

CIRCLE LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 12, 2026 at 6:30 pm

Forest Town Hall

Board members present: Dean Sunderlin, Denise Klokow, Cheryl Bahnsen, Carl Bahnsen, Bill Houston, Jeff Jirik, Dawn Cherwinka, and Ryan Nugent

	Sept 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Feb 2026	Mar 2026	Apr 2026	May 2026	Jun 2026	Jul 2026	Annu al 2026
Bahnsen, Cheryl	x	x	x	x		x	x					
Bahnsen, Carl	x	x	x	x		x	x					
Houston, William		x	x	x	x	x	x					
Jirik, Jeff	x	x	x	x	x		x					
Klokow, Denise	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					
Sunderlin, Dean	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					
Johnson, Stefanie	x	x	x	x	x	x						
Nugent, Ryan	x		x	x	x	x	x					
Dawn Cherwinka							x					

Call to Order

Dean called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

Attendance

Dean conducted roll call. Dean, Denise, Ryan, Dawn, Carl, Cheryl, Jeff, and Bill were present.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was provided ahead of the meeting. Cheryl motioned to approve the agenda. Bill 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The February meeting minutes were provided ahead of this meeting. Carl motioned to approve the minutes. Cheryl 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Cheryl walked through the treasurer's report, which was provided ahead of the meeting.

Approval to pay Bills

No Bills to pay this month.

Committee Reports

Administration

We welcomed Dawn to the board! We are thrilled to have her. 😊

We will ask the LID membership to participate in naming the boat if interested.

Pontoon has been added to our insurance policy. It will be about \$19 a year. Coverage is \$2000 for the boat and \$2500 for the motor. The boat can only be used for CLID business.

Dean attended a meeting with Rice County and Cedar Lake, who is working with Water Quality 3D. Dean will share the presentation with anyone interested.

Finance

We were awarded a \$15,000 grant from DNR for AIS (written notification; we are waiting for official notice).

Lake Management/Projects

Aeration

Jeff shared the plans for measurements we plan to take this year, as well as plans for deployment of the 2 additional aerators.

Jeff got a quote from ISG for \$18,000 for a bathymetry study of Circle Lake. This study would cover the entire lake at \$11,000 less than a study that only covered 50 acres around each aerator.

Jeff motioned we authorize Dean to sign this agreement to have ISG perform the bathymetry study for \$18,000. Cheryl 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Weeds

Carl is going to meet with a company that can treat the whole lake (which will be needed, and the DNR will allow, once the water clarity is improved and the weeds explode).

Publications/Communications

Bill provided a newsletter ahead of the meeting. Dean will share with the members.

Dean added a "Key Documents" section to the website.

Unfinished Business

Dean updated the board on DNR's proposed regulations on handling carp.

Comments due by March 31 on updates to how fisheries manages lakes.

Denise continues to organize CLID files to prepare them for uploading to the cloud.

Cheryl's reports and bank statements from 2019 are in Google Drive.

New Business

Comments to the DNR regarding fish management for Circle Lake.

Announcements

The DNR now owns the island.

Adjournment

Bill motioned to adjourn. Cheryl 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM