

CUBA LAKE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Pole Barn, 5962 West Shore Road, Cuba, NY 14727
REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 14, 2021 – 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Cuba Lake District Board of Commissioners was opened at 7:00 PM by Chairman Morris. Due to Covid-19, this meeting was held virtually via Zoom. Notices were placed at the Pole Barn meeting location.

PRESENT: Jay Morris, Chairman
Jamie Pierotti, Vice Chair
Dana Perrigo, Commissioner
Byron Long, Commissioner
Sarah Bradley, Commissioner

Andrew Lindquist, Treasurer
James Sherrard, Secretary
Scott Barrey, Lake Manager

GUESTS: *Each guest will be allowed 3 minutes to speak at the beginning of the meeting. If discussion results, it will be a maximum of 15 minutes per discussion. Any further comments will be made at the end of the meeting. Thank you.*

No guests in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Review of the Regular Meeting minutes of December 10, 2020. Chairman Morris asked for any comments, corrections or recommendations. None noted. Comr. Long moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to accept the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

TREASURER'S DISTRICT FUNDS REPORT:

Cuba Lake Cash Account Balances – Treasurer Lindquist referenced the reports and presented account balances for December 2020.

Cuba Lake District List of Claims – Treasurer Lindquist referenced the list of claims for December 2020, totaling \$7099.14.

Comr. Long moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to approve Cuba Lake District Cash Account Balances and Cuba Lake District List of Claims for December 2020. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

TREASURER'S MANAGEMENT FUNDS REPORT:

Cuba Lake District Management Fund Cash Balances – Treasurer Lindquist referenced the reports and presented account balances for December 2020.

Cuba Lake District Management Fund Checks Written – Treasurer Lindquist referenced the checks written detail for December 2020, totaling \$8873.80.

Comr. Bradley moved, seconded by Vice Chair Pierotti, to approve Cuba Lake District Management Fund Cash Balances and Cuba Lake District Management Fund Checks Written for December 2020. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Dam & Spillway Remediation – There has been an email exchange between Chairman Morris and OGS Contract Management Specialist Christopher Casey, OGS Landscape Architect Laura Shaddak, and OGS Assistant Business Unit Leader Michael T. Mitchell, P.E. regarding additional information and scheduling a call between the District and OGS. Additional email exchange between Chairman Morris and OGS Associate Attorney Frank Pallante on scheduling a call after Jan. 20 to discuss Dam options with the District, OGS and counsel. Chairman Morris will provide the OGS call information with all commissioners available to participate. Discussion followed on State law and Lake drainage.
2. Chairman Morris received an email from Larry Kus informing him that Senate Bill NYS-1753 has been submitted and citizens have the option to state their opinion on the Bill. This information will be included in the newsletter. <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2019/a10945>

LOT TRANSFERS:

1. Lot #213 – Elizabeth Armstrong to Knut J. Johnsen III and Candy Johnsen
2. Lot #310 – John S. Booth III to Kristina Sidaraviciute
3. Lot #311 – John S. Booth III to Barbara Caster Mikush and Paul Mikush
4. Lot #319 – The Older Living Trust to John V. Simons and Laurie J. Simons

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Commemorating Erick Laine – The commissioners further discussed and approved of a way to honor the memory of Erick Laine. Comr. Bradley will proceed with obtaining the required approvals.

LAKE MANAGER’S REPORT – JANUARY 2021:

- Projects
 - Have requested reimbursement from ACSWD for balance of Abbott’s Creek Project
 - All remaining funds from Rawson Project will be applied to Harvester purchase
- Dam Safety
 - OGS has plan for Dam and Spillway remediation
- Pole Barn
 - Waiting on overhead door
 - Organizing shop – new shelving
- Harvester Maintenance
- Concerns for Discussion
 - Variance for Lot #16
 - Front porch variance
- Permits

○ 21.18.310	Plants	Break wall
○ 21.19.311	Mikush	Replace Dock

Following some discussion, Comr. Bradley moved, seconded by Comr. Perrigo, to approve the 3’ setback variance for Lot #16 Emily Woodhead. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Vice Chair Pierotti inquired about Mt. Monroe sediment removal. Lake Manager Barrey stated that nothing has been done, but it should be cleaned out. Some discussion followed.

Lake Manager Barrey reported that a permit has been submitted for a slope for the harvester and additional docks.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Building and Lot Improvements/Lake Maintenance** – Committee members: Byron Long with Lake Manager and CLD Building Inspector. No additional items to discuss.
2. **Budget and Finance** – Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Andrew Lindquist. No items to discuss.
3. **Water Quality** – Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Sarah Bradley. Comr. Perrigo stated that the Lake is frozen with no snow, but lots of fishers.
4. **State Relations** – Committee members: Jay Morris and Jamie Pierotti. Chairman Morris reported that they are anticipating a call with OGS.
5. **Public Relations and Cuba Lake Newsletter** – Committee members: Jay Morris and Byron Long. Newsletter items should be sent to Mary Lindquist by Monday, January 18.
6. **Sediment Removal** – Committee members: Jamie Pierotti, Dana Perrigo, with Lake Manager. Previously discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Management Fund Budget 2021 – The Management Fund Budget was presented and reviewed. A short discussion followed. Comr. Long moved, seconded by Vice Chair Pierotti, to approve the Management Fund Budget for 2021. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.
2. Vice Chair Pierotti raised the topic of the size of boats on the Lake, especially large wake boats, and the potential property damage and safety issue. Following some discussion, it was determined that this issue warrants additional discussion. Lake Manager Barrey will look into other policies and check on steps needed for action. It was noted that safety issues can be reported to the sheriff.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LAKE:

1. The days are getting longer, and there is a buffalo on the Lake in support of the Buffalo Bills.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Morris called for executive session to discuss personnel matters. Comr. Perrigo moved to enter executive session, seconded by Vice Chair Pierotti. MOTION CARRIED unanimously. Lake Manager Barrey, was excused from the meeting at 8:27 PM.

The commissioners discussed employee health insurance plan options and cost. Comr. Long moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to approve the allocation of \$6,000 toward full-time employee health insurance premium cost. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The commissioners exited executive session at 8:40 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Comr. Perrigo moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James Sherrard, Secretary