# **CUBA LAKE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Pole Barn, 5962 West Shore Road, Cuba, NY 14727

**REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 9, 2020 – 7:00 PM** 

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting of the Cuba Lake District Board of Commissioners, held at the District Pole Barn, was opened at 7:00 PM by Chairman Morris.

**PRESENT:** Jay Morris, Chairman

Jamie Pierotti, Vice Chair Jeff Bradley, Commissioner Dana Perrigo, Commissioner Byron Long, Commissioner

James Sherrard, Secretary Andrew Lindquist, Treasurer 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.

Mary Lindquist (CLCOA)

- The Cuba Lake Cottage Owners Association would like to donate \$2,000 toward the purchase of the new weed harvester, and another \$3,000 when CD funds are received.
- CLCOA would like to recommend/donate toward the construction of a sidewalk at the back entrance of the Pole Barn. Lake Manager Barrey will provide an approximate cost.
- Asked for any newsletter items. Chairman Morris suggested a recycle sorting flyer.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Review of minutes of December 12, 2019. 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 circulated reports and presented account balances for December 2019.

**Cuba Lake District List of Claims –** Treasurer Lindquist presented and circulated the list of claims for December 2019, totaling \$10,649.32.

Comr. Bradley moved, seconded by Comr. Long, to approve Cuba Lake District Cash Account Balances and Cuba Lake District List of Claims for December 2019. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

## TREASURER'S MANAGEMENT FUNDS REPORT:

**Cuba Lake District Management Fund Cash Balances –** Treasurer Lindquist circulated reports and presented account balances for December 2019.

**Cuba Lake District Management Fund Checks Written** – Treasurer Lindquist presented and circulated the checks written detail for December 2019, totaling \$9458.38.

Comr. Long 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 2019. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1. Lake Manager Barrey reported that he received an email from Frank Pallenti of the O.G.S. stating that \$1 million will be proposed in next year's New York State budget for repairs. A short discussion followed.
- 2. Counsel Jack Hart contacted Thomas A. Phol of the O.G.S. offering a phone conversation. There has been no further communication after providing availability dates.
- 3. E-mail from counsel Jack Hart to Chairman Morris clarified that the CLD can proceed with borrowing funds for the purchase of the weed harvester without the need of a public vote.

#### **LOT TRANSFERS:**

- 1. Lot #43 To Chelsea Fitzpatrick and Kathleen Fitzpatrick
- 2. Lot #278 Bradley to The George Christman Bradley Trust

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. Changes to Chapter 263 of Laws of 1981 Changes written last year will be proposed for this year. The key term "fair market value" would be revised to "fair market and reasonable value."
- 2. Seneca Nation of Indians Application to the EPA There has been no new input on this matter. It is believed that the Seneca Nation simply wants to control the volume and quality of water in its territory. We will stay aware of any developments.
- 3. Weed Harvester Financing Treasurer Lindquist reported that two CDs could be cashed in for the \$50K down payment for the weed harvester. He has spoken with Community Bank regarding financing the balance. Discussion followed on loan and payment options. The cost of the weed harvester is \$183K with an additional \$15K for the trailer.

Comr. Perrigo moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to approve the use of the CD funds for the \$50K down payment on the weed harvester, with the remainder financed by Community Bank. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Treasurer Lindquist will cash in the CDs and write a check for the down payment, and proceed with financing. Lake Manager Barrey will contact Aquarius about the purchase.

#### LAKE MANAGER'S REPORT - JANUARY 2020:

- Projects
- Abbott's Creek bank stabilization
  - Received permits
  - Ungermann Excavation to schedule
- Cleanout of Mount Monroe Basin
  - Fall 2019 / Spring 2020
- Dredging for harvester
  - Requesting permits
- Replace vertical lumber on spillway
  - Lumber being milled

- Dam Safety
  - o O.G.S. planning spillway remediation
  - \$ 1,000,000.00 in next year's budget
- Pole Barn
  - Conduct tool inventory
- Harvester Purchase
  - Send contract to Aquarius
- Concerns for Discussion
  - None
- Permits
  - o None

The proposed Lake Management Budget for 2020 was distributed and reviewed. Comr. Pierotti moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley to approve the budget and send it to New York State for approval. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. **Building and Lot Improvements/Lake Maintenance** Committee members: Jeff Bradley and Byron Long with Lake Manager and CLD Building Inspector. No items to report.
- 2. **Budget and Finance** Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Andrew Lindquist. Treasurer Lindquist distributed the Annual Report of the Treasurer for review. Other items were previously discussed.
- 3. **Water Quality** Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Jeff Bradley. Short discussion on ice fishermen already on the Lake.
- 4. **State Relations** Committee members: Jay Morris and Jamie Pierotti. The District has reached out, but there has been no conversation.
- 5. **Public Relations and Cuba Lake Newsletter** Committee members: Jay Morris and Byron Long. Mary Lindquist is working on the newsletter to go out this month.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Garbage Contract Review – Discussion on adding an electronic waste pick-up day to the contract. Secretary Sherrard and Comr. Perrigo will revise. Secretary Sherrard will then advertise for bids.

#### FOR THE GOOD OF THE LAKE:

- 1. The Lake is trying to freeze.
- 2. The Bald Eagles are enjoying the Lake. Comr. Long has seen three at once.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Chairman Morris called for Executive Session at 8:24 PM. Exit at 8:50 PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James Sherrard, Secretary

Next Meeting February 13, 2020