• Protection & Rehabilitation District •
1 South Main Street, Suite 4,
Clintonville, WI 54929

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 27, 2026 | 6:00 PM
Clintonville Community Center
30 South Main Street
Clintonville, WI 54929

OPEN MEETING STATEMENT: This meeting and all meetings of this Board are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted in accordance with Wisconsin statutes so that citizens may be aware of the time and place of this meeting. This Board may conduct a roll call vote, a voice vote, or otherwise decide to approve, reject, or modify any item on this agenda.

1. **Call to Order**
   Chairman Pahl call the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and read the OPEN MEETING STATEMENT.
2. **Roll Call: Dawson** – Excused, **Pahl –** Present, **Radtke –** Present, **Rose –** Present**, Samz –** Present, Vollrath – Excused, **Walker –** Present.
3. **Review and Approve Agenda**
   a. Public Comment moved to Item 6
4. **Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting – April 22, 2026**
   Minutes not submitted for review at the meeting.
5. **Chair's Report:** Pahl – Report attached (Appendix A)
   a. Greg Rose appointed as Treasurer. Rose accepted the position.
6. **Public Comment:**
   a. Andersen – concern expressed regarding the carp barrels that have not been picked up in a timely manner. Will have drone footage of the lake in the area around her property due to the damage to the lake from the recent floods.
   b. Lederer – acknowledgment of the good work that the Pigeon Lake District is doing.
7. **Treasurer's Report:** Financial statement, Bills and Check Register provided and reviewed. Radtke/Samz M/S a motion to accept the reports as presented.
   a. REPORT
   Mar MM Interest $912.16.
   Larrabee Check deposited $2295.84
   Walker/Samz M/S treasurer's report approved. Carried.
8. **Committee Reports:**
   a. County—Vollrath – newly appointed as Waupaca Co Rep. no report.
   b. City—Rose– newly appointed as Clintonville City Rep. No report.
   c. Finance – no report.
   d. Communication, Education and Community Engagement – Walker
      i. PLPRD has been asked to support Cop 'n' Bobbers by supplying boats and drivers
   e. Lake Management – Samz
      i. FDPA: Motion to purchase $50 gift card for Dave and Jeannie Schley for managing watercraft storage, transport, cleaning and installation into Kiosk. Roll call vote: Pahl – Yes, Radtke – Yes, Rose – Yes, Samz – Yes, Walker – Yes. Carried

ii. FDPA: Motion to subsidize purchase of metal signs for “No Duck Hunting/No Wake Zones” up to $180. Carried.

iii. FDPA: Request for PLPRD’s participation in mitigation of navigational issues in the upper reaches of Pigeon Lake from recent flood. Some information on available grant funding available. Board agreed to investigate further on funding options. A proposal needs to be developed on actions and methods.

iv. Last Lake Mgt Committee meeting was April 21. Discussion on arrangements for picking up barrels and whether it would be a paid task. Pahl will look into the details.

v. Operations/Fishery - Radtke.
   1. Weed truck needs a new radiator. It has been left at Steinke’s Auto for repair.
   2. Dock at Matthew’s Bay (Bayside Park) needs to be repaired. Schmidt has been contacted regarding repair
   3. Brady Lake pump was flooded and seized up. Needs to be repaired.

9. **News and announcements: no action to be taken**
10. **Adjournment:** Walker moved that meeting be adjourned at 7:15 pm. Seconded, Rose. Carried

Upcoming Meetings: Apr 22, May 27, Jun 24, Jul 22, Aug 26(Annual Meeting), Aug 26,

These minutes will be posted to the website prior to approval from the board and are considered to be in draft form until approved at the next scheduled meeting.

Appendix A – Chairman’s Report:

Chair’s Report, May 27, 2026

Re: Public Comment

We have changed how we conduct “Public Comment,” based on best practices learned at the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention. Any individual who wishes to address the Board may do so in a comment not more than 3 minutes. A timer will be used, and at three minutes you will be asked to stop. We ask that you keep your comment to a comment—that is, something you want to bring to the Board’s attention. We will acknowledge your comment with thanks, but we will not answer questions or make any substantive. If an issue you raise comes up on the Agenda, your comment will surely be considered. If you have an issue you want to appear on the Agenda for next month, please contact our Special Projects Manager (Trish Dawson), our Secretary (at present, also Trish), or me. We think this will speed up our meetings, keep the Board focused on the presented agenda and possible action items, and insure equal opportunity for all members of the public to participate, but not to dominate, our deliberations. Again—this follows best practices for Lake Districts as suggested by both legal counsel and as learned at the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention.

I’m really happy to be back home: in the last two months, I have spoken in Atlanta (at the Carter Center), in NYC, Philadelphia, Cleveland, and in New Delhi, India, and Jakarta, Indonesia. After a few days home, I then went on a three-week book tour in France, speaking in 10 different cities—I won’t bore you with the list! Finally, after a few days home, I embarked on a research trip to California—to the Sequoia National Forest to see the big redwoods, to Inyo National Forest, where we visited some of the oldest living creatures on the planet—Bristlecone Pines, or “Methuselah Trees,” as they are called—some up to between 5 and 8 thousand years old. Finally, last weekend I was in Gettysburg for our Commencement—and I’m beat! I go nowhere for the entire month of June—and that makes me very happy.

We've had a lot of turn-over on our Board; I'm committed to keeping the good working spirit that we've developed over the past few years, and even strengthening it. We plan to meet with both Greg Rose and Laurie Vollrath to give them copies of Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statues—which operate as our By-Laws, to discuss the goals of our current Lake Management Plan, and the implementation steps we're considering to realize those goals, and to listen to Laurie and Greg's interests and concerns so as to know how best they can work with the existing team. I'm personally grateful to each person on the Board, and to each individual serving on our Committees. Thank you.

The one item of business listed under my report is to Appoint a Treasurer. I have it in my power (such as it is) to simply name someone—but I'm really interested in hearing from you if you are willing to serve in this role. It is not an onerous job—it means picking up the monthly reports from Becky at Tri-State, serving on (and perhaps chairing) the Finance Committee of the Board, helping with the Audit that we do at the end of each fiscal year, and generally keeping a close eye upon our investments, checking account balance, income (both from the tax levy and fund-raising), and bills. So—I'll invite a nomination (could be a self-nomination, ideally) for the office of Treasurer? …

Our busy season is coming up, and we have a lot of other potential business before us, so I'll wrap this up. Know also how grateful I am to Trish for the many hats she wears on behalf of the Pigeon Lake District and our collective work. I'm eager for her to return from her trip to Australia, and I look forward to continuing to work with each of you to protect and improve our beautiful little lake.