wisniewski presented a draft of the proposed 2022 Budget for review and discussion. The budget needs to be approved prior to the Annual meeting in early September. After discussion, it was suggested that a number of items be increased. Additional monies were suggested for;

- 1. Don Jean Bay shoreline restoration, \$20,000 (\$10000 increase)
- 2. #1 tee drainage, \$10,000 (\$10000 increase)
- 3. Watershed Study, \$20,000 (\$10000 increase)
- 4. Clubhouse structural safety repairs, \$25000 (\$10000 increase)
- 5. Water Safety Patrol body cameras, \$20,000 (\$20000 increase)
- 6. Water Safety Patrol boat engine replacement, \$25,000 (\$25000 increase)
- 7. Isolation valves for the irrigation system
- 8. Select asphalt paving of cart paths and cart storage area.
- 9. Additional golf carts are needed for a ranger and increasing the number that are leased.

- 10. A new bank mower is needed for maintaining the sloped areas of the course.
- 11. Continue to add to the clubhouse replacement reserve account.

We have received a proposal for engineering of the drainage concerns at No. 1 Tee. Additional dollars will be included in the budget.

A reserve amount should also be included to replace the septic system for the clubhouse.

A suggestion was made to get a defibrillator for the clubhouse and training of golf course personnel.

Greg will revise the proposed budget to include these items and present it at the next meeting for additional discussion and approval. The tax levy is determined by using the approved budget amount and reducing it by expected cash on hand at the end of the year.

Discuss Public Boat Ramp Parking Issues

The Town of LaGrange recently passed an ordinance prohibiting parking along the roadways without homeowner permission. It is currently under review by the Town attorney. Walworth County Sheriffs Patrol will be the enforcing agency. Jack Sorenson has sent a letter to Walworth County Sheriff about the parking concerns near the boat ramps. Our Water Safety Patrol does police the parking at the boat ramps. It would be preferred for WSP to stay on the water and parking be policed by Walworth County Sheriff.

**Project Reports** 

Golf Course Dean Bostrom

June 12 was the 100 year celebration for the golf course. The event was a big success. Thank you to the sponsors and employees. Golf course play is good this year.

Town of LaGrange Don Sukala

A public meeting for the Deacon Island Bridge project will be held Saturday, July 17 at Town Hall from 10:00-12:00. Construction is scheduled for fall/winter 2022.

Some type of acknowledgement would be appropriate for the years of service of Chief Ken Blanke

Launch ramp fees will be raised for 2022 to \$5, daily; \$30, annual and \$500 for commercial pier contractors.

Dam Jim Kroeplin

Water elevation of the lake last week was 884.49 which is about 2" below the average reading for last year. Request was made to put some historic water levels on the website.

Don Jean Bay Shoreline Jim Kroeplin

Plans and specs are being prepared for the shoreline restoration project. We hope to get out for bid in mid July. Construction is expected this fall.

Watershed Study Jim Kroeplin

Consultant is working on the study. There will be a public zoom meeting on Wednesday, June 30 from 6:30 to 7:15 PM to provide more information. The previous study completed in 1998 has been placed on the District website

Water Safety Patrol Jim Kroeplin

We have had scattered problems with the patrol boats including fuel issues and battery problems. Would like to purchase body cameras for the officers. Cost is \$15-20000 the first year and \$5000 per year after for five years. We would use the same company as Walworth County. We would need to have a specific policy for use and operation of the cameras.

A brief listing of WSP citations and contact information was given. No OWIs yet this year. In general the lake has been a little quieter and not many problems.

Meetings were held last winter to improve coordination between Town Rescue and our WSP. They now have the same radios for direct communication. Sterlingworth and Pebble Beach have been designated pick up points for emergency situations. Signs should be posted soon.

Septics John Summers

No new information

Piers John Summers

The new ordinance has been reviewed by the Town attorney and has been sent to DNR for their review and approval.

APM Greg Wisniewski

Grant dollars are coming. The new harvester is being built. We hope to receive it in August.

The trailer should be available near the end of the year.

Lots of weeds are being harvested already. Sensitive areas can be started June 30.

Clean Boat Clean Waters Jack Sorenson

The program has started at the boat ramps

Next meeting will be held on July 17, 2021

## Other Business

Town of LaGrange is purchasing road address signs to be posted lake side to aid rescue response

Two Commissioner positions are up for election this year. Nomination forms need to be submitted 30 days prior to the annual meeting on September 4.

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned on a Kroeplin/Sukala motion at 9:58 AM