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**The Beecher and Upper Lakes
Public Inland Lake Protection and
Rehabilitation District**

Annual Meeting

- August 31, 2019 -

Beecher Town Hall - Beecher, Wisconsin

Submitted by Jim Johnson, Secretary

- Open Forum -

The Open Forum was called to order at 9:12 am by Lindi Magnuson. Her first order of business was to introduce Chuck Druckrey, Water Resource Specialist for Marinette County. Chuck then gave a Final Grant Summary Presentation. The following slides were used during the course of his presentation.

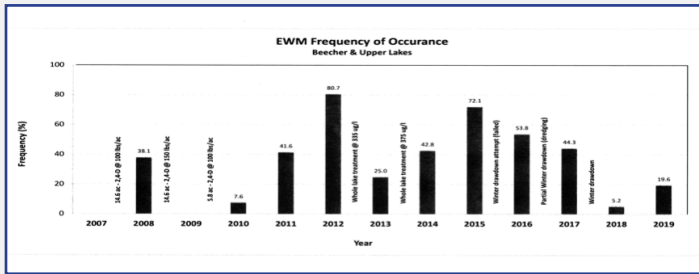
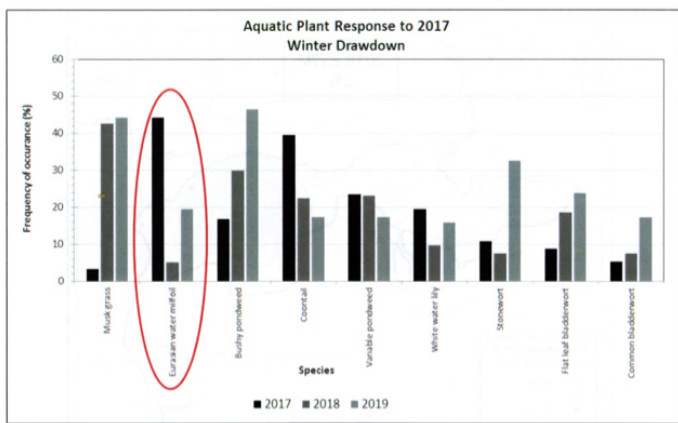
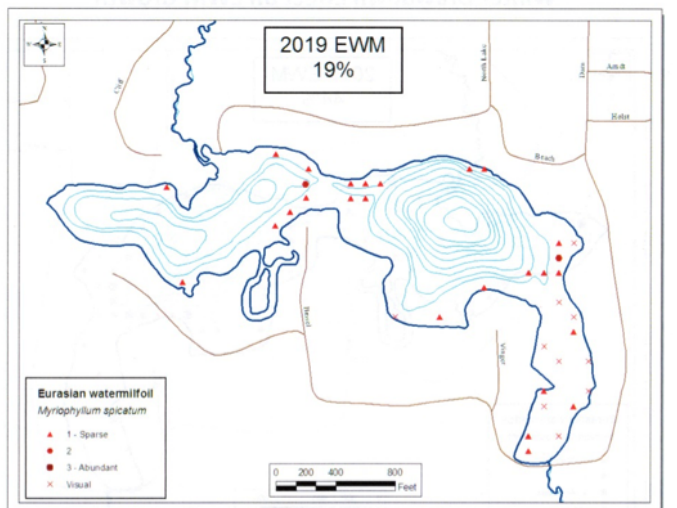
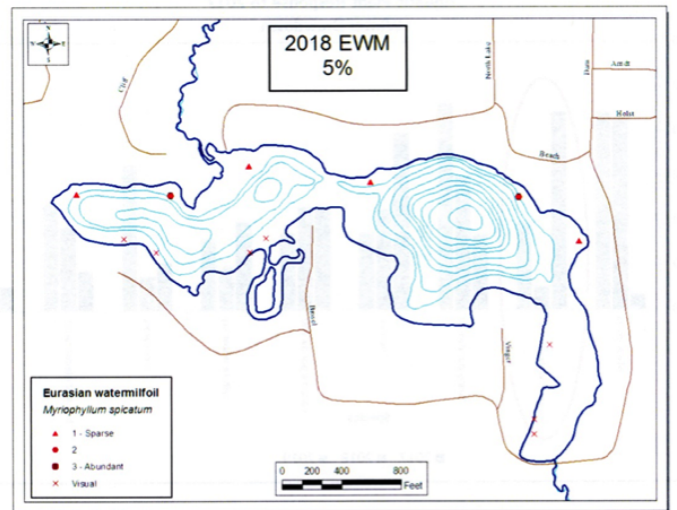
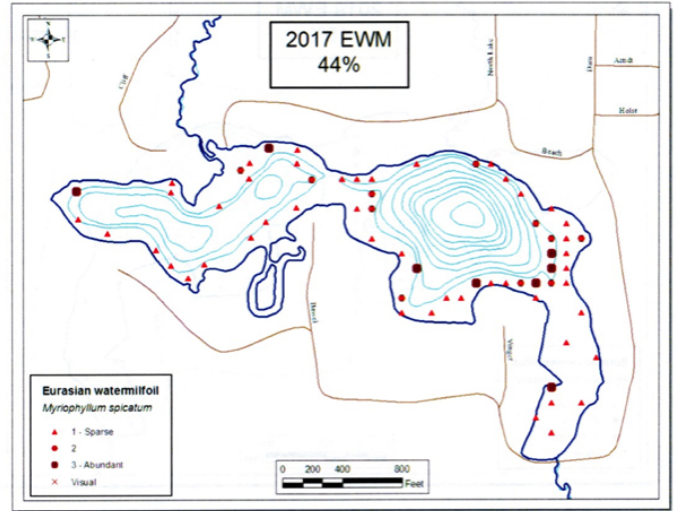


Figure 1 – Bar Graph of EWM (Eurasian watermilfoil) Frequency from 2007-2019



Winter Drawdown Effect on EWM Growth



The following are highlights from the presentation:

- a). The Grant we have been working under for the last several years will come to an end on the 31st of Dec. 2019.
- b). Our original grant had two extensions.
- c). Our drawdown frequency going forward will be every three years beginning in 2020.
- d). Chucks observations of the amount of EWM in the lake this year was 19%, up from 5% during the last observation period.

When Chuck had concluded his report there were no questions related to his findings. He was asked about “Fish Cribs” rather than the “Fish Sticks” program that Paul Lasee’s Committee oversees. He said that he couldn’t comment on that since Chuck Long was in charge of the DNR’s Fish Resources programs. Larry Richards then ask a question of Chuck regarding the chemical treatment to the Upper Lake that used a curtain to contain the chemicals in a small localized area. Chuck said that the treatment was a success and would look at other areas that could benefit by this method. No specific area was mentioned as a potential target for next year. Nancy McKenney then asked Chuck about the benefits of baskets on motors and how effective they were. She also wondered if the pulling of weeds by Chuck’s team was an option. Both of these were not viable at the present time.

- Open Forum -

Long Term Visions

The BOC Chairman then opened the floor to the group so a discussion of Long Term Visions could be discussed. Only the idea of a walking trail around the Lakes was brought up by Nancy McKenney. Some general problems related to this suggestion were discussed, i.e., getting permission to cross private lands for the construction of the trail. Further research is needed before any formal work on such a proposal can proceed.

Aiding First Responders

Mike Gotstein (Lake resident and member of the Pembine-Dunbar-Beecher Rescue Squad) then addressed the group to give some guidelines for aiding first responders in helping residents. The following ideas were the suggestions the Rescue Squad had for all Lake District members:

- a). Make sure your fire number is visible and easily seen.
 - b). Make sure your driveway is kept free of obstructions.
 - c). Keep your house clean and uncluttered for easy access in case of emergency .
- He then made a plea for volunteers to join the Rescue Squad. Jim Johnson asked about the helicopter at the Beecher little league field. Mike mentioned that it was there for training purposes.

Marinette County GIS site

Bob Magnuson from the Boundary Committee gave a short presentation regarding the use of the Marinette County GIS site. It can be very helpful in gathering information on lake properties. Clancy Whiting (Marinette County representative to the board) wanted to add that the system is updated only once a year.

The final activity of the Open Forum portion of the meeting was the introduction of all those present at the meeting. Lindi Magnuson lead off this activity and each resident and officer in turn introduced themselves. At the conclusion of this portion of the meeting a 10 minute break was given before starting the General Business section.

- Call to Order -

The Annual Business portion of the meeting was called to order by Lindi Magnuson at 10:05 am. She began the meeting by leading the group in the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

- Approval of Agenda -

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Jim Johnson and seconded by Nancy McKenney. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Approval of Minutes -

The minutes from the last Annual meeting (Sept. 2018) were published in the Aug. 2019 addition of the Beach-Chair News. Nancy McKenney made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction that the term Lake Association should be corrected to read Lake District since we are a legal entity. It was seconded by Karen Giese and approved – unanimously.

- Commissioners Reports -

Chairperson Report

Lindi Magnuson began by thanking all of the commissioners, committee chairmen and the town and county representatives for the time and effort they all put in over the last year. She also thanked Chuck Druckrey for his presentation and his continuing efforts in supporting our Lake Districts fight against Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM). Finally, she noted all the excellent work that's been done over the course of the last year by the Shoreline Protection Committee, the Aquatic Plants Committee, Fish Habitat Committee and Helen and Doyle Curtis for their work on the Communications Committee.

Secretary Report

Jim Johnson reported that he had nothing new to report at this time.

Treasurers Report

Cindy Schmeisser reviewed the financial information presented in the August 2019 addition of the Beach-Chair News (page 6) (Appendix 1 this report). Our beginning balance in August was \$37,597.42. All property owners were current on their 2019 tax assessment. The proposed 2020 budget (as seen on page 6 of the Beach-Chair News) was then broken down on a line by line basis (Appendix 1). The major item for the year was monies set aside for a second 10" valve in the dam. This will be used to maintain lower water levels during drawdown years. In addition, it was proposed that the District access itself \$100 per unit to maintain our reserve level. Jim Johnson made a motion to accept the proposed budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Mike Giese and was unanimously passed.

Beecher Town Board Representative

John Keeley had nothing new to report at this time.

Marinette County Supervisor Representative

Cary (Clancy) Whiting had nothing new to report at this time.

- Committee Reports -

Aquatic Plant Committee Report

Chuck Druckrey and Mike Gotstein talked about the proposed additional 10" pipe in the dam and its necessity in keeping the lake level maintained at the designed minus 6 foot level during a drawdown. Approvals for the plan have been accepted by the County of Marinette, the DNR and the Town of Beecher. Chucks major concern is that a safe competent contractor is found for the excavating work. The Aquatic Committee will be putting the job out for bid.

Ad Hoc Audit Committee Report

Cindy Schmeisser read Glenn Schilling letter to the District which found the current books for the Lake District to be "accurate and in good order".

Boundaries Committee Report

Bob Magnuson talked about the map, that was created and on display, showing the 71 properties that meet the requirements to be taxed by the Lake District.

Communications Committee Report

Helen and Doyle Curtis had nothing new to report at this time.

Nominating Committee Report

Jim Johnson reviewed what roles and responsibilities are involved in being a commissioner for the Lake Association.

Habitat/Fish Committee Report

Committee Chairman, Paul Lasee, reviewed what the committee had accomplished. He asked for anyone that had trees that could be freshly cut. Paul also asked for volunteers to help place the trees.

Shoreline Protection Committee Report

Carol Wickman needed all those present to verify the information the Lake District has for each owner.

Ad Hoc Picnic Committee Report

Penny Albers and Autumn Siudzinski reviewed how the tickets for the 50/50 and silent auction items can be purchased.

- Unfinished Business -

No unfinished business to conclude at this time.

- New Business -

2019 -2020 Board of Commissioner Elections
Jim Johnson noted that his 3 year term as Secretary was concluding. He asked for nominations from the floor. Amy Komis put her name forward as a candidate. She was formally nominated by Nancy McKenney and seconded by Jim Johnson. Jim Johnson was nominated for a second term by Paul Lasee and seconded by Cindy Schmiesser. A show of hands for each candidate showed 12 for Jim and 9 for Amy. Jim was reelected to a second 3 year term. The District wants to thank Amy for stepping forward to help our lake community. I'm sure we will see her as a board member in the near future.

- Announcements -

Marinette County Supervisor Representative *-Good Friends are Devine 2018 Award*

Lindi Magnuson reviewed what the Award was and the basic criteria for being nominated. This year's recipient was Nancy McKenney for her 9 years of service to the Lake Association as Chairman of the Board leading us thru the EWM grant and dredging projects years. Thanks so much Nancy!



Announcements

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Adjournment

Nancy McKenney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy Schmeisser seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.





2020 Treasurer's Report

Photo courtesy of Amy Heritsch (Beecher & Upper Lakes Society)

**Beecher and Upper Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Association
September 2020
Treasurer's Report**

		September 2020	September 2019
Income Summary			
	Balance	\$44,006.20	\$36,389.42
	Net Labor Day Picnic		\$2,369.80
	Balance from Tax Assessments	\$6,300.00	\$7,100.00
	WNDR		\$7,920.00
	Total	\$50,306.20	\$53,779.22
Expenditure Summary			
	DNR Permit		
	WDNR Grant Expenses		\$8,340.00
	Dam Modification	\$525.00	
	Marinette County Property Listing	\$3,100.00	
	News Letter Prntg and postage		\$130.57
	Casualty Insurance	\$1,194.00	\$1,188.00
	Bank Fees		
	Aquatic - Dredging		
	Office Supplies		
	Memorial Tree	\$63.59	
	Signage		\$114.45
	Total	\$4,882.59	\$9,773.02
Current Funds On Hand		Total	\$44,006.20
		\$45,423.61	\$44,006.20



Proposed 2021 Budget

Photo courtesy of Linci Magnuson (Beecher & Upper Lakes Society)

Beecher and Upper Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Proposed 2021 Budget

Expense	2021 Budget \$100 Assessment	2021 Budget \$200 Assessment	2020 Budget
Aquatic Plant Control Estimated for contingencies	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$30,000.00
Shoreline Protection (Dry Terrain)			
Habitat Improvement			*
Legal Fees			*
Office Supplies/Public Notice/Communication Team	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Storage Facility			\$0.00
Insurance Premiums	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Total Operating Costs	\$41,400.00	\$41,400.00	\$ 31,400.00
Net Position (Balance less Reserves)	\$4,023.71	\$4,023.71	\$ 6,197.00
Net Funds Required			\$0.00
	2021	2021	2020
<u>Reserve Funds *</u>	<u>Proposed Reserve</u>	<u>Proposed Reserve</u>	<u>Proposed Reserve</u>
Aquatic Committee Expense and Spillway Reserve **	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$10,660.00
Shoreline Protection (Dry Terrain - Gypsy Moth, Invasive Plants, etc..)			.
Boundaries Committee **			
Habitat/Fish Improvement	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Attorney Fees	\$975.00	\$975.00	\$975.00
Total Reserve Funds	\$2,475.00	\$2,475.00	\$ 12,135.00
* Reserve Funds can not be spent without a BOC approved committee plan and budget. Depending on requirements, funds can be shifted between reserves at the discretion of the BOC.			
** These Committees were authorized during the Annual Meeting and also have formal BOC approval which requires three items: 1) Charge (purpose), 2) Membership (prefer 3 members),			
Assessed Units	71	71	71
Proposed Tax Assessment per Unit for 2020	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Total Assessment	\$7,100.00	\$14,200.00	\$7,100.00

Aquatic Plant Committee

Committee Report to Board of Commissioners & Residents for the 2020 Annual Meeting

Committee Members:

Mike Gotstein, Joe Siudzinski, Mike Giese



There will not be a drawdown in 2020. The next drawdown is planned for Fall of 2021.

To be quite honest, we haven't accomplished much in 2020, but in reality, that isn't a bad approach but more of a deliberate strategy based on the Eurasian Milfoil (EWM) dispersion and high-water levels again in 2020 and the above average precipitation predictions going into Fall of 2020.

Chuck completed the final report in June of this year, from our 50 percent cost-share grant for the dredge and pipe project. There is one additional submittal to the WDNR to be completed for final cost share reimbursement and a tally of our volunteer hours throughout the project. We exceeded the volunteer hours needed by far in this project, thanks to all that contributed. That final grant submittal will be completed prior to the annual meeting.

The committee reviewed the lakes, along with Chuck Druckrey the week ending 7-25. One interesting observation is we're seeing much more Northern Milfoil and Coontail especially in Upper Lake, both of which looks similar to EWM. Since the water levels remain elevated, the EWM is manageable, and putting people together to put the pipes in during a pandemic, doesn't seem like a smart approach. We will put a hard "yes" in for 2021 and continue a path forward on a second pipe to be completed con-currently with a drawdown.

The intent of the second piping system is maintain the drawdown water levels as we continue to experience significant rain events late in Fall along with five consecutive years of above average annual precipitation. The swamps and low areas that drain into the watershed are full. There is no storage in those areas as well. The original pipe is just adequate to maintain water levels. The system works but it should be maximized with a second pipe to take full advantage of our dredge work.

Path Forward;

Chuck is working on submitting a Chapter 30 permit to get the second outflow pipe approved by the WDNR. I'm coordinating with a couple of sewer and water contractors to come up with estimate of costs for this project and their potential to complete the project in 2021. Hoping to have information from that effort to share at the annual meeting.

Overall, we're satisfied with the decent success we had managing EWM with minimal costs the past three years, allowing the district to build up our cash reserves to support the second piping project in the near future.

The committee, continue to believe this project extends our past successes in milfoil control well into the future while doing what is best for the Ecosystem by taking advantage of the natural drawdown principal. The WDNR and Marinette County support that vision as well.

Looking back today, in some records I have, we were spending \$3,500 per year to harvest aquatic vegetation 20 years ago.

How far we have come as an organization! Keep pulling together, and supporting the health and stewardship of the lakes, it doesn't happen by hope and luck, it get completed by people like you who are willing to provide financial; intellectual, and waders in the water commitment over time and persistence to make it happen. To quote an old man, Doug Duren, who is passionate about CWD in Southern Wisconsin, "It's not ours, it's just our turn". Thanks

Submitted by Joe Siudzinski

Call for Nominations

Beecher and Upper Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioner

Are you or someone you know interested in serving as a Board of Commissioner for the District?

Who makes up the Board of Commissioners?

The Board of Commissioners is made up of five individuals. Three Commissioners are elected by property owners at the District Annual Meeting and serve 3-year staggered terms (all must be property owners and if possible, one a full-time resident). One representative is from the Town of Beecher Board, and one representative from the Marinette County Board.

How are the officers (Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer) determined?

After elections at the Annual Meeting, the Board of Commissioners meets to determine who will assume the District Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer roles. Commissioners with experience in certain roles may wish to contribute to the District by applying their expertise (example: someone with accounting experience may be the Treasurer). However, no specific occupational experience is required to be a Board of Commissioner.

What does the Board of Commissioners do for the District- Commissioners meet quarterly to carry out day to day District business with direction provided by property owners during the Annual meeting. The Chair presides at the annual meeting, at all special meetings and meetings of the Board, and at all public hearings held by the Board. The Secretary keeps minutes of all meetings, prepares and sends notices for all meetings. The treasurer is responsible for maintaining district funds, preparing reports, preparing an annual budget, preparing documents for Audit Committee review and certifying tax statements annually to present to the Town of Beecher Treasurer and Clerk.

Roles and duties are carried out in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 19 General Duties of Public Officials (includes Open Meetings and Public Records), and Chapter 33 Public Inland Waters.

When and where are the 2020-21 meetings being held?

2020-2021 Meeting Dates:

October 24, 2020	4th Quarter 2020 BOC
February 6, 2021	1st Quarter 2021 BOC
May 15, 2021	2nd Quarter 2021 BOC
July 17, 2021	3rd Quarter 2021 BOC
September 4, 2021	Annual District Meeting
October 9, 2021	4th Quarter 2021 BOC

*Dates have been reserved for the Beecher Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. – Noon unless noted. **Virtual meetings may be required due to current Covid-19 conditions.**



A Big thank you to:

Randy & Mary Kiehnau for creating new name boards for our Lake sign and keeping the others looking good!

Tim & Denise Nolan for keeping the grass mowed and tidy around our Lake sign!

If you are a new property owner on the Lakes and would like your name added to the sign, please contact Helen Curtis: (920) 680-6885

A few notes from your Shoreline Protection Committee:

- 2 signs were purchased and placed indicating that Beecher and Upper Lake are No Wake Lakes. One sign was placed near the dam and the second was installed at the public boat landing. (That sign has been stolen!) Two more signs have been ordered and will be installed. Some residents have placed No Wake signs on their personal property! Great reminders to all boaters to slow down. Our shoreline shows evidence of erosion because boats and pontoons have been operated at speeds too fast for our No Wake Lakes!
- We want to keep our membership lists current and updated. If you have moved or changed your contact information, please contact a member of the Board of Commissioners. If you have a new neighbor, please welcome them and invite them to our Annual Meeting – and give us their name and contact information!
- Anne Bartels is the Information and Education Specialist for Land and Water Conservation Division in Marinette County. You can find a listing of wide variety of programs and information that Anne provides on the Marinette County Government Land Information link.

From Anne's page –

"We offer the public a variety of environmental education programs that cover many topics such as water quality, wildlife, habitat, wetland ecology, and forestry. The collective name for all of our environmental education programs is Teaching Outdoor Awareness & Discovery, or T.O.A.D. Visit the T.O.A.D. page for complete program descriptions and a table showing how they meet state science & environmental education standards. T.O.A.D. programs are free to the public and most are developed for school children, but they can be adapted for different age groups and settings.

The Environmental Resource Center contains books, videos, magazines, and other media on a variety of topics including field guides and curriculum ideas for teachers.

The Northwoods Journal is a summertime publication (June-September) that is distributed throughout Marinette County to inform the public about natural resource & conservation issues, outdoor recreation opportunities, area events & programs, and other related topics."

If you have questions regarding any of the programs or events, please contact Anne.

Anne Bartels – Information and Education Specialist

Phone: (715) 732-7784

Nancy McKenney and Carol Wickman, Shoreline Protection Committee



Habitat/Fish Committee:

This past winter was a disappointment due to Mother Nature. The ice conditions were too risky for my son to safely use his equipment to move trees. We have some trees ready to go, but may need more green hardwoods. The plan is to try again this winter depending on conditions. Stakes are available for owners on the list to mark locations. Let's all hope for a winter of improved weather conditions. Contact Paul or Randy for information.

Submitted by Randy Kiehnau

Message from the Chair 2020

Greetings District Property Owners,

On behalf of the Beecher and Upper Lakes Public Inland Protection and Rehabilitation District Board of Commissioners (BOC), thank you for your support and guidance. As I complete my second year of my term as BOC Chairperson, I am reminded of the effort of past BOC and the many committee members. These good people volunteer their time on behalf all of property owners in the Lake District The Lake District has come far, since we first formed 21 years ago. I thank those who paved the way to today's Lake District and all the committee volunteers!

As Commissioners, we carry out the decisions you make at the Annual meeting. We are all elected to staggered 3 year terms. I serve as the Chairman of the Board and am in my 2nd year. Your newest Lake District commissioner is Amy Komis, who serves as Treasurer. Amy was appointed to replace Cindy Schmeisser, who resigned after Cindy and Fritz sold their home on the lake. Jim Johnson is the Secretary and has completed his 1st year (on top of several terms of service). The District has two additional commissioners who represent the Town of Beecher, Dave Paulsen and Marinette County representative Clancy Whiting. Dave replaces John Keeley, who died last fall. The Board of Commissioners presented a maple tree in memorial for his service to the Town of Beecher in June of this year.

The BOC meets quarterly (in addition to the Annual Meeting). Highlights include monitoring the lake draw-down process, discussion of dam modification to facilitate faster draw-down, spot chemical treatment of the lake and monitoring of control of Eurasian Milfoil.

As you are probably tired of the hearing "in these unprecedented times" and "with an abundance of caution", I'll try not to say these phrases. We hope you will attend the Outdoor Annual Meeting at Beecher Town Hall on Saturday, September 5th, 2020 from 9:00- Noon, to celebrate our accomplishments and to plan for the future. Please bring your own chairs, shade tents and umbrellas. We'll have a teleconference number for members to call during the meeting (see the Agenda). We recommend and sincerely request that everyone wear a mask when they are unable to remain "socially distant". After considering the guidelines and potential safety issues, the Board of Commissioners voted to eliminate the Picnic/Potluck/Buffer. Please feel free to bring your own food and beverages if you wish. The Raffle and Auction will look a little different. Please see the Beecher and Upper Lake Social Society page on Facebook or the Lake's website www.beecherupperlakes.com for details.

We have completed the "Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Project" and Open forum for questions and suggestions begins at 9:00 and the formal meeting begins at 10:00. Chuck Druckrey, CLM, Marinette County Water Resource Specialist, will share his findings regarding the current state of Milfoil control and plans for long term control.

The Aquatic Plant committee (Joe Siudzinski, chair), Habitat/Fish committee (Randy Kiehnau), Boundaries committee (Bob Magnuson, chair), Shoreland Protection committee (Carol Wickman, chair) and Picnic Adhoc committee (Judy Siudzinski and Penny Albers, co-chairs). Please contact us if you'd like to join any of the committees or serve on the BOC.

Beecher Township meetings are the 2nd Tuesdays of the month at 6:00 pm. Please let us know if you would like to attend those meetings and share the town's vision with the Lake.

We are also are looking for nominees for the "Good Friends are Devine Award". The nominee should have served in some capacity the interests of the Lake and provided exceptional service to the Lake.. The award is named after Jane Devine who was a long time resident and helped many newcomers to the Lake. Please contact us if you'd like to nominate someone.

Thank you to all our board and committee members, our state DNR and township partners for their continued dedication to our Lake District. A special thank you goes to Helen and Doyle Curtis for publication of the newsletter (Beach-Chair News) and maintenance of our district website.

We look forward to seeing you at the Outdoor Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 5th from 9:00 am-Noon.

Sincerely,

Lindi Magnuson

Lindi Magnuson, Chairperson, BOC
The Beecher and Upper Lakes Public Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District





Annual Meeting Agenda

Saturday, September 5, 2020 9:00 AM
Beecher Town Hall

AGENDA	
9:00-10:00	Open Forum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eurasian Milfoil Control Report: Chuck Druckrey, Marinette County Water Specialist • Public Comment: Issues, Questions, Concerns, Vision
10:00-1010	Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance
10:10-10:20	Approval of Agenda Review and approval of minutes from annual meeting 2019
10:20-10:50	Commissioner Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson Report • Secretary Report • Treasurers Report • Beecher Town Board Representative • Marinette County Supervisor Representative
10:50-11:20	Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit Committee • Aquatic Plant Committee • Boundaries Committee • Communication Committee • Fish Habitat Committee • Nominating Committee • Picnic Committee • Shoreline Protection Committee
11:20-11:25	Unfinished business:
11:25-11:50	New business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020-2021 Election of Board of Commissioner member • Discussion of study of 2nd valve in dam to assist in draining lake for Milfoil Control (costs and benefits) • 2020-2021 Budget
11:50-12:00	Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Friends are Devine Award
12:00	Adjournment

**Note: The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to take agenda items out of order and adjust time frames to facilitate District business.
Thank you for your participation.*

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What to expect this year from the picnic committee at the Annual Meeting:

We are not going to be serving food and the meeting and auction will be outdoors. Guests are welcome to bring their own food and beverages. There will be an in-person, live auction and raffle; and we may also be doing some pre-picnic fundraising on the Beecher & Upper Lake Social Society Facebook Page
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/101984543422>

As in prior years, we will accept donation items to be included in the bucket raffles. Those who have attended the picnic in the past are familiar with Jim Lauscher's woodworking donations, which have raised over \$6,000 over the past 4 years. This will be his last year and we are grateful for his support.

Submitted by Judy Siudzinski