

By-Laws of the Pleasant Lake Management District

1.0 PURPOSE: The purpose of the Pleasant Lake Management District is to protect and improve the water quality of Pleasant Lake through programs that promote safety, cleanliness and the environmental health of the lake in Marquette and Waushara Counties, Wisconsin. The Pleasant Lake Management District was created under Subchapter VI of the Wisconsin State Statutes, Chapter 33, Public Inland Waters.

2.0 DEFINITIONS: See State Statute section 33.01 – In addition, see items listed below.

2.1 State Statute – Wisconsin State Statutes, Chapter 33, Public Inland Waters, except where another chapter is indicated. This chapter of the State Statutes can be found at <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/Stat0033.pdf>.

2.2 District Election Judge – A person (s) appointed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners to; record legitimate ballots cast and verify legitimate voters at a voting event at an Annual or Special Lake District meeting.

2.3 Voting Event – Any Board of Commissioner election, or referendum vote, or combination of the two that would take place at a properly scheduled Annual or Special Lake District meeting.

2.4 District Voting Process – All eligible district voters will have the opportunity to vote in district elections and referendums. The names of board candidates plus a brief statement from each candidate will be sent by mail to all district members. All referendum issues will also be detailed on the ballot. Explanatory literature may be enclosed. All votes will be cast during the meeting. All elections and referendums will be decided on a simple majority (unless indicated otherwise by State Law) of votes cast. The district Board of Commissioners will maintain a register of eligible district voters based on the names listed in the tax roles of Waushara and Marquette Counties. This register will be used by The Election Judge to verify the legitimacy of voter eligibility at voting events. In the case of a property owner or resident elector who's name is not on the tax role, it is the responsibility of that person to provide proof of ownership or residency to the election judge or any board member no less than 15 days before the voting event.

3.0 DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: See State Statute section 33.28.

4.0 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; OFFICERS; POWERS AND DUTIES. See State Statute section 33.29. In addition:

4.1 Chairperson Term Limits - A chairperson will hold that office for no more than 6 successive years. After the term of at least one other chairperson an individual may serve additional terms as chairperson.

4.2 Past Chairperson - At each change of chairperson, the previous chairperson shall serve one year as Past-Chairperson. The purpose of this role is to advise the new chairperson when appropriate. The Past-Chairperson would be asked to make every effort to attend Board of Commissioner meetings. If the Past-Chairperson were no longer an elected commissioner, he/she would not be able to vote in any commissioner proceedings.

4.3 Non-Budgeted Spending - Authority to spend district funds on non-budgeted items will be limited to \$250.00 per item. Any non-budgeted issue requiring additional funds over and

above \$250.00 must be approved by the district membership at the Annual or Special meeting by majority vote using the District Voting Process. At year-end, any unspent operating funds may be allocated to the appropriate reserve account for future use.

5.0 ANNUAL MEETING OF DISTRICT: See State Statute section 33.30.

6.0 SPECIAL MEETINGS OF DISTRICT: See State Statute section 33.305.

7.0 DISTRICT VOTING PROCEDURES:

7.1 District Voting Process – See Paragraph 2.4 District Voting Process
section 33.01 and Chapter 6, The Electors, section 6.02.

7.2.1 Voter List –Voting eligibility for property owners is based on the EXACT NAME(S) of the owner(s) of real property as listed on the tax roll information from each county as of the 3rd Monday in December of the previous year. The voter list used for ballot purposes reflect the following policy:

- a. If one name is recorded for the parcel, that property has ONE VOTE;
- b. If two or more names are recorded for the parcel, that property has TWO VOTES, each person is limited to ONE VOTE; and
- c. If the parcel is recorded as a trust or an LLC TWO VOTES are allowed, each person having ONE vote.

7.3 Voting Status for Agenda Items – To submit an item for a district wide vote, it must meet at least one of the following criteria to be put on a referendum ballot.

1. The item must be approved by a majority of the District Board of Commissioners.
2. It may be submitted in writing, to any board member, by any voting district resident along with the signatures of at least 20 (total) voting district members. Any item requiring a district membership vote must be published and placed on the ballot. Voting Procedures are detailed in paragraph 2.4 of this document.

7.4 Absentee ballots or Proxies -- No absentee ballots or proxies are permitted at the annual meeting or special meeting, as provided in sections 33.30 (2)(b) and 33.305 (4).

8.0 DISTRICT BOUNDARIES – See State Statute section 33.33 Merger, attachment, detachment.

9.0 LAKE DISTRICT LEVY – See State Statute section 33.30 - If a new budget is not approved at an Annual Meeting the previous year's budget will prevail for the coming year.

9.1 Borrowing -- See State Statute section 33.31, Power to finance.

10.0 AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS – Any proposed amendments or changes to these By-Laws must comply with Paragraph 7.3 of this document.

11.0 DISSOLUTION – See State Statute section 33.35.

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