

## Montello Lake Inland Protection and Rehabilitation District

Minutes – Annual Meeting – September 9, 2023 – Montello City Hall – 10:00 am

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1. Call Meeting to Order by Mimi Pierson at 10:02
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call – Present: Sandee Muchka, Treasurer; Don Gibson, Secretary; Ken Borzick, county representative; Vanise Muglar, town representative; and Mimi Pierson, Board Chairperson
4. Agenda – read and approved by all board members
5. Minutes – 07/08/2023 read and approved by all Board Members
6. Old Business
  - a. Herbicide Treatment June 26, 2023, by Wisconsin Lake and Pond. Two acres were treated due to weed burden. The second treatment was not performed due to reduction of weed load in the lake. Our permits are for Navigational lanes.
7. New Business
  - a. Non-binding bids are being obtained in order to provide the District with an estimate for the potential Dredging Project. The District is still trying to work with the City of Montello and the owners of the dam regarding the project
  - b. Audit was completed by Lisa Dunaway
  - c. If we want to spray or harvest weeds on the lake an Aquatic Plant Management Plan needs to be completed every 5 years. An Aquatic Plant Management Plan needs to be completed next year. The Plan will be completed by Wisconsin Lake and Pond (the company that currently sprays the lake)
8. Annual meeting voting
  - a. The question was presented if the stipend for Commissioners be increased from \$100 per meeting attended to \$125 per meeting attended. After discussion the Ballot vote approved the increase.
  - b. The question was presented whether the stipend for the Treasurer should be increased from \$1000 annually to \$1500 annually. After discussion a ballot vote approved the increase.
  - c. It was discussed that the annual MIL rate will remain at 1.5 mil
  - d. The annual budget was discussed and approved by a hand vote.
  - e. A Commissioner (2023-2026 term) was vacant. Sue Fichtel and Ronald Nelson volunteered as candidates. A ballot vote elected Sue Fichtel. Mr. Nelson was thanked for his willingness to volunteer.
  - f. The question was presented if the MLIPRD should request a permit to draw down the lake during the winter of 2024-2025. After discussion the ballot vote did not approve the drawdown

9. Other Discussions

- a. There were questions regarding the Website. The Board will be looking into obtaining a new service to manage the website
- b. A question was asked, since the drawdown was denied could money be placed in budget for restocking fish. Restocking the lake will be discussed next meeting as an agenda topic
- c. A question was asked as to the condition of the Harvester. The Harvester is approximately 17 years old. This year very little maintenance was required. The Harvester is in good condition, but being 17 years old, problems can occur. The last date for harvesting will be on or about September 17, 2023. Our permit allows harvesting in the Navigational lanes only. Skimming of other areas is allowed.

10. Motion to Adjourn at 11:23.

11. Everyone was encouraged to attend the Picnic at the Montello City Park following the meeting.

Addendum – September 30, 2023 – Montello City Hall – 8:00 am

1. Call Meeting to Order by Mimi Pierson at 8:00 am
2. Present – Mimi Pierson, Don Gibson, Sue Fichtel, Vanise Muglar, and Ken Borzik
3. Agenda
  - a. Commissioner's position and welcome to Sue Fichtel
    - i. Discussion regarding roles on the Board.

Mimi Pierson – Board Chairperson

Sue Fichtel – Treasurer

Don Gibson – Secretary

Vanise Muglar – town representative

Ken Borzick – county representative

4. Next Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2023 at the Montello City Hall beginning at 10:00 am
5. Adjourn 9:12 am