

Minutes

Newman Lake Flood Control Zone District Advisory Board Meeting July 11, 2022-3:00 pm-4:15 pm

Chair, Karen Stebbins called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm. Attendees included advisory board members Karen Stebbins, LeaAnn Gould, Dan Clark, and Steve Schleer. Polly Phipps, Jim Quigley, and Stephanie Kennedy were absent. A quorum was represented at this open meeting via Zoom.

Dan Clark was the assigned secretary today. No action was taken on the June 13, 2022 minutes.

Budget Review: Spokane County staff members Derek Vilar and Ben Brattebo discussed the 2022 budget and the 2023 proposed draft budget. Alum costs increased in 2022 and will continue to rise in 2023. Derek wants to use Procellacor to treat Milfoil. Procellacor costs almost the same as 2,4-D, when used in lower concentrations. Also, there are fewer water use restrictions with Procellacor. Derek also said repairs on outlet gates and dredging the outlet channel may become necessary.

Water Quality Update: Derek Vilar said the DO was low before we turned on the speece cone this year in May. LeaAnn said the line diffusers, alum treatments, beaver dam analogs, and sewer/septic are top priorities to help with better water quality. She emphasized the need to hire a limnologist.

ARP Update: Spokane County will announce the ARP awards early next week.

Board of Appraisers Update: The WA Attorney General has not answered the written request for direction regarding the taxation of open space and forestry exemptions.

Public Launch Update: Karen Stebbins and Steve Schleer met with Cory Smith who oversees the Spokane County Shoreline Master Program. They discussed the water line and septic holding tank for the camper on the lot.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2022 at 3 pm.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Clark