



Tainter Lake

REHABILITATION
DISTRICT

ANNUAL MEETING

AUGUST 3, 2024

MENOMONIE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

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Call meeting to order

Introductions

Approve minutes of 2023 Annual Meeting

Chairperson and committee reports

Treasurer's Report

Audit of 2023-24 revenues and expenditures

Consider approval of by-laws revisions

Consideration of projects

- No-Wake buoys and maintenance

- Carp removal and fish stocking

- Aquatic vegetation harvesting

Review and consider approval of proposed budget

- a. Establish a reserve fund

- b. Proposed/Published budget

Consider approval of corresponding tax levy

Election of commissioners

2025 Annual Meeting date: August 2, 2025 @ 10:00 am

Adjourn meeting

INTRODUCTIONS

■ Commissioners

- Al Brown, Jerry Porter, Grant Peissig, Pete Heimdahl, Chuck Tack, Tom Bilse, and Jim Zons
- Purpose of the Annual Meeting
 - The members of the lake district have specific powers granted by state statute
 - Some of these powers will be exercised today
 - These items are specified in the agenda and the only action(s) taken today are the items on the agenda
 - All district residents are allowed to vote (even the commissioners)

INTRODUCTION CONT.

Layout and the format of the annual meeting

Roberts Rules of Order

Parliamentarian.

When we get to an action item we will ask for a motion and a second; once we have a motion and a second we will open the motion for discussion

We will then entertain a motion to close discussion and vote

You will vote by holding up you the note card provided at registration

INTRODUCTION CONT.

The Secretary will count the votes (can appoint someone to help if needed)

All votes will be included in the minutes of the meeting to be approved at next year's Annual Meeting

Voting for the commissioner will be done by ballot and tallied by someone who is not a candidate for this position (Secretary)

2023 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

TLRD Secretary, Tom Bilse will read the minutes

Motion to approve the minutes

Discussion/Correction to the minutes

Vote on the motion

CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Chairperson Report

The majority of work for 2023-24 was:

1. Four ad hoc committees
 - a. No Wake Ordinance
 - b. Sedimentation
 - c. Aquatic Vegetation
 - d. Grant writing: Surface Water Grant
2. Strategic planning
3. Community partnerships



TREASURER'S REPORT



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	2023-2024 Year Budget	Current Year Aug - May Actual	2024-2025 Proposed
Revenues			
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Special Charges	\$0.00		\$0.00
Special Assessments	\$0.00		\$0.00
Donations/Contributions	\$0.00	\$1,125.00	\$0.00
Grant Reimbursement	\$0.00		\$0.00
Carryover/Cash Balance	\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest		\$4.95	
Total Revenues	\$15,731.28	\$12,219.73	\$60,734.00
Expenditures			
Capital Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Costs of Operations			
Copying/Postage/Supplies/Technology	\$4,300.00	\$993.46	\$4,300.00
Conferences (Mileage/Expenses)	\$1,731.28	\$619.19	\$1,734.00
Dues/Fees	\$1,000.00	\$180.00	\$1,000.00
Legal	\$1,200.00	\$159.56	\$1,200.00
Insurance	\$2,500.00	\$2,119.00	\$2,500.00
Project - Strategic Planning Grant	\$5,000.00		\$0.00
Project - Weed Harvesting	\$0.00		\$39,000.00
Project - Lake Clarity	\$0.00		\$7,000.00
Project - Slow No Wake	\$0.00		\$4,000.00
Grant		\$920.91	
Insurance			
Total Expenditures:	\$15,731.28	\$4,992.12	\$60,734.00
Balance	\$0.00	\$7,227.61	\$0.00

AUDIT OF 2023-24 REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The Committee reports the following findings:

1. All the expenditures for the stated time period have been recorded.
2. All of the revenues for the stated time period have been recorded.
3. The monthly Treasurer's Report contain the same information that is reported in the Westconsin banking statement.

The Committee made the following recommendations:

1. The donations (revenues and expenditures) are to be accounted separately from the general revenue and expenditures. This will aid in fund raising and accounting for future projects or activities.
2. Donations will be placed in the savings account and separated from tax revenues.
3. Invoices are to be filed monthly.
4. A non-lapsable fund will help with TLRD cashflow for approved projects or activities.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BYLAW REVISIONS

- Presentation of revisions by Jerry Porter
- Motion
- Discussion
- Vote

Article III - ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING - *Was*

Section 3 - NOMINATION OF COMMISSIONERS: The Board shall nominate candidates to fill vacancies on the Board. A nomination for the Board requires candidates to provide the secretary a written statement of intent and signatures of five electors supporting the nomination forty-five (45) days prior to the annual meeting. Nominated candidates shall be published in the annual meeting notice. If none of the remaining elected commissioners, whose terms do not expire, are resident electors, then the candidates shall be resident electors. [§33.28 (2)] Ballots printed for the election shall provide space for write-in candidates.

Section 5 - ELECTING COMMISSIONERS: **At the first annual meeting the electors shall elect three (3) commissioners to the Board for a total of five (5). If a proposed expansion of the board to seven (7) total commissioners is passed, the electors shall elect five (5) commissioners.**

With a board of three (3) elected commissioners, the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected to a three-year term; the candidate receiving the second greatest number of votes shall be elected to a two year term, and the candidate receiving the third greatest number of votes shall be elected to a one-year term.

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1. A written statement of one hundred (100) words or less describing why you would like to become a commissioner.
2. A second written statement in one hundred (100) words or less telling the good people of the district what talents you possess that would make you a good commissioner.
3. Signatures of five electors supporting the nomination.

All three items need to be submitted forty-five (45) days prior to the annual meeting. Board nominated candidates shall be published in the annual meeting notice. If none of the remaining elected commissioners, whose terms do not expire, are resident electors, then the candidates shall be resident electors. [§33.28 (2)] Ballots printed for the election shall provide space for write-in candidates.

Section 5 - ELECTING COMMISSIONERS: **At the first annual meeting *of the district*, the electors *approved the proposed expansion of the board to seven (7) total commissioners and elected five (5) commissioners.***



CONSIDERATION OF PROJECT: NO WAKE BUOYS AND MAINTENANCE



NO WAKE BUOYS AND MAINTENANCE

The Tainter Lake Rehabilitation District is proposing a new slow no-wake zone ordinance for Tainter Lake that would replace the existing ordinance that was originally passed by the Town of Tainter in 2007. This would give the Lake District the ability to replace and improve the current buoys and potentially adjust the location of the slow no-wake zones in the future. Enforcement of the ordinance would be carried out by the DNR and Dunn County Sheriff's Department. Adopting a new slow no-wake ordinance fits into the TLRD's overall mission of improving the quality and safety of Tainter Lake.

We are proposing an initial budget of \$4,000 for creating the ordinance along with installation, removal, and storage of the existing buoys, and purchase of replacement buoys for 2025. If approved, the anticipated annual cost of maintaining the ordinance (installation, removal, and storage of the existing buoys, purchase of replacement buoys, signage, insurance, etc.) would be \$2,500 per year.



CONSIDERATION OF PROJECT: CARP REMOVAL AND FISH STOCKING



CARP REMOVAL AND FISH STOCKING

- This project is meant to reduce our rough fish population and is made up of two parts.
 1. Rough fish harvesting via a “Carp” tournament.
- Our local DNR fish biologist suggested reducing the number of rough fish by hosting a Carp tournament. A bounty for each rough fish legally harvested from Tainter Lake would be paid. The budget for this part of the plan is \$3000, with a bounty of \$2 per fish. Counting the number of fish submitted for the bounty will also allow TLRD to conduct a fish study without paying for a single species fish study.
 1. Stock predator fish.
- Another effective method to reduce rough fish is to add predator fish to the lake. Bluegill, Walleye, and Northern were recommended as the best predators for our money. Price, size, and service from state fisheries vary but Bluegill cost about \$2.85, Walleye about \$3.50, and Northern Pike about \$10 (per fish). Several fisheries were contacted and they all agreed that these costs should stay stable through next year.

CARP CONT...

Benefits

This project benefits water quality by:

1. Removing bottom feeding rough fish that destroy fish habitat.
2. Bottom feeders stir up the phosphorus that sits on the lake bottom (where it is fairly harmless) and sends it up into the water where it adds to the cyanobacteria problem, and reduces water clarity.
3. Bottom feeders eat zooplankton that would otherwise help reduce cyanobacteria.

This project meets our Strategic Plan for the Lake District by improving water quality issues that were identified as the number one priority in our survey.

Costs: \$7000

Implementation timeline: This project would begin in the spring, and end in the early fall of 2025.



CONSIDERATION OF PROJECT: AQUATIC VEGETATION HARVESTING





2025 MECHANICAL AQUATIC VEGETATION HARVESTING
WITH AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT, MINOCQUA, WI





Algae mixed in with Curly Leaf Pondweed and Duckweed

Upper Tainter North Side 2023



Before you get to the Sandbar, on your immediate left



7-18-24 North Bay Upper Tainter



Upper Tainter South East Corner-On the way to the Sandbar-Right Side 7-10-24



Hay
River
7/10/24



Lower Tainter 7-6-2024

Lilly Pads and duckweed. Algae will be coming too...

Aquatic
Plant
Management
project
summer of
2025



**\$39,000 for 2 seven days of
harvesting (14 days total)-Turn Key
Operation**

HARVESTING CONT...

Tainter Lake is saturated with the invasive species Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP). CLP has no natural predators or enemies. CLP crowds out beneficial aquatic plants that can't compete. CLP is aggressive, prolific and spreads fast

- Our committee is recommending hiring Wisconsin based Aquatic Plant Management (APM) to provide equipment and personnel to mechanically harvest and dispose of CLP and other spreading weeds in Tainter Lake Following DNR guidelines; this would happen in the summer of 2025, and cost \$39,000.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET

Tainter Lake Rehabilitation District					
2024-25 Budget Summary					
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	Year	Actual	Actual		
	Budget				
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REVENUE

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EXPENDITURES

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**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CORRESPONDING TAX
LEVY TO BALANCE THE BUDGET**

\$60,734.00



TAX LEVY EXPLANATION

Calculation

$$\text{Mill Levy} = \frac{\text{required rev.}}{1000 \times \text{Taxable prop. Assessed value}}$$

Property tax = $\frac{\text{Property value} \times \text{Mill Levy}}{1000}$

Tax Levy Estimator 2024-25			
		Property Value	Tax
Budget Expenditure Total	\$ 60,734.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 36.67
Special Charges	\$ -	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 73.34
Donations/Contributions	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 110.00
Grant Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 146.67
Carryover/Cash Balance	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 183.34
		\$ 250,000.00	\$ 91.67
Levy Amount	\$ 60,734.00		
Mil Levy	\$ 0.36667946609		
Tainter Lake District Assessed Valuation (Jan. 2024)	\$ 165,632,400.00		

ELECTION OF COMMISSIONER

- Nominations from the floor (if nominations from the floor allow all candidates 2 minutes to address the assembly)
- Motion to close nominations
- Appoint 3 tellers to tally votes
- Vote
 - Adam Mucks
 - Tim Maves
- Announce the new commissioner and vote totals for new 3-year term

ADJOURN

*THANK YOU FOR COMING AND PARTICIPATING IN THE
FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TAINTER LAKE
REHABILITATION DISTRICT*

2025 ANNUAL MEETING AUG. 2, 2025 @ 10:00 A.M.

