

**Osakis Shoreline Meeting**  
**April 9, 2019**  
**1:00 PM**

Present: Keith Emerson, Angela Jacobson, Greg Gottwald, Sheila Krohse, Jon Roeschlein, Tryg Hanson, Deanna Leigh

**Shoreline Maintenance**

Discussion of shoreline maintenance included the following:

- Shoreline maintenance for shrubs and native mix that are low maintenance.
- Buffer of native grasses for habitat pollinators.
- Would like to see a minimum of 20 feet.
- Maintenance can be a lot of work.
- DNR assistance with weeding. Can contact Tryg Hanson or Deanna Leigh because it is DNR property.
- After grasses established – can mow 1 to 2 times a year or burn the grasses to rejuvenate.

If the city wants people to access the lake shore, 4 feet can be left open and mulch put down for a path.

If the city were to seed it themselves, Douglas County Soil & Water Conservation District rents their true-ex drill. The DNR would like to see a contractor that has put in seeds/plugs put it in. Someone that knows what they are doing to get a good establishment for the first time. Discussed herbicide prep work for seeds and plugs when seeding area and contractors know what works.

Below are the name of two contractors that the city could work with:

- Prairie Restoration #763-389-4342 – Dianna
- MN Native Landscaping #763-295-0010

If needed, the DNR and contractor could meet onsite to see what is required.

Tryg Hanson can be contacted for weeding to help at the landing.

SRWD has funding – the city will get costs on the seeds and a contractor to see if it fits in our funds. The city is not in a position to spend more than the \$10,000 left.

Jacobson and Gottwald expressed their concerns about not mowing the area and feel the city will receive people's comments and opinions regarding the weeds at the landing.

Hanson and Leigh will check into some signs from the DNR that state the area is a natural DNR vegetation area. They will look into what signs would be needed.

Discussed having a boat cleaning station at the boat landing.

DNR & Douglas County will work on this to get one into the landing. An area has been setup for it in the back of the parking lot.

Leigh was going to send out some seeding groups to get prices.

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