BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
September 8, 2026

The regular meeting of the Lake Elbo Board was held on September 8, 2026, in the Clubhouse. The meeting was called to order by President, Jeff Pishny.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeff Pishny - President
Kyle Gordon – Vice President
Brent McKeeman - Treasurer
Lori Moses - Secretary
RJ Whitlock
Joel Force

Not in attendance

Karen Van Vleet
Jim Lund

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jennifer Pishny
Aaron and Traci Lewis
Todd Nicholson
Amanda McKeeman
Rob and Chandra Gordon
Haley Gordon
Emily Kinser
Dave Spunaugle
Kim Goracke
Galen Pelton
Alan and Gianetta Skidmore
Harold Brooks
Doug VonFeldt
Rita Brychta
Ashley Lour
Kelly Gorton
Chad and Anna Hoepner
Robert Regan
Zach Bottenberg

Minutes of the August 11, 2026, meeting, taken by Jim Lund, were read by Lori Moses. Brent made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Kyle seconded. Motion carried 5/0

Brent read the Treasurer's Report. Lori made a motion to file the report for audit.

Joel expressed concern about the lake's financial status. Discussion occurred. Jeff stated this is something that we will follow up on.

Welcome Guests:

N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

October 3rd Fall Workday:

It was reported that a couple things have already been completed. 1) The lake has been stocked with new fish; 2) The entrance sign has been stained and painted. It was the original agreement that we would remove the remains of the tree on the Bayer property during workday, however, it is way too big and too much for us to handle. Kelly Briggs visited with Jeff and they will assist in the removal of the remainder of the tree on workday. Brent suggested that this take place at a different time. Someone will work this out with Kelly.

Zach Bottenberg would like some volunteers to assist in spreading dirt and seed at certain areas around the clubhouse/lake elbo property. He also mentioned that the dam is getting almost too steep to mow so would like to possibly build some type of a terrace to give the mower tires a place for some traction.

Jennifer Pishny asked to have mulch purchased for the Bayer memorial.

Joel reported that the parts for the playground equipment have been delivered. This will need to be completed.

Brent asked if there were any objections to making the lateral clean outs, and an old spigot, flush to the ground for easier mowing, etc. There were no objections but it was stated to somehow mark these areas so that they can be found at any time in the future.

Carol Thornburrow had previously asked some members/board members about removal of limbs in the north channel. This will be assessed.

Rita Brychta will order and pick up the chicken.

Lake Water Condition – North Channel:

Jeff visited with Kelly Briggs and there have been some changes to the original plans for construction of the limestone quarry to the north of Lake Elbo. The rock crushing facility will be moved to the East. The only thing that could possibly make a difference would be the audibles during the day. The board felt that this was nothing to be too concerned about. This change will not affect the placement of the pond. They plan, at this time, to operate during the day, Monday through Friday, and not past 4 PM.

Jeff also had a conversation with Dave Nelson in reference to things that have been, and are going to, take place. Dave felt that he was never made aware of a negative response in regards to run off. He stated that his property management has not changed in the last 20 years. Jeff asked him about the possibility of not fertilizing. His response was "I will not fertilize if Lake Elbo pays me $25,000 a year". At the time that a letter/memorandum of understanding (MOU) for the retention pond is composed, he stated to include that we can put whatever we want in it as far as vegetation. He agreed to fence around it so cattle cannot enter the pond and he will not pump water out for his use.

Brent mentioned, and other board members agreed, that we are not going to take him up on his offer. Everything will be documented in the letter/MOU. Once we have bullet points to be included in said letter/MOU, Lori will reach out to the Lake Elbo attorney for him to compile it.

Update of Dredge Liquidation:

Brent met Dave Dreiling in which Kelly was also present. He is having a silt pond constructed so we are still on track to finalize the sale of the dredge in October.

Doug VonFeldt Proposal:

Doug if wanting to form a financial oversight committee for Lake Elbo. This would include, but not limited to, reviewing past expenses and possibly figure out some type of spending budget. This committee would report directly to the board.

Jeff suggested to not do this in the shadows and become a board member. Jeff also stated that he does not feel that the board should appointment the committee, it should be elected by the membership. Doug feels that the board has the authority to appoint members for this committee.

Brent kindly asked if this can be tabled until the next Treasurer is assigned to the Board of Directors. Between now and that time, Brent asked to meet with Doug to go over the books for input.

NEW BUSINESS:

Halloween Party:

We need someone to run the event. Amanda volunteered to take this over. Please visit with her if you are welcome to volunteer. She would like to hold this on October 24th. Brent will do the hayrack ride. Amanda mentioned of possibly having a chili cookoff and also setting up a Smore's bar. She stated that no budget is needed from the board. She will update with a timeline and list of events.

Lake Elbo Fall Events:

Holiday Breakfast – December 12th – 10:00 to 11:00 (Details to follow)

Turkey Shoot – November 20th @ 7 PM

Rental House Repairs:

Brent reported that the outdoor spigot at the caretaker's house is leaking with no apparent leaks under the house. Brent made a motion to have a plumber install a new spigot. Kyle seconded. Motion carried 5/0

Neighborhood Concerns:

Jeff is looking for recommendations on the best way to notify membership of things that are happening around the lake. (examples: riding off road; do not feed stray cats; etc.). It was decided that the Lake Elbo Newsletter and Facebook are best.

Jeff Pishny asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lori made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM. Brent seconded. Motion carried 6/0

The next board meeting will be held October 13, 2026.