

Lake Ripley Management District Budget Hearing August 20, 2022 9 a.m. at Oakland Town Hall

## Annual Meeting Immediately following budget hearing Oakland Town Hall

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes
- III. Nomination of Board candidates, Statements of candidates, and Election two open positions (Names on Ballot: Debbie Kutz, Doug Maurer)
- IV. Chairman's report
- V. Treasurer's report
- VI. Approval of the budget and tax levy
- VII. Approval of changes to the District's Bylaws
- VIII. Discussion and possible action on other business that can be legally considered by the District
- IX. Tabulation of vote and election of board members
- X. Adjournment

Meeting of the Board of Directors Immediately following Annual Meeting Oakland Town Hall

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Election of Board Officers
- III. Adjournment

Note: Public Comment will be taken at discretion of District Chair

## 2022 Proposed Bylaw Changes

Two proposed Bylaw changes are on the agenda for Lake Ripley Management District resident electors to vote on at the annual meeting.

The first proposed change is to make the "Nomination of Commissioners" language more clear. The change would see the candidates filling out a Candidate Interest Form and submitting it to the Lake Manager 45 days prior to the annual meeting.

Section 3 – NOMINATION OF COMMISSIONERS: Any eligible interested candidates for vacancies on the Board shall submit a completed Candidate Interest Form to the office of the Lake Manager by email, regular mail, or hand-delivery no later than 45 days prior to the annual meeting. The form shall be available on the District's website and include the candidate's contact information, qualifications, a brief statement of interest and a signed declaration indicating a willingness to serve a three-year term on the Board. The names of all interested candidates who timely submit a completed Candidate Interest Form shall appear on the written and published notices of the annual meeting and the ballot. Nominations will also be accepted from those electors in attendance at the annual meeting. [8-20-22] The board shall nominate candidates to fill all vacancies on the Board. If none of the remaining elected commissioners, whose term does not expire, are resident electors, then the candidates shall be resident electors. [Sec. 33.28(2)] The suggested number of candidates nominated by the board is the number of vacancies plus one. Any three electors may nominate additional candidates by submitting written nominated candidates shall appear on the written and published notices of the annual meeting. Ballots printed for the election shall appear on the written and published notices of the annual meeting.

The second change aims to clarify how the Board elects their commissioners. We suggest striking the original annual meeting language and adding language that explains how the Board currently elects commissioners.

<u>Section 5 – ELECTING COMMISSIONERS:</u> At the first annual meeting, the electors shall elect three commissioners to the Board. The candidates receiving the greatest umber of votes shall be elected to a three year term. The candidate receiving the second greatest number of votes shall be elected to a two-year term. The candidate receiving the third greatest number of votes shall be elected to a one-year term. However, if none of the top three candidates is a resident elector, the resident elector with the most votes among the resident elector candidates shall be elected to a one-year term.

At subsequent annual meetings, the electors shall elect one commissioner to fill <u>each</u> [8-20-22] the expiring term on the board. [Sec. 33.30(3)(a)] When a commissioner's term of office has expired, a successor shall be elected to a three-year term. [Sec 33.28(2)(c)] <u>In any year in which more than one</u> vacancy exists, the candidates receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected. However, if none of the commissioners whose terms do not expire is a resident elector, then the resident elector receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected, the resident elector are willing to be elected, the residency requirement shall be waived until the end of the term. [8-20-22] All elections for the office of commissioner shall be conducted by secret, written ballot. Commissioners shall assume their office immediately following the annual meeting at which they are elected.

## LAKE RIPLEY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

	2021 ACTUAL	2022 BUDGET	<u>2022 JAN-</u> JUNE ACTUAL	2022 JAN-DEC ESTIMATED	2023 BUDGET
Revenues:					
Real Estate Tax Levy	152,665	159,588	79,794	159,588	175,117
Interest Income	258	324	131	260	260
Carryover	11,794	16,970		16,098	13,564
Total Revenues	164,717	176,882	79,925	175,946	188,941
Operations:					
Landowner Cost Sharing	-	12,500	721	5,800	15,000
Weed Harvesting	12,527	13,400	1,742	11,100	13,800
Preserve Restoration/Management	16,956	10,000	1,482	10,000	15,000
Staff Payroll/Fringes/Taxes	69,725	81,482	32,470	80,032	83,941
Insurance	7,474	8,000	6,996	7,700	8,000
Legal & Accounting	1,965	3,500	630	3,500	3,500
Dues & Conferences	1,007	2,500	1,198	1,500	2,000
Office & Community Outreach	8,502	11,800	6,173	10,300	9,750
Commissioner Stipends	2,600	5,400	1,400	4,400	5,400
Rent	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
Capital Reserve,Land/Equip Acquistion	9,935	22,500	11,868	22,500	25,000
Miscellaneous & General Lake Mgmt.	8,637	3,500	165	3,500	5,500
Special Programs	199	500	100	250	250
Total Disbursements	141,327	176,882	63,103	162,382	188,941
Balance	23,390			13,564	

	LAKE RIPLEY PROTECTION FUND	
Restricted Fund:		
Estimated Balance (12/31/21)	\$109,379	
Additional 2021 Activity Increase Final Balance 12/31/21	125 109,504	Anyone wishing to see a detailed budget may come to the District office at the Oakland Town Hall, N4450 Cty Hwy A, Cambridge, during normal business hours. Phone ahead to make sure office is open
2022 Estimated Activity Interest Earned	130	at 608-423-4537.
Estimated Balance 12/31/22	\$109,634	