

Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District
Security Commission Meeting
February 13th, 2024

1. **Members Present:** Jim Maulden, Cathie Brown, Brian Clancy, Steve Burke, Harry Sherman, Matt Petersen, and Jo Ann Hamilton
2. **Members Absent:** None
3. **Also, Present:**
 - a. **Staff:** Brittany Bay
 - b. 4 freeholders in attendance (Mark Rasdall, Greg Harper, Brenda Maulden, & Carrie Vavul)
4. **Welcome:** Mr. Maulden called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM
5. **Agenda Modifications:**
 - a. Mr. Maulden requested to move up 7.a Commission Officers for 2024 (Chair, Vice Chair, & Secretary) up to line-item number 4 and move the rest of the business to follow. Mr. Sherman requested to add 6.c top 10 safety violations.
6. **Commission Officers for 2024**

MOTION: Mr. Maulden motioned to approve Brian Clancy as the Chairman and Jim Maulden as the Vice Chair to the security commission, seconded by Mr. Burke. Motion passed.

NOTED: Mr. Clancy then began to lead the meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Clancy motioned to approve Harry Sherman as the Secretary of the security commission, seconded by Mr. Maulden. Motion passed.
7. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. There was some discussion about 8.a. in January 2024 minutes. Mr. Petersen noted that even though the security commission unanimously voted and agreed that a wake course is a bad idea, the security commission was asked by the Board to come up with a definition of the wake course. Mr. Clancy asked if the commission motion at the last meeting where the commission unanimously agreed that a designated course was unsafe was not sufficient. Mr. Petersen noted that the Board didn't ask them that, the Board asked them to define a course. Mr. Clancy noted the current discussion was about the minutes and asked if there were any concerns with what was in the minutes. Mr. Clancy noted he did not see any inaccuracies in what was provided for section 8.a. but suggested adding the wake course under old business as line item 6.d. Mr. Petersen then suggested adding at the end of the course definition that the commission comes up with to add that the commission

doesn't agree with having the course. Mr. Burke questioned why the commission had to come up with a course they feel is unsafe. Mr. Maulden noted that the Board basically already came up with a course. Mr. Sherman responded that because the Board requested security define the course. Mr. Clancy then asked the commission if there were any errors or something nonfactual with the minutes that needed modified.

MOTION: Mrs. Brown motioned to approve the January 9th, 2024, Security Commission Minutes, as submitted, seconded by Mr. Clancy. Motion passed.

8. Freeholder Concerns:

- a. Mark Rasdall noted that as the security board this commission was tasked with plotting out a path for a wake course and putting it on a map. Mr. Rasdall then noted that at the last two meetings the security commission agreed that this course is not safe. Mr. Rasdall then noted that the commission could come to the Board and give them the course that they requested but tell the Board unanimously the commission does not think this course is safe. There was discussion amongst the commission about telling the Board that if you want a course this is the best option the commission could come up with, but the security commission doesn't feel having a course is safe. Mr. Burke mentioned waiting to see if the new Board would come up with a different mandate regarding the course than the previous Board did. Mr. Maulden noted that he had no problem coming up with something and submitting that to the Board and letting the Board decide; that way the commission did what they were asked to do.

Brief discussion on when the commission should discuss at-large commission member and new applicant.

9. Old Business:

a. Boat Safety Course

1. Mr. Clancy discussed attempting to get in touch with a DNR lieutenant. Mr. Clancy noted that he took the DNR course and there were some questions that didn't necessarily pertain to CSCD, but he had come up with a list of questions from the DNR course that would be beneficial to include in the CSCD boat safety course. It was noted that CSCD follows Indiana Title 14 Boating Laws.
2. Mr. Sherman discussed the top 10 CSCD rule violations. Mr. Clancy noted that it would be beneficial to include questions for the course from the DNR course, CSCD rules, and the top 10 CSCD rule violations.
3. Mrs. Bay mentioned that the ecology commission discussed doing a joint course with the security commission course to include 10 zebra mussel questions; this would be a refresher to freeholders and would be beneficial to freeholders so that they would only have to take one course to get their decals renewed not two. Mr. Maulden noted that the ecology commission discussed new owners or freeholders who have not taken the original zebra mussel course would have to still take the original course. There was discussion about offering a paper version of the course not just a digital one. There was discussion on the time frame for putting together a course in time for Board approval at their next meeting.

4. Mr. Clancy briefly went over some of the questions on the list he came up with for the safety course. Mr. Maulden suggested instead of reading the list of questions the commission could review the list via email.

NOTE: The list was emailed to the commission for review and is Exhibit A attachment included in the minutes.

5. Mr. Maulden asked if with this course the freeholders would have to answer all questions correctly to receive boat decals. Mrs. Bay noted that with the zebra mussel course freeholders had to receive a 100% to obtain their boat decals.
6. There was discussion on who had to take the course. Mr. Burke noted he believed anyone who plans on driving a boat on the CSCD lakes should be required to take the course. Mrs. Bay noted that only the freeholder had to take the zebra mussel course because the freeholder is the one responsible, and who would receive any violations or loss of lake privileges. Mr. Maulden suggested that the freeholder take the course since they are the ones responsible, in order to obtain decals; and the freeholder recommends taking the course with anyone who uses their boat.

MOTION: Mr. Clancy motioned to have the commission author and finalize 30 questions based on security/safety by close of business Friday (2/16) and give them to security commission Board representative, Jim Maulden to recommend this course to the Board, seconded by Mr. Burke. Motion passed.

b. Security Rules

1. Mr. Sherman discussed the top ten rule violations on the lakes.
2. Mr. Clancy asked the commission if there were any other rules that the members wanted to bring up that were not previously discussed. There were previously noted updates mentioned such as the firearm rules and verbiage in the security section of the rulebook.
3. Mr. Maulden noted he spoke to Sonia Leerkamp, an attorney, as an advisor for updating the rulebook as well as what rules are and aren't enforceable and to help with formatting. Mr. Maulden noted that all of the commissions are discussing updating the rules. Mr. Maulden noted he attended the ecology commission meeting and the Board representative on the ecology commission is going to recommend a subcommittee to update the rulebook; this committee would consist of one member from each commission as well as Sonia Leerkamp and Sheena Wheeler as legal advisors to submit a completed copy of updated rules to the Board and the District Attorney. Mr. Sherman asked why there are commissions if subcommittees are going to keep being formed. Mr. Maulden noted that he was just mentioning what was discussed in ecology, which was creating a subcommittee to just focus on rules. Mrs. Bay mentioned that she believed the intention was to form a subcommittee with one representative from each commission, who would relay the rule updates/changes that their

commission had come up with; this would help with the rules that intertwine amongst more than one commission. Mr. Burke mentioned that this would be a temporary committee like the wake boat committee and disband once their purpose was done. There was discussion amongst the commission about previous commissions working on updates to the rulebook.

c. Top 10 Rule Violations

1. The security commission discussed the top ten rule violations during security rule updates.

d. Wake Course

1. Mr. Sherman discussed the course that he had come up with and plotted on a map based on the Board's request. There was discussion about the course. Mr. Maulden noted the Board wanted a map, so the commission did what the Board wanted, but he believes the commission should put on there, the commission believes it is not safe. Mr. Burke noted he believed a course is not safe on either lake, and he doesn't believe they should come up with a course. Mr. Maulden mentioned he understood both Mr. Shermans and Mr. Burkes point on this topic; the commission believes it's not safe, but the Board did ask for a plotted course from the security commission.

MOTION: Mr. Sherman motioned to submit the attached course/map (Exhibit B) to the Board per their request, but the commission does not think a course would be safe on the lakes, seconded by Mr. Petersen.

Discussion: There was discussion on why this course had to come to the security commission, because this course was already designated on a map.

Roll Call:

- Matt Petersen: Yay**
- Harry Sherman: Yay**
- Steve Burke: Nay**
- Brian Clancy: Nay**
- Jim Maulden: Yay**
- JoAnn Hamilton: Yay**
- Cathie Brown: Yay**

MOTION passed 5-2.

10. New Business:

a. At Large Commission Member/New Applicant

1. Mr. Clancy asked Mr. Petersen if he wanted to stay on, Mr. Petersen noted that he planned on staying on the commission

like the other people who stayed on the other commissions; he noted he had the time, the interest in doing it and the background.

2. Mr. Maulden thanked Mr. Petersen for his service. Mr. Maulden noted that this was a Board decision, not a recommendation from the commission. Mr. Maulden noted that there was an application for the security commission from Tom Quill and he was going to recommend the Board to approve Tom Quill for the at-large position. There was some discussion about the at-large position. There was discussion about whether the commission could vote on the position.
3. Mr. Burke noted that Mr. Petersen had served on the commission a long time and had opportunities and done a lot of things. Mr. Burke noted he was a new member and he planned to do his part, but he was not going to stay for a long time, he would serve his time and then someone new would come in and do their part. Mr. Maulden noted that this would not be just his decision he is just making a recommendation to the Board, and it will be a Board decision.
4. The commission then decided to vote on the member-at-large position.

Matt Petersen: Matt Petersen

Harry Sherman: Matt Petersen

Discussion: Mr. Burke noted it is nothing personal, but he believes new people coming in is not a bad thing.

Steve Burke: Tom Quill

Brian Clancy: Tom Quill

Discussion: Mr. Clancy noted that he reached out to Tom, since he was a new applicant, to find out about him. Mr. Clancy noted that Matt is very experienced, and he has learned some from Matt, while on this commission. Mr. Clancy noted that he believes Tom is a smart individual and well versed on dams. Mr. Clancy noted that he does not partake in social media, but he believes some of the things people post can negatively reflect the CSCD community. Mr. Clancy noted that he believed members of a Board, or a commission should not react or post in certain ways. Mr. Clancy also noted that this was a Board decision not theirs. Lastly, Mr. Clancy noted he was expressing why he made the decision he made, and he did not make that decision lightly.

Jim Maulden: Tom Quill

JoAnn Hamilton: Abstained

Discussion: Mrs. Hamilton noted she did not really know Matt or Tom.

Cathie Brown: Matt Petersen

11. Commission Member Concerns:

- a. Mr. Maulden discussed some items that the previous security commission chair, Ted Adolay, brought to his attention. Mr. Maulden asked about locks for the gates at the boat ramps. Mr. Petersen discussed bluetooth locks at the boat ramps and noted that they weren't fully waterproof and cost around \$180/ea.
 1. Mr. Maulden asked about iPads on the boats. Mrs. Bay noted that the boat patrol is currently using cell phones to track tickets issued, when they pull them over, they notify them they have received a ticket and if they want a copy of the ticket, they can pick it up in the office. Mrs. Bay noted this type of ticketing process was implemented because they can search on their phones in the group chat to see if anyone has previously written a ticket to the freeholder in violation of lake rules, and that seemed to work very well. Mr. Burke asked if they used their personal phones, and Mrs. Bay answered they do use their personal phones. Mrs. Brown noted she is also part time boat patrol and likes using her phone. Mr. Clancy brought up body or dash cams so that the boat patrol could capture the person violating the rules. Mr. Maulden requested this be added to next month's agenda.
 2. Mr. Maulden requested adding wake foiling to the agenda for next month. A freeholder had brought this to his attention. Mr. Sherman noted that he has brought this up before because they are fast. Mr. Maulden suggested they be categorized the same as a jet ski.
 3. Mr. Sherman discussed lights on paddleboats, kayaks, and paddleboards. Mr. Sherman asked if this topic could be added to the agenda next month.
 4. Mr. Clancy asked the status of the flock cameras. Mrs. Bay responded that they were all active. There was some discussion. Mrs. Bay noted she would reach out to the Flock rep and make sure that all law enforcement would have access to the Flock cameras in the District.
 5. Mr. Sherman discussed the self-fuel gas tank at the Sweetwater marina and noted that the ecology commission had concerns. Mr. Sherman noted that Grandview Lake allows residents to self-fuel, and they have no issues. Brenda Maulden, of the ecology commission, expressed the ecology commission's concerns with having a self-fuel tank on the lakes. Mrs. Maulden discussed the liability issues with allowing this on the lakes and the ecological damage it can cause; Mrs. Maulden noted all of the research that the ecology commission had done on this topic.

12. Adjourn (7:50 PM)

MOTION: Mr. Clancy moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Burke. Motion passed unanimously.