

**ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP
BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022
4:00 PM**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor David Meister at 4:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance: Bob Blackmore, Allen Taylor, Ed Bradford, Shelli Johnson, and Meister. Also in attendance is Bre Grabill, Environmental Specialist, PLM Lake and Land Management Corp.

AMEND AGENDA: Parks & Rec Hold Harmless Clause

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PLM MANAGER'S REPORT: Grabill had a presentation for the 2021 Portage Lake Lake Management Plan that was prepared for Onekama Township and the Invasive Species Committee that she reviewed with the Board Members and the Public in attendance. She provided a power point presentation and explained the current conditions in the lake. Those conditions included the water quality monitoring and how it is performed and testing locations. The pH, total alkalinity, Conductivity and total dissolved solids were gone over, Total Phosphorus and tributaries, springs, and deep hole basins were discussed to answer some of the questions that were brought forth. Question was raised on areas of sandy bottom so aquatic plants and vegetation management of an aging lake was explained and discussed. Grabill had management recommendations to the Board for 2022, along with a product explanation guide for review. She presented treatment maps in comparison **from 161 acres in 2009 compared to 6.5 acres in 2021 for Eurasian watermilfoil**. If anyone would like to read the report, it is available at the Township Office for viewing.

FIREWORKS: Motion by Blackmore, Second by Johnson to approve the Fire Works Permit for Onekama Days. M/C

PUBLIC COMMENT: Board members would like to hold a meeting each year to review this report and go over it with the public to get questions and input. Suggestion from the public was made to continue the monitoring throughout the winter. Grabill stated that the thickness of the ice impacts the lack of growth of the lake bottom plants, and she would also like to continue that monitoring.

Meeting adjourned 6:14 p.m.

Shelli Johnson, Clerk