



**CITY OF DELAFIELD
MEETING MINUTES
LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Chair: Mike Hausman

Members: Jerry Dunnick, Gayle Gaborsky, Ald. Paul Price, Andrew Vrakas, Susan McVey, Mark Millot, Chris Arndt, Sarah Reardon, Louis Scopp, Don Tills

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

6:00 p.m.

City Hall, Council Chambers
500 Genesee St.

Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order

Chair Hausman called the Wednesday, May 11, 2022, Lake Welfare Committee meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call

Present

Mike Hausman, Chair
Ald. Paul Price
Sarah Reardon
Susan McVey
Jerry Dunnick
Don Tills
Louis Scopp
Gayle Gaborsky
Mark Millot
Andrew Vrakas

Absent

Chris Arndt

4. Special Order of Business.

A. Election of Lake Welfare Committee Chairperson:

Motion was made by Mark Millot to elect Mike Hausman as the Lake Welfare Committee Chairperson, seconded by Don Tills and carried by the following vote: Yes - 10; No - 0

B. Election of Lake Welfare Committee Vice Chairperson:

Motion was made by Jerry Dunnick to elect Gayle Gaborsky as the Lake Welfare Committee Vice Chairperson, seconded by Susan McVey and carried by the following vote: Yes – 10; No – 0

C. Designation of Lake Welfare representative to the Plan Commission:

Motion was made by Susan McVeigh to elect Mike Hausman as the Lake Welfare Committee representative to the City of Delafield Plan Commission and carried by the following vote: Yes – 10; No – 0.

5. Approve minutes

- A. April 13, 2022 regular minutes: No changes were made the minutes were approved as submitted.

6. Citizen Comment

There being no one present to speak the Citizen Comments was closed at 6:05 p.m.

7. Unfinished Business

- A. SEWRPC study: Follow-up Items
- Discussion with Brian Pehl from SEH.

Mike Hausman introduced Brian Pehl to discuss the maps that were done by SEH and how they can help the Lake Welfare Committee. Brian stated he has been with SEH for 24 years and works with Mike Court on this project. He stated he coordinated the modeling for the MS4 Program/Permit and the DMTL. He explained that it is DNR & EPA permitting. This program began in 2004, with the first annual report being done in 2006. Most of this program is based on modeling software, but he stated that some actual testing is done each year as well. He gave statistics over the years and explained that the maps he had provided to the Lake Welfare Committee show the different areas and where there are problems, based on modeling and the color coding and number system on the map for the run-off areas. He talked about some statistics behind the permitting and the expectations and stated that Delafield has met those requirements and has never had an audit, which is very good.

Mike Hausman mentioned that the Lake Welfare Committee had been using Lake Plan that was completed by SEWRPC to focus on areas that needed improvement. Pehl stated that he had not seen that Study and asked if Hausman could forward him a copy of that. Pehl stated that the Committee could help by identifying and tracking run off areas and report these to SEH. He also mentioned that other areas that are trying to handle these situations totally hands on, instead of using modeling to help, are not meeting the requirements. There was continued discussion between the committee members and Brian Pehl on areas such as watersheds, grass swales, detention & retention ponds in subdivisions. There is some belief that some of these things are not being effective because the grass swales are the wrong kind of grass and being constantly mowed and detention pond that have been disabled and no longer work for the subdivision, they are in. Vrakas questioned if it is better to spend a small amount on a large problem and only partially resolve it, or to resolve small issues first. Pehl stated that fully resolving a small issue would be better than partial resolution to a bigger issue. There were more questions about modeling versus actual testing. Pehl stated that modeling is done by land use and generalization and that the modeling is updated every few years with minimal physical testing being done.

It was suggested that the Lake Welfare Committee track and report some of the run off issues that the are seeing, to SEH, as well as think of other alternatives, such as the possibility of offering incentives to farmers & subdivisions for maintaining the run off from those areas. It was decided that the committee would discuss this information further and pick the best areas, with further input from SEH, that are the most problematic. Brian Pehl told the committee that he would forward pdf files of all the maps he had at the meeting to Mike Hausman if anyone was interested in copies of those.

B. “Welcome to the Lake” program.

Don Tills reported that 5 properties on the lake have been sold and that he would be delivering 4 of the welcome packets to those new owners. Hausman informed the committee that he has been hearing good feedback on the welcome packets. Vrakas stated that the packets provided good lake education materials.

C. Updates to the Lake Welfare Committee web page and the Lake Management web page on the City of Delafield website.

Hausman stated he has not made any progress on this item and if anyone was willing to step up and help out with this, the help would be welcomed.

D. Boathouse renovation requirements and Lake Welfare Committee role.

Hausman stated that he had talked with Administrator Hafner & Building Inspector Hussinger regarding this item, as stated in Municipal Code under Ordinance 52-25. According to this, the property owner should come to the Lake Welfare Committee for a recommendation to the Plan Commission if they need a permit. It was questioned what work requires a permit and Hausman stated he would work with Hussinger to know what does or does not require a permit. Tills didn't remember anyone ever coming to the Lake Welfare Committee before and thought it would be good for the committee to be looped in with the Building Inspector on projects. Hausman said that he would continue working with Hussinger and that they would discuss this item further in the future.

8. New Business

A. Goose Egg Oiling and Roundup for 2022.

Hausman informed the committee that the DNR permit was issued, but felt that the timeframe was missed, since they are already seeing goslings. He was going to check on the USDA work and thought the round up would be around the 2nd week of June. A few stated that there didn't seem to be large numbers of geese/goslings along the lake this year. One person did state that there were larger numbers of them on the south end of the lake, around St. John's Bay.

B. Chemical weed treatments for 2022.

Hausman stated that this was budgeted and he would talk to Administrator Hafner about the timing of this happening, possibly mid-June.

C. Boat Slip regulations, pertaining to Seven Seas.

Ald. Price stated that Seven Seas does not having any slips for rent and would only be using their slips for customer use. McVey questioned how many slips would be allowed and it was stated that this would be monitored and checked back on.

9. Requested Future Agenda Items.

- 1) Help with the Communicator article
- 2) Price asked to bring back discussion on the Amendment for Green Space that was to have been previously submitted to the Plan Commission that he and Gaborsky had put together.

10. Correspondence.

There was no correspondence.

11. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Lake Welfare Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dot Newberg
Administrative Support