

### Minutes

Present: Dave Deltgen, Michael Madden, Bob Carlson, Barbara Maley, Dale Sankey, Guests: Keifer Sroka, & Patrick Kilbey

Absent: Brooke Cooper, Jeff Marshall, John Konkol, Mike Atterberry, Liz Lehr, Tim McFadden, Steve Lizer, Pam Klein, Sally Danke

- 1) County Land Conservationists: Pat Kilbey (Marquette) Keifer Sroka (Adams) shared the results of Shoreline assessments they completed in December. Lower scores are “better.”

Property	County	Stormwater/Upland	Shoreline*	Riparian Buffer	Total
1	Adams	16	0	24	<b>40</b>
2	Marquette	18	0	18	<b>36</b>
3	Adams	16	3	15	<b>34</b>
4	Adams	11	0	23	<b>34</b>
5	Adams	11	0	20	<b>31</b>
6	Adams	14	3	12	<b>29</b>
7	Marquette	10	0	9	<b>19</b>

\* Shoreline criteria scores awarded with "0" denote functioning riprap or a similar practice is present

- a) Shared / discussed the attached Shore Score Sheet used for these assessments done by Patrick and Keifer together.
- b) Shared / discussed the report to be provided by the Counties to those property owners who volunteered to have an assessment done. See the attached redacted Trip Report as an example.
- c) Also discussed was the discovery that several properties on Golden Drive have water running across the road onto their properties and then directly into the lake. This problem will be reported by Keifer to DATCP (Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection) as this is the agency responsible for road drainage / culverts, etc.
- d) The county has experience assisting with the plans and grants. Adams county has done about 20 of these projects and Marquette County almost 30. Shoreline owners may ask to have an assessment done by the County. The County would work with the landowner to develop a plan.
  - i) If shoreline plantings are recommended the County can apply for a Healthy Lakes and Rivers Grant (\$1000.00 reimbursement for the plants) for the landowner. A grant is being held by Marquette County for Bella Goose, a coffee shop in Briggsville.
  - ii) If Lake Mason Management District had expertise it could write the grant requests. It was agreed the LMMD does not currently have the expertise.
- e) In conclusion:
  - i) The Trip Reports will be sent by the County to the 7 property owners.
  - ii) Barb will draft (and send to Dave, Mike, Patrick & Keifer for review):

- (1) a letter from the LMIC to the 7 landowners that were assessed in December to thank them for participating and encouraging them to work with the County to develop their plan for “improvements.”
  - (2) a letter to the few properties that had volunteered to be assessed and did not get assessed apologizing for be missed and offering to have them rescheduled. If they have any questions they may contact the county of the LMIC members.
- f) Bob will draft an article for the LM newsletter. This article will be reviewed by Patrick and Keifer prior to publication.
  - g) Probable plan will be to have Patrick and/or Keifer complete a cursory full lake shoreline assessment from a boat this summer to assess the overall state of the lake’s shoreline. LMIC will provide support for this.
    - i) We could then reach out to those that already have good buffer zone plantings to offer them a yard sign and possibly use them as good examples of what landowners can do.
    - h) Agreed that the LMIC will reach out to Bella Goose to encourage / support their completing buffer zone plantings that would be touted as a great example: publicized by signs, newsletter article, social media notices, etc. LMIC members could help with plantings, weeding, watering, etc.
      - i) Barb and Bob will attempt to meet with Bella Goose personal this weekend.
- 2) Bouy task force members are: Michael Madden, Bob Carlson, John Konkol, Sally Danke, Mike Atterberry. This group is planning to meet this Saturday @ 3pm @ Foxy’s.
    - a) Goal is to “Develop and institute a plan to explore options for the usage/disposition of old spray lane buoys.”
    - b) Possible Outcomes / Uses:
      - i) Remove all buoys
      - ii) Reestablish channel and use as markers
      - iii) Use as No wake markers
      - iv) Use to mark stumps and other hazards
    - c) Objectives
      - i) Maintain Collective Progress
      - ii) Establish 2-3 feasible options for buoy placement and usage
      - iii) Complete proposals with recommendations and present to Commission (subcommittee of the LMMD Board) by June 2025
      - iv) Finalize plan, present to District at annual meeting (August/Sept)
      - v) Launch plan, fully implemented for buoy placement (spring 2026)
- 3) Tabled: Engagement Project
    - a) Reps give updates on additional residents they have met with: name, address, date of meeting.
    - b) Reps are to hold onto the packets that have not been given to neighbors. Do NOT mail them or leave them with others as the purpose of the Engagement Project is to get to know the neighbors and build a sense of community. Continue to gather reports of neighbor meetings at upcoming committee meetings.
    - c) Adding the previously “missed” LMMD residents after Board has finalized the list.
- 4) Next meeting Monday, February 3 @ 11:30 AM by Zoom.