

FRIENDSHIP LAKE DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY JUNE 4, 2019 5:30PM
ADAMS COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER
569 N. CEDAR STREET, ADAMS, WI 53910

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Bob Berry called the meeting to order at approximately 5:36 pm. Present was commissioner Karen Pokorny. Tina Meinen was excused. Also present were Ron Johnson from the Town of Adams, Lee Parlow from the Village of Friendship, Rick Pease from Adams County, and the new Town of Preston Representative, Scott Parr. There were 8 district members present.
2. **Review and Approval of the Minutes from the May 7, 2019, Commissioners Board Meeting:** The minutes from the May 7, 2019 Commissioners Board Meeting were reviewed. Ron Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Rick Pease. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **Review and Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** In Tina's absence, Karen Pokorny read Tina's prepared Treasurer's Report. Karen reported as of today's date, the Now checking account has a balance of \$380.71, the Money Market account balance is \$68,453.98, and the Friends of Friendship Lake Fundraising account is \$5,261.57, showing a total balance of all accounts at \$69,096.26. This balance includes \$16.01 interest earned. The current dam mortgage loan balance is \$102,162.99. Monthly expenses included the mortgage payment of \$811.02, Legal and Professional fees for \$153.50, IT services \$49.50, Office supplies including printing of flyers for the fishing tournament for \$188.95, and Utilities of \$48.50. Total expenses paid to date were \$1,241.47. Scott Parr had a question regarding the recently acquired line of credit for \$300,000.00 as he did not see it noted on Tina's monthly report. Karen did state that the line of credit with Adams Community Bank is in place and will be used to cover the costs of the repairs of the dam. It is an interest only note and has not yet been activated. Lee Parlow made a motion to approve the monthly treasurer's report and was seconded by Rick Pease. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Friendship Lake Dam Repair Project Update:** Bob said that there really isn't too much to report. The plans are still to begin the drawdown on July 8, 2019. Bob said that we are working with Staab on a few change orders (work not included in the grant) such as electrical upgrade, masonry, roofing, etc. The first estimate on the masonry of the Powerhouse came in over \$100,000.00. Bob has been in contact with a local mason, who submitted a bid for \$33,000.00. It was Bob and the board's opinion that the first contractor just didn't want the job. Karen did share that the past week we received a notice from the DNR stating that they are awarding about \$12,000.00 more towards our grant. The DNR stated that this money available in a contingency fund. That is great news for our project. One member questioned the \$33,000.00 cost of the tuckpointing on the powerhouse and thought that it was still quite high. Bob did explain that there is a lot of work and that in some areas the brick has totally pulled away from the concrete block structure. Karen thanked Rick Pease for his suggestion to reach out to Enbridge Pipeline regarding grant availability to the district and the dam repair project. Karen did state that with the help of Steve La Valle, a grant was submitted to Enbridge this past week.

5. **Harvester Ramp Project Update:** Bob stated that we received only one bid for the planned harvester ramp project. T & L Excavation, Todd Dolata, was awarded the construction project. The project did come a bit higher than anticipated, at \$41,000.00. A question was asked as why Fenner Construction, or Hintz Construction were not considered. Bob explained that neither company submitted a bid for our project. Bob did reach out personally to each and shared copy of the project plans. The response was that they were both too busy with other projects this year and couldn't complete the harvester ramp during the planned drawdown. The 2014 initial project plans were revised by the DNR and the Army Corps of Engineers this year with updated construction requirements. Todd's company will comply these required changes and he is available during the August time-period to complete.

6. **Report from Friends of Friendship Lake:** Linda Graf shared that the Spring Fling held on May 18th, was a great success. Over 75 people attended a fun night of raffles, dinner, and even a caricature artist capturing the humor of the guests with drawings. Linda said that we have a very busy summer with fundraising. The Friends will be having their annual brat fry at County Market on Wednesday July 3, 2019. This is the same day we held it last year and proved to be very successful. Along with the brat fry we will be having the bake sale and need baked items to sell. We will also have a table set up to sell t-shirts. Linda had sign-up sheets available at the meeting. Linda said that they are also working with Ed Aksamit on the fishing tournament and will provide food at the beach on June 29, 2019, from noon to 3:00pm. Linda again said that we need of volunteers to help with food, raffles, and t-shirt sales that day. As a reminder the Friends next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 19, 2019, at 11:30am, at Moundview Golf Course. The Friends is also working with Karen on the golf outing and Linda will let Karen update the plans for that event.

7. **Report on Fishing Tournament:** Ed Aksamit reported that he met with the Village of Friendship the day before this meeting. The Village approved the use of the beach for food and raffles for the June 29, 2019 Bass Fishing Tournament. Ed said that we also received the okay from the Village to allow the trucks and trailers from the boats to be parked at Friendship Park during the event. This will free up parking at the beach for the day. The big raffle item is a Pelican Kayak and raffle tickets will be available next week for \$5 or 5 for \$20.00. Along with that there will be a few other raffles. Ed said he has been working closely with RJ Waite from Castle Rock Bassmasters on this event with cash prizes of \$550.00, \$250.00, and \$150.00. Ed plans on meeting with the Friends on the 19th at their luncheon to finalize the food service. Along with the Bass Tournament there will be a Children's Fishing Tournament at Island Resort. Ed said that he and his wife Vicky have put together participation baggies for each child. In addition, there will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, as well as trophy's being created by County Market. The fishing tournament flyers have been posted around town and the tournament is free for children 12 and under. All money raised is to match the \$1700.00 grant from Adams County Land and Water towards fish restocking. Ed is looking for volunteers both at the Island Resort and the Beach. Karen suggested that we may want to contact Dolata's Septic and get a porta potty on site at the Island Resort on the day of the event. Karen will coordinate that with Dolata's next week. Karen contacted our insurance company and we will need each child's parent to sign a waiver who attends the fishing tournament. This waiver is currently being written to be used and includes Island Resort. Gregg and Janine Weiss from Island Resort also suggested we contact the DNR and our local wardens to the children's fishing tournament. Maybe they could offer information to children and their parent's on boat safety, life jackets, and fishing rules. Karen will contact the DNR and share our request.

8. **Report from Golf Outing Committee:** Karen said that the committee met this afternoon and that the plans are coming along nicely. Karen recommended that if you want to golf and have a team in place to get that information to her very soon. Information and registration forms are on our website. The outing is now posted at the golf course and Joe Theisen is predicting that it will fill up quickly. Karen explained the “hole in one” challenge and other raffles and games being offered. If you don’t want to golf please join us for dinner and fun time with raffles and auction items.

9. **Any Unfinished Business:** Nothing reported

10. **Any New Business:** Bob reported that the annual donation to Nadine Ashworth for the Friendship Lake Fireworks is budgeted for \$1,000.00. Bob asked that we get a message to Tina to get that payment to Nadine in the next week to cover her expenses. A question was asked if there is interest in placing a float in this year’s 4th of July Parade. After discussion it was decided with the big brat fry fundraising the day before July 3, 2019, no one is really interested in participating in the parade with a float.

11. **Set the Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday July 2, 5:30pm at Adams County Community Center

12. **Adjournment:** Lee Parlow made the motion to adjourn and was seconded by Rick Pease. The motion carried unanimously.