# Cedar Meadow Lake Watershed District Minutes of Management Committee Meeting October 11, 2023

The meeting commenced at 8:05 PM on Zoom Meeting (Meeting ID: 868 3005 8875 Passcode: 821920)

In attendance: Tommy Lee, Chairman

Brian Waterman, Vice Chairman Richard Carr, Committee Member

Jillian Spratt, District Clerk

Terence O'Coin, District Treasurer

## **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

The previously distributed minutes of the September Monthly meeting (9/13/2023) were offered for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Lee as written and modified, and seconded by Mr. Carr and voted unanimously.

## Clerk's Report

Clerk's report of communications for the period of September 14, 2023 - October 11, 2023:

- 9/14/2023 Renewal quote received via email from Mr. Stephen J. Perry from Braley & Wellington Insurance Agency re: annual insurance policy.
- 9/18/2023 Mrs. Spratt emailed Gannett Legals Public Notices re: Notice for Tax Classification Hearing
- 9/27/2023 CMLWD received Notification to Abutters re: Repair/Reconstruction of a Title
   5 Spetic System at 19 & 21 Marlboro Drive (aka 54 Fairview Drive) from Douglas and Shelley Cook
- 10/5/2023 Email correspondence between Mr. Brian Falk from Mirick, O'Connell, DeMallie & Lougee, LLP and Mr. Lee re: Release of Eminent Domain\
- 10/8/2023 Email from Mrs. Stiles Mr. Lee
- Mr. Lee was contacted by Steve Terrien, Commissioner from the Stiles Watershed Management Committee regarding information on drawdown levels and procedures for the winter season.

## **Treasurer's Report**

A Treasurer's Report dated 10/11//23 showed that the District had \$231,009.67 on deposit. \$40,988.69 was on deposit in the checking account. The report shows 1 deposit from tax collections in the amounts of \$2,597.59; 1 payment of \$148 to Jillian Spratt for the reimbursement of the yearly PO Box rental; 1 payment of \$49.56 to Gatehouse Media Massachusetts I, Inc. for the Legal ad in WTAG for tax classification hearing held on Oct 11. Of this amount \$127,927.97 was deposited in the Money Market account containing betterment payments. The report shows 1 deposit from Betterment collections in the amount of \$21,546.21 and 1 interest deposit in the amount of \$4.23. The dam stabilization account contains

\$60,915.33. The report shows 1 interest deposit in the amounts of: \$7.26. \$1,177.68 was in the stabilization account.

Mr. O'Coin is seeking approval for Warrant #255. A motion was made by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Carr and voted unanimously.

## **Tax Payment & Betterment Payment Updates**

92 proprietors pay tax to the District. Mr. O'Coin reported 73 paid partially, 1 paid in full, 18 have not yet paid. To date, 22.15% of annual taxes have been collected.

There have been no recent betterment payoffs. 41 betterments remain. Of those 41, 7 have paid in full for FY2023, 26 have paid partially, and 8 have yet to pay. The district has received 50% of planned collections to date.

#### **Old Business**

## Lake Clarity & Level Management Update

Mr. Lee reported the lower gate valve is still open. Lake levels continue to be very high.

#### **Dam Maintenance and Dam Crest**

Mr. Lee reported that the dam crest continues to be in good condition.

## **Weed Treatment & Water Quality Monitoring**

The Management Committee reported no changes or updates to report at this time.

#### **New Business**

- Dam Inspection:
  - Mr. Lee has reached out to Lenard Engineering without response. Mr. Lee will
    continue to follow up with them about scheduling an inspection of the dam.
  - Mr. Waterman reported that the voids on the dam crest still need to be remediated. Mr. Lee would like to discuss with Lenard Engineering re: recommendation for appropriate fill and remediation for the voids on the dam crest.
- The Opening of the lower channel will occur the last weekend of October / beginning of November as per the district's Order of Conditions with the DEP.

#### **Executive Session**

The regular meeting of the management committee was not recessed for an executive session.

## **Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Management Committee is scheduled for **8:00 P.M.** on **Wednesday**, **November 8**, **2023** by Zoom Meeting. PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME.

## Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Carr voted unanimously to adjourn the	е
meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 P.M.	

A True Copy Attest:

Jillian Spratt, District Clerk