

CIRCLE LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 6:30 pm
Forest Town Hall

Board members present: Dean Sunderlin, Denise Klokov, Stefanie Johnson, Jeff Jirik, Bill Houston, Cheryl Bahnsen, Ryan Nugent, and Carl Bahnsen

	Sept 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Dec 2025	Jan 2026	Feb 2026	Mar 2026	Apr 2026	May 2026	Jun 2026	Jul 2026	Annual
Bahnsen, Carl	x	x	x	x								
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Houston, Cheryl		x	x	x								
Jirik, Jeff	x	x	x	x								
Klokov, Denise	x	x	x	x								
Sunderlin, Stefanie	x	x	x	x								
Johnson, Ryan	x		x	x								
Nugent, Ryan	x		x	x								

Call to Order

Dean called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Attendance

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

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was provided ahead of the meeting. Dean would like to add discussion of Jeff's recommendation for the lake sampling equipment for 2026. Jeff motioned to approve the agenda with the addition. Cheryl 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The November meeting minutes were provided ahead of this meeting. With the correction of changing September to October in the Approval of Meeting Minutes section, Bill motioned to approve the minutes. Carl 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Cheryl walked through the treasurer's report.

Approval to pay Bills

Dean motioned to reimburse Carl \$642.27 for winter aeration signage. Bill 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Projects

Administration

The Tuesday following when our annual meeting is scheduled is a primary day, therefore the township hall will not be available on August 11, 2026. We will pick a new date in our regular January meeting.

Dean requested approval from the county to increase our board members to 9. The county is working through what needs to happen to make this update. There will need to be a public hearing. Date is TDB.

Finance

Application to the DNR for AIS management: There are two programs this year. One for curly leaf pondweed and one for Eurasian milfoil. Carl has submitted the application for both of those. We will hear back on these in January.

Publications/Communications

Annual reports are posted on the website.

Dean's annual report to the county made the front page of the Faribault Daily News. Dean is famous. 😊

Bill continues to work on our next newsletter.

Weeds

Carl is requesting help assembling the thin ice signs. Dean will send an email to people in the district.

Jeff's recommendation for lake sampling equipment for 2026

Next year we will have 3 aerators deployed and we will need equipment to monitor DO (Dissolved Oxygen) in more places and at more depths on the lake.

Jeff motioned to allow expenditures of up to \$9500 for a DO meter probe and ancillary supplies. Dean 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.

Summary Presentation on the Aeration Project

Dean provided an overview of the aerator/diffuser that was installed this year and the DO data that was collected in various locations. He also shared our plans for more aeration in 2026 given the promising results seen in 2025. Carl also answered questions on weeds and herbicide from members.

Unfinished Business

We are digitizing all of our records to upload them to the cloud.

New Business

Dean requested we add checking for DNR Grants for Weeds to the month of November in the CLID SOP calendar. Denise will add and provide an updated SOP to the board members.

Announcements

No announcements.

Adjournment

Jeff motioned to adjourn. Bill 2nd. Approved unanimously. Motion carries.
Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM

