

SAWYER LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT  
MONTHLY COMMISSIONERS'S MEETING  
January 18, 2024

Present: Rich Adams, Dave Leboeuf, Tom LeMien, Bob Dow, Janice Tkacek, and Paula Adams

Meeting came to order at 6:00 PM. The Minutes from the December 21, 2023, meeting were read, accepted, and seconded.

- Dam: Everything is approved for the new pipes. Rich has applied for another grant for the dam repair. One of the things they need is the Town's Emergency Preparedness Plan. Rich spoke with Chief Hempel and received a copy of the Plan and sent it off. He was informed that this wasn't good enough. He just received this information today, so he's not sure where we stand at this time.
- Beaches: No business,
- Roads: Very active pattern this past month. We get snow and then it rains and we lose the snow. Bob is trying to keep the water off the roads to keep them safe. Things are better because the roads are frozen. Dave brought up that cars need to be kept off the street for plowing. They are not going to be replowed because the car was finally moved.  
The problem with culvert on Applewood and Hemlock was brought up. Dave brought up again that the culvert on that corner belongs to the town not the district. The town has been asked many times to repair this culvert. Bob spoke with them last year right around Christmas to please clean it out. The town said they can't do anything now. Every time that causes an issue, we get all the complaints. If a resident has a problem with anything on the paved roads, call the Road Agent Paul Perkins. All his information is on the town web site. The more voices that complain to the town, the more will that will get accomplished.

- **Treasurer's Report:** Everything is paid, except for the new bills received today. The Commissioners' have signed all the bank statements and new bills. Daigle's bill has been received and paid.

Operating Account:	\$ 5,682.52
General Fund:	\$207,205.56

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and seconded.

- **Budget:** Bob came up with one major issue for repairs and that is Iris Avenue. This road, because it's all ledge, continually washes out. Bob had Dave Clairmont up to look at the road. He feels they would be able to break up some of the ledge and put in a ditch line and put down seven inches of reclaimed asphalt. Then pounding it in with a roller in the height of the summer when it's really hot. We would be doing about 200 feet. The ditch would have the water running into the woods. The lake roads were never designed for year-round use. The lake would shut down on Labor Day. Another potential problem is Orange Avenue.  
Last year's Road Budget was \$70,000 and we spent \$77,000. Could we raise the budget to \$86,000? We should let Clairmont know as soon as possible to get on the schedule.  
We have \$15,000 in the Dam Budget and we only spent \$3,000. There is still \$12,000 left. We can put that aside and save it to put toward the \$30,000 Grant Repairs. Rich asked Emily Szymt, the Agent, for the Grant, where do we send checks for payment? We don't. We have to use all the grant money first. This year we will put another \$15,000 into the Capital Reserve and this will give us almost all we need.



- Budget Continued: We should also have the District Building looked at. The side where we enter is all rotted and needs to be replaced. We should have enough money to have this repaired. We have \$5500 in the Beach Budget and spent just a little over \$3,000. Beach 2 will need some culvert repair to help prevent it washing out. Bob feels we need to put a culvert in the woods to catch the water before it reaches the beach.
- Open Forum: It was asked, do we have a lawyer on retainer? No we don't. Do the Commissioners' feel we are getting our monies worth for the taxes we pay? Everyone in town has the same complaint. Again, you complain and right now, nothing is being done. Hopefully, the new person in the Road Department will make things better.

Dave, Tom, and Rick Morehead were at the Planning Board Meeting to hear the Article to store trailers here at the lake. In the late 90's it was proposed to the town that no trailers, RV's, etc, were going to be allowed on the lake except the five grandfathered in. They have permits from April 1 to November 1. Next week on January 24, at 6:30 PM, there will be a meeting at the town building to discuss trailer storage only. You cannot live in it or have company stay in it.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM This was accepted and seconded.

Paula Adams  
Clerk

**SAWYER LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT**  
**2023 FINANCIAL REPORT AND 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET**

ACCOUNT	CATEGORY	WARRANT ARTICLES	#2023 BUDGET	#2023 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
4130-4139	EXECUTIVE		2220.00	2160.00	2200.00
4150-4151	FINANCIAL ADMIN		1150.00	702.58	1150.00
4153	LEGAL		2000.00	1059.50	2000.00
4194	GOV BUILDING		2500.00	1279.16	2500.00
4196	INSURANCE		1200.00	1479.00	1500.00
4312	ROADS		70000.00	79519.24	80000.00
4319	DAM		15000.00	3000.00	15000.00
4520-4529	BEACHES		5500.00	2433.01	5500.00
4711	LT BOND PRINCIPAL		10000.00	10000.00	10000.00
4721	LT BOND INTEREST		1375.00	1375.00	1000.00
TOTAL	OPERATING BUDGET		110945.00	103007.49	120850.00
4199	WARRANT ARTICLES	CONTINGENCY	15000.00	12613.61	15000.00
		CAPITAL RESERVE	15000.00		15000.00

2023 Precinct tax collected was \$124,449.00. Deposited into General Account on December 21, 2023