



# Camp and Center Lakes Rehabilitation District

## Annual Meeting

Saturday, August 26, 2017

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Salem Lakes Town Hall

9814 Antioch Road, Highway 83

Salem, WI 53168

### Special points of interest:

- Commissioner Election
- Water Patrol
- Whole Lake Treatment Options

The Board will be available to discuss/answer any issues not covered on the agenda after the conclusion of the meeting.



2017 Annual Meeting Agenda and Rules

2016 Meeting Minutes

Boating Regulations

2018 Annual Budget

Herbicide Update

Harvesting Report

Important Phone Numbers and Websites

### Pursuant to Wis. St. Statute 65.90

## Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Election of Commissioner
4. Approve Minutes from 2016 Annual Meeting
5. Treasurer's Report and Audit of 2016 Books
6. Budget Hearing — Voting on Items Over \$10,000
7. Vote on Adoption of 2018 Budget
8. Channel/Lake Dredge Project
9. Water Patrol
10. Whole Lake Treatment Options
11. Herbicide Update
12. Date for 2018 Annual Meeting
13. Adjournment

## ID to Vote

All property owners and renters who are residents of the lake district. No more than two non-resident property owners are eligible to vote per address. Proof of district residency must be shown upon entrance to the meeting by one of the following:

- Real estate tax bill
- Driver's license
- Gas bill
- Electric bill, or
- Telephone bill

## Organizational Meeting

In accordance with state statute 33.29(3), the Board, immediately following each annual meeting, shall elect a chairperson, secretary and treasurer.

## Meeting Rules

In order to get through the agenda, meetings have to be conducted in an orderly fashion. The Board will follow Robert's Rules of Order. We have to limit the time anyone can comment or speak so that there are opportunities for all.

The Chairman has the duty to follow these rules so that the important items are addressed.

Please review the enclosed materials and note the areas where you have a question. For example, if you want an explanation of a particular item, please put it in your question so everyone can understand your concern.

When recognized, please clearly state your name and address first - then your question, so that the secretary can record your concerns.

Thank you!

## Election



An election will be held at the Annual Meeting to fill one position created by the expiring term of Charles Walker. Charles will be running for re-election. The CCLRD board supports and endorses Charles for another term. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

Contact Doug Hughes at 847-875-5959 for information.

## 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes

The by-laws and the agenda require consideration and approval of last year's minutes. The minutes are attached to this notice. The state statutes require a vote on the budget, which is also enclosed. The minutes from August 2016 will help you understand where our money goes. Approval of the budget is required to remain in

compliance with state law and continue to receive grants for harvesting machinery and other projects that improve our lakes. Many projects are multi-year. You can follow our progress by reading the minutes from last summer's meeting.

By Donna Wade

**Boating Regulations**

**Public Trust**



Boating on Camp Lake and Center Lake is subject to the Town of Salem ordinances and Chapter 30 of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

Highlights of those regulations are posted at every launch and briefly summarized as follows:

- **Camp Lake No Wake:**  
Sunset to 10:00 a.m.
- **Center Lake No Wake:**  
Sunset to 10:00 a.m.

- No picnicking, no camping, and no fires in launch areas.
- Waterskiing and tubing counterclockwise in traffic lanes only.
- No wake within 200 feet of shore.
- It is recommended that all boaters wear PFDs at all times.
- Avoid power launching.

The Public Trust Doctrine is the basis for the legal rule that all navigable waters are “common highways and forever free.” The owners of land on lakes and rivers are “riparian owners” who have some rights to the waters they border, such as the right to erect and use a private pier. However, the Wisconsin Supreme Court has ruled that, in general, the public’s rights to use our lakes and rivers are primary and the riparian owners’ rights are secondary. These rights include access.

**Dredging Update**

*By Doug Hughes*

Every year we always hear at our annual meeting about possible spot dredging on our lakes. This year we are in the process of applying for two spot dredging locations on Center Lake. We are hoping to have the permits approved by the annual meeting in August with actual dredging being completed sometime this fall. For testing purposes and cost, we are doing a 30' x 100' location 2-3 feet deep dredge on two separate high-point locations. Our whole goal is to evaluate the same locations next year to see if the cost of the spot dredging is worth exploring more locations in the future. Again, this is a test year to see if spot dredging works or if the areas that are dredged just fill back in.



**2017 Annual Budget**

**Herbicide Update**

*By Dean Hintzman*

The Wisconsin State Statutes require a vote on the budget (copy enclosed), which will be presented by Charles Walker. The line items are categorized so that they are easy to understand.

Approval of the budget is required in order to remain in compliance with state law and to continue to receive grants for harvesting machinery and other projects that improve our lakes.

Herbicide treatments in 2017 has proven to have another successful year on Camp and Center Lakes. I weed-scouted the lakes in early April only to discover Center Lake was infested with Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) and Camp Lake only had EWM in the southern half for a variety of possible reasons. We treated the lakes on May 10th and 11th utilizing 2, 4-D. Approximately 40.71 acres were treated on Camp Lake and 30.49 acres

were treated on Center Lake. It has since been reported there is virtually *no* EWM on Camp Lake and a minimal amount on Center Lake.

Enrollments in the shoreline cost share program are stable and are reporting many new participants. Thanks for your continued support of this piece of the District’s overall management

**MINUTES**  
**CAMP and CENTER LAKES REHABILITATION DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**AUGUST 27, 2016 9:00 – 11:00 AM**  
**SALEM TOWNSHIP HALL**

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**1. Call to Order**

Dean Hintzman called the meeting to order. The following commissioners were present for roll call: Doug Hughes, Dennis Faber, Charles Walker, Dean Hintzman and Donna Wade.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Election of Commissioner**

Doug Hughes stated Dean Hintzman was up for re-election. There were no other nominations from the floor. A hand vote was taken and Dean won the election for another three-year term. There were no opposing votes.

**4. Approve Minutes from 2015 Annual Meeting**

Dean Hintzman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; a second was made by Tony Wade. The minutes were approved as presented.

**5. Treasurer's Report: Audit of 2015 Books**

Regarding the annual audit per state statutes, Charles Walker reported there were only two items in question, both regarding missing receipts for Visa cards. Other than that, no other abnormalities or financial math differences were found. The board approved the annual audit report at the third quarter meeting.

**6. Budget Hearing/Voting on Items Over \$10,000**

Charles reported as of the end of the third quarter, there is \$38,750 in the preferred checking account, which is the main checking account. The lapsable account, which is where all the money drops into when we get our tax settlement checks and whatnot, is what we use as cash throughout the year. The non-lapsable account is an interest accruing savings account we use for capital savings and as a backup for expenses throughout the year if something major goes wrong. This is in line with what the CPAs that audit us look for. Based on our expenses and equipment costs, that is what they had recommended. So he is trying to hold to that \$100,000 mark real close.

Regarding revenue and expenses by year, Charles stated he went back a few years. In 2014, we had annual revenue of \$306,373, which was primarily due to a substantial intergovernmental check from the DNR as well as the selling of one piece of equipment. Our tax break was only \$243,000, but we had considerable revenue from other sources. Our annual expenses was basically \$241,000.

For 2015, we kept the same tax base. We sold another piece of equipment for miscellaneous revenue, which along with a few other items gave us \$28,500. So our total income dropped to \$271,569. Expenses went up to almost \$300,000 because we bought the new transporter. The money we had been putting away for capital savings we spent on the transporter. In 2014, we put a deposit down to build the equipment; and then in 2015, for \$99,000, we paid off the balance.

For 2016, Charles explained we had dropped our annual tax revenue by almost 17 percent because we had this extra income show up in 2014. By state law, all government agencies are required to take whatever income that was not on their budget as planned for and apply it to the following year after. So he took the unplanned for, which was \$38,000, and put it back into what we could use for revenue in 2016. So our total annual revenue is only \$206,000. There are expenses that still remain that will up it to the \$225-\$230,000 mark. As of to-date, we have spent about \$147,000, with the majority of that coming from the tax revenue. We have one check left that should be arriving in late October or November from the Town of Salem for our tax revenue, and that will cover the rest of our revenue for the year. Right now we have about \$114,000 in expenses.

For the budget in 2017, Charles stated he needs to bring the tax revenue back up to less than what it was before, from just shy of 17 percent to \$235,000. A couple of years ago it was at \$243,000. By still bringing it below that we can do pretty well at managing finances and planning. Under miscellaneous income, he is expecting only about \$7,000 in additional revenue, which is mainly from the herbicide program and the people that sign up for it. Total revenue is roughly \$242,000. Our expenses are just over \$275,000. A big piece of that is \$25,000 to be put into the capital savings plan; this will be explained later.

Regarding the financial goals for 2017, Charles stated we will start saving for new equipment. The CCLRD will need to replace at least one of the shore conveyors in a couple of years, and we expect in about four years we will need to replace the oldest harvester. Charles stated he prefers not to take out a loan. If we can, without raising taxes from our \$240,000 revenue, we would like to save the money. So we are planning to continue to start saving for the equipment and also to maintain the health of the financial district and continue to be fiscally responsible. There has to be a really good reason to exceed our budget and that has to be approved by the board. Charles stated whatever we plan on is what he expects us to hold. The board has been doing extremely well at that so far.

2017 Forecast: Charles stated over the last several years he has tried to predict where he thinks we will be at the end of the year based off of expenses of the current year. At the 2016 annual meeting he expected we would have total cash of about \$201,000, and about \$178,423 expected at the end of 2017. That is total revenue for 2017 minus cash assets for 2017, including capital. So the goal is to keep us real close to the \$100,000 mark for savings and have our lapsable account be pretty close to what we target for expenses, so when we get that next check from the Town of Salem, we will have whittled down our savings to just about what we need.

For 2015, Charles stated there was \$100,000 for savings as the CPA firm recommended. That put us at the end of last year about \$78,000 over what we needed for reserve. He expected that we would have expenses of about \$52,000 before our first tax check, so that gave us about \$26,000 in our preferred checking account that was above what we currently have for revenue. For 2016, he expects about \$61,000 coming in for our next tax revenue check. He expects about \$116,000 to still go out for expenses for the rest of this year. That leaves us with cash assets of \$175,000 at the end of this year. For total revenue he is planning on \$242,000. He is planning on expenses, including the \$25,000 for capital, to be \$274,750. So he expects at the end of 2017 for cash assets to be \$142,381. Take away the \$100,000 the CPA recommends, that leaves us with \$42,381. Going into 2017, he is expecting, before we get the first

# Camp Lake-Center Lake Rehabilitation District 2018 Budget Summary

Prepared By: Charles Walker  
7/18/2017

	2015 Budget	2015 Actuals	2016 Budget	2016 Actuals	2017 Budget	2017 Actuals YTD	Proposed 2018 Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>							
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR							
<b>TAXES</b>							
General Property Tax	243,000.00 \$	243,000.00 \$	201,000.00 \$	201,000.00 \$	235,000.00 \$	159,183.69 \$	228,000.00 \$
					(TAX INCREASE FROM 2016) 16.92%		(TAX DECREASE FROM 2017) -2.98%
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,990.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>							
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	6,550.00 \$	28,569.17 \$	5,550.00 \$	11,369.69 \$	7,050.00 \$	7,684.54 \$	46,688.99 \$
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 249,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 271,569.17</b>	<b>\$ 206,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 239,360.31</b>	<b>\$ 242,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 166,868.23</b>	<b>\$ 274,688.99</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	(50,450.00) \$	(42,865.56) \$	(49,900.00) \$	(55,915.40) \$	(50,800.00) \$	(8,810.20) \$	(69,410.00) \$
<b>CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT</b>	(159,447.00) \$	(154,134.84) \$	(180,168.00) \$	(145,055.92) \$	(198,950.00) \$	(67,965.62) \$	(189,850.00) \$
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	(50,000.00) \$	(99,000.00) \$	- \$	- \$	(25,000.00) \$	(25,000.00) \$	(15,000.00) \$
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>							
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ (259,897.00)</b>	<b>\$ (296,000.40)</b>	<b>\$ (230,068.00)</b>	<b>\$ (200,971.32)</b>	<b>\$ (274,750.00)</b>	<b>\$ (101,775.82)</b>	<b>\$ (274,260.00)</b>
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES - JANUARY 1		\$ 254,827.63		\$ 230,396.40		\$ 268,785.39	
TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCES - DECEMBER 31		\$ 230,396.40		\$ 268,785.39			

# Camp Lake-Center Lake Rehabilitation District 2018 Financial Budget Detail

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7/18/2017

## REVENUES

	2016 Budget	2016 Actuals	2017 Budget	2017 YTD Actuals	Proposed 2018 Budget
<b>TAXES</b>					
41110 General Property Tax Revenue	\$ 201,000.00	\$ 201,000.00	\$ 235,000.00	\$ 159,183.69	\$ 228,000.00
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL TAXES</b>	<b>\$ 201,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 201,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 235,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 159,183.69</b>	<b>\$ 228,000.00</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>					
43580 State Planning Grants	-	-	-	-	-
43581 State Non-Point Source Pollution Grants	-	-	-	-	-
43582 Wisconsin Waterways Commission Grants	-	-	-	-	-
43583 State LAG Grant	-	-	-	-	-
43584 State Exempt Computer Aids	-	26,990.62	-	-	-
43585 DNR Reimbursement Grants	-	-	-	-	-
	-	26,990.62	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 26,990.62</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>					
48050 Other	250.00	4,196.78	250.00	80.00	500.00
48100 Interest Income	300.00	234.78	300.00	100.20	300.00
48200 Chemical Application Fees	5,000.00	6,938.13	6,500.00	7,504.34	7,500.00
48500 Donations	-	-	-	-	-
48600 Use Value Penalties / Carry forward from previous year unused	-	-	-	-	38,388.99
49000 Proceeds from Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	-	-
	5,550.00	11,369.69	7,050.00	7,684.54	46,688.99
<b>TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$ 5,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,369.69</b>	<b>\$ 7,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,684.54</b>	<b>\$ 46,688.99</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 206,550.00</b>	<b>\$ 239,360.31</b>	<b>\$ 242,050.00</b>	<b>\$ 166,868.23</b>	<b>\$ 274,688.99</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
51300 Legal Expenses	(5,000.00)	-	(5,000.00)	-	(4,000.00)
	-	-	-	-	-

# Camp Lake-Center Lake Rehabilitation District 2018 Financial Budget Detail

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7/18/2017

	2016 Budget	2016 Actuals	2017 Budget	2017 YTD Actuals	2018 Budget
51330 Notices (Newspaper Ads)	-		-		-
51400 Board Salaries	(9,500.00)	(9,500.00)	(9,500.00)		(9,500.00)
51405 Postage	-		-		-
51410 Telephone	-		-		-
51415 Dues and Subscriptions	(500.00)	(750.00)	(1,250.00)	(750.00)	(1,250.00)
51420 Printing/Copying Costs (Quarterly meetings & general)	(500.00)	(395.50)	(500.00)		(500.00)
51430 Newsletter	-		-		-
51435 P.O. Box Rental	(50.00)	(48.00)	(50.00)		(60.00)
51440 Annual Meeting Expenditures	(5,000.00)	(4,942.68)	(6,500.00)		(6,500.00)
51445 Conventions	(1,000.00)		(1,000.00)		(1,500.00)
51450 Travel	(1,100.00)	(280.00)	(750.00)	(75.65)	(750.00)
51455 Office and Computer Supplies	(2,500.00)	(3,487.66)	(2,250.00)	(1,213.78)	(2,750.00)
51460 Charitable Contributions	(500.00)		(1,000.00)	(50.00)	(750.00)
51465 Petty Cash	(750.00)	(500.00)	(750.00)	(500.00)	(750.00)
51500 Accounting	(1,500.00)	(1,000.00)	(1,500.00)		(1,500.00)
51600 Street Lighting & building electric	(500.00)	(550.31)	(500.00)	(233.07)	(750.00)
51700 Web Site - hosting, editing, management	(1,500.00)	(1,705.54)	(1,500.00)	(1,697.70)	(1,800.00)
51800 Property & Liability Insurance	<b>(16,000.00)</b>	<b>(21,801.00)</b>	<b>(16,000.00)</b>	<b>(4,010.00)</b>	<b>(18,500.00)</b>
51900 Contingency	(2,000.00)	(10,042.22)	(1,000.00)		(1,500.00)
51910 Dredging Study	-		-		<b>(15,000.00)</b>
51920 Meeting minutes transcribing	(750.00)	(680.00)	(750.00)	(200.00)	(1,000.00)
51930 General Office Equipment	(1,000.00)		(750.00)		(750.00)
51940 Bank Fees	(100.00)	(77.51)	(100.00)	(20.00)	(100.00)
51950 Taxes - property	(150.00)	(154.98)	(150.00)	(60.00)	(200.00)
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$(49,900.00)</b>	<b>\$(55,915.40)</b>	<b>\$(50,800.00)</b>	<b>\$(8,810.20)</b>	<b>\$(69,410.00)</b>
<b>CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT</b>					
<b>56800-LAKE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT</b>					
56805 Lake Management Plan					
56808a Wages - Weed Harvesting direct labor & management		(7,444.00)	(7,500.00)	(6,197.95)	(1,000.00)
56808b Wages - Lake District support labor	<b>(41,000.00)</b>	<b>(20,660.41)</b>	<b>(43,000.00)</b>	<b>(1,627.74)</b>	<b>(41,000.00)</b>
56809 Weed Harvesting-Expenses					
56809a Weed Harvesting - Fuel	<b>(45,618.00)</b>	<b>(48,977.20)</b>	<b>(53,400.00)</b>	<b>(7,888.91)</b>	<b>(49,550.00)</b>
56809b Weed Harvesting - Hydraulic Oil	(4,500.00)	(593.43)	(4,000.00)		(4,000.00)
56809c Weed Harvesting - License Fees	(1,000.00)		(1,750.00)		(1,750.00)
56809d Weed Harvesting - Parts & Supplies	(1,250.00)	(512.50)	(1,250.00)		(1,250.00)
56809e Weed Harvesting - Equipment Repair	(9,500.00)	(3,216.72)	(7,500.00)	(119.10)	(7,500.00)
	(9,800.00)		<b>(19,000.00)</b>	<b>(4,452.20)</b>	<b>(15,000.00)</b>



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56809f Weed Harvesting - Outside Contractor Services	(2,000.00)	(1,425.00)	(1,000.00)		(1,000.00)
56809g Weed Harvesting - Equipment Storage	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)	(5,000.00)		(5,000.00)
56809h Weed Harvesting - Weed Disposal	(5,500.00)	(7,500.00)	(7,500.00)		(7,500.00)
56809j Weed Harvesting - Property Rental	(2,818.00)	(2,818.00)	(2,900.00)	(2,853.00)	(2,950.00)
56809k Weed Harvesting - Payroll Account Service	(1,750.00)	(1,532.60)	(1,750.00)	(383.36)	(1,850.00)
56809m Weed Harvesting - Permit Fees	(1,000.00)	(139.55)	(750.00)	(81.25)	(750.00)
56809n Weed Harvesting - Travel & Misc	(1,500.00)		(1,000.00)		(1,000.00)
56809o Non capital harvesting equipment	(57,550.00)	(50,041.70)	(58,300.00)	(44,383.61)	(58,300.00)
56810 Chemical Application - Expenses	(55,000.00)	(48,641.25)	(55,000.00)	(41,525.08)	(55,000.00)
56810a Chemical Application - Material & Labor Service	(800.00)	(700.00)	(800.00)		(800.00)
56810b Chemical Application - Management	(1,000.00)		(1,500.00)		(1,500.00)
56810c Chemical Application - Permit Fees	(750.00)		(1,000.00)		(1,000.00)
56810d Chemical Application - Mailing & Notification	(16,000.00)	(700.45)	(16,000.00)	(608.53)	(18,000.00)
56812 General Lake Contract, Maintenance & Safety	(2,000.00)	(13,133.95)	(1,750.00)	(7,517.41)	
56815 Non capital equipment purchase	(3,000.00)	(1,500.00)	(2,500.00)		(2,500.00)
56820 Water Quality Monitoring		(1,872.00)			
56825 Camp Lake Spillway Project					
56835 Center Lake Boat Ramp Project					
56840 Beach Restoration Projects					
56845 Center Lake Spillway Project Investigation					
56850 Weevil Project					
56855 Fish Stocking Project					
56895 Miscellaneous Maintenance, Awards & Books			(500.00)		(500.00)
56897 Lake Water Patrol - additional patrol above current amount	(7,500.00)	(700.00)	(7,500.00)	(350.00)	(7,500.00)
<b>56900-WATERSHED MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION</b>					
56905 Watershed Management Services/ S.W. Badger RC&D					
56915 Watershed Restoration Projects/ 50% Cost Share Program	(4,500.00)		(4,500.00)		(7,500.00)
56925 Priority Watershed Consulting Fees					
56930 Non-Point Source Pollution Projects / LAG & NPS Grant Cost Share Program					
56940 Miscellaneous Maintenance and Restoration					
56950 TRM Grant/ 5% Cost Share Program					
56960 Educational Signs (Located & Boat Ramps)	(3,000.00)	(726.66)	(4,000.00)		(4,000.00)
<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT</b>	(180,168.00)	(145,055.92)	(198,950.00)	(67,965.62)	(189,850.00)
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
57900 Weed Harvesting Equipment (Trucks, Harvesters, Conveyors)					
57910 Dredging Program					
56935 Land Acquisition					
56945 Center Lake Spillway Replacement					
57915 Storage Building Acquisition / Investment					
57920 Capital Savings - Future Equipment Purchase			(25,000.00)	(25,000.00)	(15,000.00)
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			(25,000.00)	(25,000.00)	(15,000.00)
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>					
58100 Annual Payment on Long-Term Debt					
58200 Interest on Long-Term Debt					
58300 Loan Payoff on Long Term Debt					
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>					
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	(230,068.00)	(200,971.32)	(274,750.00)	(101,775.82)	(274,260.00)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES w/o CAPITAL</b>	(230,068.00)	(200,971.32)	(249,750.00)	(76,775.82)	(259,260.00)
REVENUE VERSUS EXPENSE (OVER) / UNDER	(23,518.00)	38,388.99	(32,700.00)	65,092.41	428.99

Do not add into totals. These figures are subgroup totals for FYI only  
 Designates new row added  
 Designates amount put into savings for future capital outlay  
 Designates item increase from prior year  
 Designates item decrease from prior year

check from the Town of Salem, about \$36,000 in expenses. That would put us at about \$6,000 in our checking account. We would still have that \$100,000 for backup, but we will be very close to a zero balance right before we get the next check.

Regarding expenditures year-over-year, Charles stated under total conservation and development, it depends on what happens throughout the year. Early on we had a lot of money spent on harvesting and not so much on herbicide. Once we started kicking in with herbicide, harvesting started to level off because it was becoming more consistent year-over-year. Right now it is low because we are in the middle of the 2016 harvest season.

Under total capital outlay, Charles stated it goes from savings of \$25,000, up to buying a piece of equipment, back down to savings, to buying another piece of equipment, again down to savings, and so on. That will just keep bouncing around depending on when we put money aside to save for the equipment and then when we buy the equipment.

Under total general government, which is our normal expenses for non-harvesting, non-herbicide, basically anything that has to do physically with the lakes; to pay for operating expenses. Charles stated that comes in pretty steadily under \$50,000. Generally we are at \$48-\$49,000 and we have been that way for many years. He predicts we will stay at that same level.

Under debt service, Charles stated he may drop that for next year because the last time we had to pay for a loan was in 2006. As of 2007 and beyond he made sure we didn't have to take out a loan for stuff/equipment and instead plan ahead for it.

Charles stated the target is to have all of the accounts get down closer to our target amount; how much money do we have left coming in, how much do we have for expenses. When you start putting all that together, plus our capital savings, you should come out with some low number. For us that's pretty close to about \$225,000. We started out in 2010 with \$293,000; 2011 was \$296,000; 2012 was \$212,000; in 2013 we dropped down to \$164,000 primarily because we had put in money to pay for equipment; we got back up to \$254,000 in 2014; 2015 was \$230,000; and right now we are just about sitting at \$230,000 again. That \$6,000 we have left in the checking account at the end of the year is just about where we want to be at. Keep in mind we don't get our tax revenue check until March or early April when the town sends them out. So whatever money we have at the end of the year is what has to carry us through until that time.

So why the tax increase? Charles explained the CCLRD received about \$25,000 in grant money from the DNR toward the purchase of the transporter in 2014. That amount cannot be counted as revenue because it's not guaranteed. If we get it, that's great. If not, we have to plan accordingly. Since the 2014 year was almost over when we got the revenue, and the 2015 budget had already been set, that money had to be applied to 2016. So now we are returning to normal levels, back to that \$235-\$240,000 tax base. He stated he does not expect to stray from that much.

Under expenses for 2015, Charles stated we came in about \$12,000 less than budget. So far, for 2016, we are beating the budget due to the limited weed harvesting operation. He does not expect the tax rate to increase in 2018. We will have our \$25,000 in capital savings and we are presently at normal levels.

Charles stated the website is going through some significant improvements this year. There were a lot of problems with trying to keep the site up. One of the mailer accounts was hacked, sending all sorts of spam to everyone. The site had to be shut down to fix that. Also, there were problems with certain pages not working right. The site should be up and running early next week with a new format. It should be easier to use and easier to find info. It will slowly get better as time goes on. Annual water quality reports and all harvesting reports are now up there, along with an operations page. He suggested taking a look at it and advising him of any preferred changes.

Someone asked if we had maximized all of the grants that are available. Charles stated, in the case of purchasing equipment, you have to buy the equipment before you can apply for the grant. For equipment, CCLRD has applied for a grant every time a new piece of equipment was purchased, and we have been lucky enough to get the grant money when we applied. Dennis Faber advised there are no grants for herbicide treatment the way we do it. Dean Hintzman advised there is very little grant money available and economic areas are getting what is available.

Charles presented a breakdown of the 2017 budget. He stated he is expecting revenue to go back up to the \$235,000 level, which is less than what we had in 2015 and 2014 but is more than 2016. He is expecting only about \$7,000 in miscellaneous revenue, which is from the herbicide treatment plan. So our total revenue is \$242,050. We are budgeting \$50,000 for general government, which is what we have been doing year-over-year. We had \$43,000 in actual expenses this year so we get within 7 percent of budget. For conservation development, which is where harvesting, herbicide treatment and other lake plans go, he is budgeting for just shy of \$199,000, which is about \$20,000 higher than what we are currently at for 2016. We are planning some additional herbicide treatments for the lakes, among other expenses. Charles stated this year we will be over budget for expenses for harvesting equipment repair. Next year we will have the same because the equipment is getting old. This year we had to pay for an engine to be rebuilt on one of the pieces of equipment just because of its age. He expects the same to hold true for next year, which is why there is an increase of year-over-year. We know it's going to happen and we need to plan accordingly. This is why he questioned if we should start putting money away for new equipment. If we are spending \$30-\$40,000 now to keep repairing these pieces of equipment, that is serious expenses. So he has \$25,000 in savings for that. So he is expecting total expenses to be \$274,750 with our revenue of \$242,000. He is trying to get that excess in year-over-year down to as close as possible to that \$10,000 low mark. For the details themselves, Charles stated a revenue of \$235,000, slightly less than 2015, 2014 and 2013. He is listing what the major differences are so you can get an idea of where the cost changes are coming in. He is expecting about \$1,500 more for copying newsletter costs. That has increased over the years. We haven't moved too much from the \$5,000 mark and we need to because we will be over budget this year and we were over budget in 2015 at \$8,200. That consists of annual meeting costs, primarily setting up the fliers and getting them printed up, etc.

Charles stated we need to vote on those items over \$10,000. The first one is Property and Liability Insurance. He is holding that at \$16,000. In 2015 it was actually \$15,500. He does not expect it to go up this year or in 2017. Right now we have \$12,500 and there is one small payment left. A voice vote approved the motion to approve a budget of \$16,000 for Property and Liability Insurance.

Charles stated this year we are going to spend some money on an aquatic plant management plan. We need to have that every five years, which is next year. We are planning for about \$7,500 next year to revise that plan. The purpose of the plan is to approve our annual harvesting operation.

The next item up for approval is Weed Harvesting Direct Labor and Management. Charles stated in 2016 we budgeted \$36,000; we actually spent just shy of \$38,500. This year we budgeted \$41,000. To date we only have \$6,500 but we are pretty early financially into the harvesting season. He is expecting some increase to \$43,000 this year, but nothing major. He thinks we can hold harvesting direct labor expenses. Someone asked why we go with herbicide and



harvesting as opposed to just harvesting, and how does herbicide affect the water quality for swimming and fishing? Dean explained not too long ago this lake had 95 percent Eurasian watermilfoil. Categorically, that is a non-native invasive species of weeds. We don't want that in these lakes. At that time, the decision was made to strictly harvest. It was a good decision, a conservative decision, but after a period of time you have to revisit your choices. We determined that perhaps it was time to start conservatively going in with some selective herbicides, 2,4-D, and targeting this non-native invasive weed. We picked some test spots on both the lakes in different places and we had very good results. We did it with a different format than we do it now, a granular format. So through the years now, almost 10, we kept gradually, incrementally expanding this way that we do things. We manage it early. We can treat the milfoil a lot earlier than we can harvest, so it's a two-prong approach. So now we just migrated to a weighted liquid form of 2,4-D that we typically schedule for the second week of May. It takes about three weeks for the milfoil to drop, which then allows the natives to come back — the eelgrass and all the desirable weeds that are good for fishing and water fowl. The last time we did a weed survey we were at 24 different types of weeds. We're over 30 now, which is a very good thing if they are native species, which they are. We do test the water quality twice a year. 2,4-D has been around since the 1940s. It selectively treats Eurasian watermilfoil with great success if it's done at the right time of the year. So the idea is to knock down the milfoil early on, allow the natives to grow in their place and then later in the season start cutting access channels and areas that we don't chemically treat because we don't do the whole lakes. We are very selective. We treat the areas that provide the greatest benefit for the most people. We create access lanes and then later in the year we cut fish channels. If there is a big area that is really unnavigable, we will clean that up as well. The two-prong approach has really proven to be very successful. Charles added the lakes bacteria-wise are cleaner than they have been since we started doing the reports. And as far as clarity, they are clearer than they have ever been. Furthermore, it is cheaper to stay with the two-prong approach. If we stay with just harvesting, it will cost us more because we would be using the equipment twice as much and it physically costs more to do harvesting than herbicide. Dennis Faber added that the chemical treatments are in the shallow areas in our lake. The DNR does not allow us in our harvesting plan to operate these cutters to make channels out of the shallow areas. We used to harvest in there, but the paddle wheels degrade the water quality and also redistribute nutrients that wash in off people's yards, such as fertilizer. Charles requested that further questions/discussion be held until the treasurer's report is completed. A voice vote approved the motion to approve a budget of \$43,000 for Direct Labor and Management.

Charles stated the next item up for approval is Equipment Repair. In past years we have budgeted pretty low at \$2,500. In 2015 we spent just over \$11,000. In 2016 we budgeted \$10,000 and we are already close to \$25,000. We know we are going to have some significant repair again next year, so he is budgeting \$19,000 for 2017. A voice vote approved the motion to approve a budget of \$19,000 for Equipment Repair.

Next up is Herbicide Application. Charles stated in 2014 and 2015 we were just about at \$21,000. For 2016 we decided we were going to try and treat more areas of the lakes, bringing the budget up to \$55,000. He suggested holding that for 2017 and see how it goes for a few years. A voice vote approved the motion to approve a budget of \$55,000 for Herbicide Application.

The next item over \$10,000 is General Lake Contract Maintenance and Safety. We had been budgeting \$20,000. We brought that down a little to \$15,000. In 2015 we spent \$13,000. This year we budgeted \$16,000 and have already spent about \$9,000. He thinks we can budget \$16,000 again next year. This is for lake clean up after storms, during winter, when trees start to fall, basically anything that shouldn't be in the lake that is impeding navigation. A voice vote approved the motion to approve \$16,000 for General Lake Contract Maintenance and Safety.

Charles stated they have been trying to do some repairs to the CCLRD signs along the launch ramps. Next year they are going to need major rehab. They all need to be re-stained and fixed up with Plexiglas. Volunteers are welcome; your time would be reimbursed.

The last item over \$10,000 up for approval is Capital Savings Plan with a budget of \$25,000. In 2015 we budgeted \$50,000 because we knew we were going to have to spend \$99,000. This year we didn't budget any because we didn't have any expected equipment that we needed to save for yet. Knowing what we know now about the equipment and what kind of repair it's going to need, the board feels we need to start saving for it. We actually cut expenses in other areas to be able to save \$25,000 and not increase taxes from where we had been in past years. A voice vote approved the motion to approve \$25,000 for Capital Savings Plan.

#### **7. Vote on Adoption of 2017 Tax Revenue**

We are planning on \$274,750 for 2017, including the \$25,000 for capital savings. Our proposed tax rate is \$235,000, which is 17 percent higher than last year because we didn't have that extra income, but it's less than what we had in previous years. A voice vote approved the motion to approve \$235,000 for Taxable Revenue.

Someone asked what we are doing about non-point sources. Dean stated that is where we started with the district. Some ponds were dug at the southeast corner of Camp Lake; we did a lot of cost-sharing to fix the shorelines; we helped some associations and private land owners through a grant program, which we still have available to anyone who feels their shoreline is derogated and needs some help. So we do use a three-prong approach. Someone stated a concern about the farmers being large polluters with their fertilizer and questioned if we could work with them to correct it. Dennis stated the farmers do have an exception to the Town of Salem's phosphorous-free ordinance. Dean stated we would first have to identify all the farmers within the lake district to find out who is actually contributing to the watershed. Then we would have to assess to see to what degree pollution would be happening. Discussion took place regarding the issue of farmer pollution and how much of a problem it poses. Dean stated that while the farm fields are definitely a contributor, he does not feel it is the "big dog." The big issue is everything people carry in on their boats. The non-point source is feeding it, but it didn't create it. Phosphorus did not create milfoil. How the milfoil got here is the big dog. Dennis stated CCLRD originally qualified for a federal grant to help us address these non-point sources. Someone added that a study of the area requires a significant amount of money and time, which we don't have. Someone added there are federal grants available for property owners for preventing non-point pollution. Dean stated he would call Pat Casey at the Town of Salem to find out what they are doing to filter the culverts they are replacing.

#### **8. Channel/Lake Dredge Study**

Doug Hughes stated every time we look into dredging we hit a wall with either the permit process or the cost. In an attempt to find a cost-effective way, we decided to look into doing four spot-dredging areas — one above the new dam, one below the new dam, and two high points on the channels. The plan now is to get this approved by the DNR. We have called a couple different dredging companies and have gotten quotes from \$15,000 to \$20,000 to do a 30x100 foot area, which is ridiculous. We are trying to find a cost-effective way with Jason from Summerset Marine who has done all of our shoreline restoration projects. He has a barge with a crane on it. Our plan for the permit process through the DNR is to have him load up the news containers, work with the CCLRD, drive the barge over to an area, load it into our truck, and haul it out to a field. We are hoping it will be cost-effective enough to do all four areas. Currently we have approval for step one, sediment sampling. DNR requires us to have any material taken out of the lake tested before they will approve any

type of permit. We can bypass that if we take it to a field, spread it out and seed it. I know someone in Brighton who is willing to do that for us. So we do not have to do any type of sediment sampling. Now we are in the design process, which gets a little crazy. They want overhead views, top views, and side views. This is where I work with Jason who knows a lot about the DNR permit process. He has the time right now to sit down and work on the design itself. The permit process will probably take three to six months and then hopefully we can get the four sites done early next spring. After that we will probably wait a year and then go back and retest the areas to see if it worked. If after 10-12 months it all filled back in, we just wasted \$10,000 or \$15,000. But we can say we tried dredging an area. If it works, great. Now we know the permit process. We can sit down and evaluate if it is something that is cost effective enough for us to continue to do and expand.

Questions:

What happens if it doesn't work? Doug stated if it's the current levels where we're at and we dig out a 3,500 foot area, and it goes back to where it is, that's something we would have to evaluate.

Where are the test channels? The test channels are at Center Lake, based off of some high spots. One is going to be above and below the new dam. Then on the long channel where it turns there is a high spot and at the end of Jeff's channel there is a high spot.

Cost? Doug stated he does not have an exact cost yet. He worked with Jason at Summerset and where before it was \$15,000 to \$20,000 per site, Jason thinks he can do all four sites in one day in that range; \$15,000 to \$20,000 to have it permitted, dug up, hauled away, spread out and seeded. Dean added, as a reminder, if you own waterfront property, you don't need the Lake District to dredge in front of your home. You can go get a permit and do it yourself.

Base of the sediment? Doug stated they haven't attacked that yet. The next step after the permit process is figuring out the layout, which includes determining the sediment makeup and how far down it is.

Test a shoreline? Dean stated we tried to pick the shallowest spots indicated on the bathymetric charts along with two areas that benefited all the residents at large, which were the inlet and outlet of the two lakes. The shoreline would definitely be a next step.

Purpose of the spillway? Dean stated, in his opinion, the spillway provides temporary relief for the people in the channels at certain times of the year. It allows people in the channels to navigate out to the lake.

How often are the flood plain maps done? Doug stated about two years ago, and prior to that about 20 years.

Is the \$15,000 to \$20,000 in our budget? Dean stated we voted to put \$5,000 in a non-lapsable fund last year. We don't have a firm cost to plan with yet.

Long range goal? Dean stated the long range goal would be to systematically prioritize areas based on depth and water usage and then start connecting some dots. The idea is to try to get continuous dredging going. It won't be something that the district fronts the whole bill. There will be several informational meetings to figure out how to do a cost share that seems reasonable so people can afford it.

Have you looked into a vacuum? Dean stated they actually did a little test study in front of his house a couple of years ago. He was impressed with the process and machinery, but he hasn't taken it to the next step because we are still on this step. Doug stated a homeowner on Center Lake did it about 15 years ago. He spent about \$4,200 and the next spring it was all muck again. Dean stated, from his personal experience, there is less vegetation but the sediment is back.

Dean stated that dredging will be on the agenda of all the quarterly meetings if anyone is interested in getting updates.

#### **9. Date for 2017 Annual Meeting**

Dean proposed having the annual meeting at the beginning of the season, specifically the first or second Saturday in June. Doug stated the budget would have to be prepared earlier with less data. The budget is based on current fiscal data. Charles stated we have to submit to the Town at the end of October what we agree is the annual revenue. That's a big time stretch between June and October that we will have already set our budget and if something changes, we're screwed. It was decided to continue holding the annual meeting in August.

Dean stated the 2017 annual meeting will be on Saturday, August 26, 2017.

#### **10. Adjournment**

A voice vote approved the motion to adjourn.

## 2017 Harvesting Report

At the start of 2017, the weather conditions and water temperature were excellent for Eurasian watermilfoil (EWM) to grow before the native species could get a start. However, this didn't occur.

On Camp Lake, very little EWM appeared. On Center Lake, it was concentrated in the usual spots with most of it being in the northeast

corner of the lake. That turned out to be minimal based on the harvesting loads and species identification tallies taken after the chemical treatment.

On Center Lake, there was a total of 23 harvest loads as of July 12th (the day of the flood). Of those loads, none were identified as EWM being the dominate species and were entered in the log book as "other." One cutter has been

*By Dennis Faber*

left on Center Lake as it is not needed on Camp Lake at this time.

Below are a couple of photos from the past that show how far the district has come. Just a few years ago the truck was filled with EMW. Now, there is virtually nothing.





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