## Minutes Dunkirk Dam Lake District (DDLD) April 19, 2023 quarterly meeting

Location: Dunkirk Town Hall

## In Attendance:

DDLD Commissioners	Attendees		Guests
• Laura Davis*, Chair	Sherry Webb*	David Gove*	
• Lauri Hodge*, Treasurer	Mary Ellen Mackey*	Kyle Roth	
Becky Dakin*, Secretary	Doug Mackenzie*	Norm Monsen	
Michael Engelberger, Dane County Appointee	Ted Christman*		
	Kristin Drewieck*		!

<sup>\*</sup> DDLD property owner/resident

Topic	Discussion	Action
	DDLD Quarterly Meeting Minutes – 4.19.23	
Call to Order	• Laura Davis called the meeting to order at 6:52pm. Technical difficulties caused this late start.	None
Minutes	Becky reviewed the minutes from the January meeting. The minutes were approved as summarized.	Becky will record the minutes as approved and re-post to the website.
Introductions	• All in attendance introduced themselves and shared how many years they have lived on the river.	None
Dunkirk Township Update	<ul> <li>Laura shared Dan Jenks' report as he was unable to attend.</li> <li>There will be a public hearing May 8<sup>th</sup> regarding Dunkirk Parks – 6:00pm at the Townhall.</li> <li>Roadwork is planned for Taylor Lane from Aaker to Hogie. This will be a complete "rip out," not just a resurface. The road will not be closed but may have significant delays. This may start as early as June but can easily get postponed due to the road crew's obligations.</li> <li>The township plans to increase communication through their website.</li> <li>Parking on the bridge on Hwy N is a problem. The DDLD Safety Committee is asked to look at that issue.</li> <li>Laura also shared that Dan asked if Dunkirk could remove the unsightly fence at the lower area of Lyons Park. This was accomplished.</li> <li>Laura mentioned that Dunkirk would like to move the picnic tables to make it easier to</li> </ul>	Residents: consider attending May 8 <sup>th</sup> mtng re parks  Safety Committee to review parking issue near Hwy N bridge.  Dan Jenks: see picnic table placement suggestions

	mow the grass. They asked if we had preference as to placement. They also want to put mulch or gravel around the tables so the grass won't grow. Suggestions: put the tables in the shade if possible and possibly move one to the top area on flat spots.	
Dane County Update	<ul> <li>Michael Engelberger shared that the big task on Dane County's plate is getting the funding for the jail approved. This has been talked about for 20-30 years. The majority of funding is in place and final approval/vote will take place soon.</li> <li>Mike also shared that he has sponsored 204 resolutions in his first year in office. 184 of those passed. He currently serves on six committees. His main focus has been public works, transportation, renewable energies, housing, public safety, and land &amp; water issues.</li> </ul>	None
Update:	Laura recapped that the purchase of the property closed in February and title was	Lyons Park Stewardship
Adler/Hansen	immediately transferred from Groundswell to Dunkirk.	Committee will meet on
property acquisition aka	<ul> <li>The first meeting of the Stewardship Committee to oversee the development of this property will meet next week.</li> </ul>	April 24 <sup>th</sup> .
Lyons Park expansion	<ul> <li>Laura has had 11 different meetings (Dane County, DNR, funding sources, etc.) to determine the many steps needed to use this land for a put-in/take-out</li> </ul>	
	• The plan will take place in two phases. Phase one will be the development of a concept plan. Phase two will be the execution of that plan.	
	<ul> <li>Currently, the Stewardship Committee will consider proposals submitted by engineering firms to put together the concept plan that will include them meeting with all regulators and stakeholders.</li> </ul>	
Treasurer's Report	<ul> <li>Lauri Hodge provided the Treasurer's Report explaining the expenses and income over the past 3 months. Activity included tax levy dollars received from Dunkirk as well as the annual installment on the dam repair loan. One more payment for the dam repair loan will occur March 2024. DDLD residents will see a change in their tax levy for January 2025.</li> <li>The Treasurer's Report was approved.</li> </ul>	None
Courier HUB article	• Laura mentioned the wonderful article that appeared in the HUB discussing the acquisition of the property below the dam. Becky commented that the editor was thrilled to write this article and asked that we provide him with a follow up in a few months. Dave Gove shared that you can access the Courier HUB e-edition online at no cost.	Becky, contact HUB editor in 3 months to provide w a follow-up article
Special Presentation: "Protecting Your Waterfront"	Postponed until our next meeting in July.	Becky, re-post this on the web.

Other	Laura mentioned that, on the October agenda, she would like us to consider making the	Becky – place "no-wake
conversations	DDLD two-mile stretch a no-wake zone.	zone" on Oct agenda.
at the end of	Doug mentioned that he took some yard waste to the Stoughton Recycling Center on	
the meeting	Collins Rd and learned that Dunkirk residents do not need to pay the \$25 annual fee as that is paid by the township for all Dunkirk residents.	
	<ul> <li>Norm mentioned that he and several others were late as they had attended the meeting at the Stoughton Country Club concerning the Stoughton dam removal. Norm and Marty shared what took place at that meeting.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Norm also mentioned that the first property to be included in the preservation initiative for Dunkirk belongs to Sandy Quail and Joyce It's 176 acres and backs up to the marsh. This land will now be designated open space. The property will have deed restrictions. It can be privately owned but can't be developed. The deed restrictions will always stay with the property.</li> </ul>	
Adjourn	The Quarterly DDLD April 2023 Meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm	