

# Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2023

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The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held at the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center, District Office, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN at 7:00 p.m.

Those present were Managers: Ellis Peterson, Jeff Moritz, Sam Blattenbauer, Mike Foley and Lyle Hansen; Liz Larson, Administrator; and Attorney Sam Rufer, Pemberton Law PLLP. Absent: Cy Abel, Inspector.

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Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Next Meeting:** The next regularly scheduled meeting has been scheduled for September 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center.

Hearing:

1. Summary of Upper Cormorant Assessment
2. Approximate Cost Historically from 2009-2022 was overall \$380,000 or average of \$34,000/year
3. Question about bogs on part of lake. Discussion of bog removal
  - a. DNR Permit
  - b. Lake Association has standing permit
4. Discussion of lake survey prior to application of treatment for curly leaf pondweed.
5. Discussion of eco-harvesting tool, Eco-Harvester. Cost is approximately \$130,000
6. Middle Cormorant had small treatment for Curly Leaf Pondweed +/- 20 Acres.
7. Levy is indicated for one per property owner.
8. Ellis Peterson asked for a show of hands from the audience in favor of the assessment and majority raised their hands in support.

Hearing Closed

Ellis read the resolution: It is hereby resolved, that Cormorant Lakes Watershed District Board hereby establishes a levy of \$250.00 per property owner on Upper Cormorant Lake

for weed and bog control. Said levy shall be for the year 2024 and continuing each year thereafter for a total of three years.

Motion to adopt the resolution by Jeff Moritz. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sam Blattenbauer. All in favor.

Motion to Adjourn by Sam Blattenbauer 2<sup>nd</sup> Lyle Hansen at 6:45 PM.

Meeting Minutes Submitted respectfully by Sam Blattenbauer, Secretary; prepared by Liz Larson, CLWD Administrator.