

SLPO Board Meeting via ZOOM

July 18, 2023

Board Members on-line: Karen Cowan, Paul Sturm, Linda & Brad Pendleton,
Ron Largen, Jane Clark, Kurt Peterson & Dustin Thiers.

Meeting was called to order by President Karen Cowan at 6:04 pm.

Before the weir information was shared President Karen reported that she had sent out bid information regarding the weir project, lake clean up invoices and shared her conversation with Max Shiva. After emails, texts along with a phone call, Karen informed Max that he had missed five meetings in a row and hasn't been responsive to emails. According to our bylaws that requires us to have him removed from the Spirit Lake Property Owners board, he agreed to stepping down.

The board needs to be active in trying to find names of those willing to become board members.

Weir project:

President Karen Cowan, Jerry Peterson will meet with Kevin Koesal, City Engineer who is with Sewall Engineering along with Dave Simons next week. Dave has agreed to do the excavation & demolition.

The City of Spirit Lake will own the dam once completed. Kevin Koesal talked to the Mayor Jeremy regarding an easement for construction only. Dave Simon needs a bond for the project along with insurance during the construction process.

Items not covered:

1. Water levels – core samples necessary
2. Weather – if it gets freezes they may have to use insulating blankets on the concrete.
3. Extra rock if necessary
4. Pumping of water away from construction site.
5. Other potential costs – the unknown!

With the donations and grant we have about \$213,000.00 in the weir account.

New bids so far are as follows:

NNAC - \$198,900.00

Southwest Construction \$177,300.00

Paul Sturm moved that as a board we accept Dave Simons bid with the contingent on and not to exceed up to \$200,000.00 for change orders. Ron Largent seconded .

Discussion followed: Jane Clark asked if Dave Simons have a local team? Yes, Evergreen out of CDA and they have previously constructed weir projects.

Kevin Koesal will work with the engineers, basically overseeing the project.

Question was called and a vote was taken of those present via zoom as well as Jerry Peterson via voice vote per Paul. The motion passed unanimously.

Lake Clean up was money well spent and everyone was pleased with Bullhead Construction (Wyatt Brown) along with Boon Docks and volunteers that worked hard to keep the boat ramp area cleared and available for boaters. NOTE: Although we had no control, we couldn't have chosen a busier day!!

Meeting adjourned at 7:04PM.

Minutes submitted by Linda Pendleton

- NOTE: You will notice that in the minutes of 6-26-2023 we accepted viable bids from NNAC and also a bid on 7-18-2023 from Southwest Construction. As of today, we have not signed or formally agreed to a contract with either company.