

Lake Marinuka Protection & Rehabilitation District
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

Attendees: Dan Truax, Terry Wagner, Jim Spencer, Tom Goller, Bruce Reedy (Financing Committee)
Absent: Paul Halderson, Sheryl Reedy (Website/Fundraising Committee)

Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Dan Truax. Open Meeting Laws have been met per Dan Truax by posting the meeting notice to our email chain, City Hall, Facebook, Public Library and the Pharmacy

1. **August Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve by Jim S, 2nd by Tom G, motion carried
2. **Davy Engineering Update:**
 - a. **Preliminary Report Status** is 90% complete by Mark Davy. Its finalization is dependent on receiving clear wetland mitigation guidance and completing cost estimating. It is estimated to be ready for review within two to four weeks once these clarifications are obtained. Mark recommended that we engage a financial advisor (Sean at Ehlers), a bond counsel (Quarles & Brady) and pass a Reimbursement Resolution to formally declare the board's intent to borrow funds for the project. This is a necessary step for public financing and can be prepared for the annual meeting.
 - b. **Archaeological Literature Review** is still in progress and not yet completed, a follow-up email was sent with no response yet. A past investigation from 1979 by James Gallagher was noted as a potentially relevant document.
 - c. **Sediment Pond Meeting** with DNR was described as "mixed". While there was no opposition to the proposed dredging limits or the southern sedimentation basin location, the DNR provided no clear answer regarding potential wetland impacts or mitigation requirements. However, a fisheries expert on the call was eager for the project to proceed, noting the lake's poor vegetation and habitat.
3. **Website Update (www.lakemarinuka.org):**

The board discussed the ongoing search for historical documents, particularly plans from before August 1, 1991, which could prove the "spoil site" is a man-made structure and not a regulated wetland. Updates for the district's new website are needed, including:

 - ***Revising** the project timeline to reflect a 2026 dredging start.
 - ***Clarifying** login details for the official email address.
 - ***Implementing** a QR code for donations.
 - ***Scheduling** a training session for board members to learn how to update the site.
4. **Annual Meeting:** Discussion for scheduling a regular meeting on October 28th and the annual meeting to be scheduled for the Tuesday of the week before Thanksgiving to encourage attendance. An ad will be placed in the local paper to announce it. A Motion to schedule regular meeting on October 28th and the Annual Meeting on November 18 was made by Dan Truax, 2nd by Jim Spenser, motion carried.
5. **Apple Affair Participation Discussion:** The district will not have a booth this year. Instead we will represent the Lake District by participating in the Chamber of Commerce Chili Cook-off, where informational handouts about our dredging project will be provided and district board members will engage with the public

Respectfully Submitted by Terry Wagner, Secretary

