



VILLAGE OF PLOVER

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March 2nd, 2022

Subject: Springville Pond Management Committee (SPMC):

Dear SPMC Members and/or Residents,

As spring quickly approaches, the Village of Plover and its partners have identified a need to meet with the Springville Pond Management Committee (SPMC) and begin the process of updating the Springville Pond Management Plan (SPMP), last updated and approved in 2015. The SPMC has historically met to discuss management strategies, improvement ideas, project updates, and identify concerns related to Springville Pond (water quality, shoreline vegetation, aquatic healthy, etc).

The last SPMC meeting was held January 26th, 2015 and based on our records you own property along the pond or are on the committee which is why you are receiving this letter. We are excited to announce there will be a committee meeting held on **Tuesday, March 15th, 2022 at 6:00pm** at the Village Municipal building (2400 Post Road, Plover WI 54467). The Village and its partners look forward to revitalizing the discussions and improvement efforts for the pond with the help of local residents and businesses. The meeting is open to the public and all property owners along the pond are encouraged to attend. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to provide input/comments/concerns related to the ponds management, please email Village Staff (contact information below) or mail/drop off written comments at the Village Municipal building (address shown above). Additionally, there will be a link located on the Village of Plover website <https://www.ploverwi.gov/> where you can click the link (under News & Announcements), review information and join the meeting virtually. A survey will be sent out after the March 15th meeting and the link to an online survey will also be located on the Village of Plover website (additional information related to finding and accessing the survey will be provided at the meeting).

Attached to this letter is the meeting agenda, additional information and materials will be provided at the meeting and subsequently available online. Digital copies of the existing/previous materials as well as other related information can be found on the Portage County website at <https://www.co.portage.wi.us/departments/planning-zoning/land-and-water-conservation/lakes-study/Springville-Pond> (please contact Village staff via email to get copies of specific materials). If you have any questions prior to the meeting please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thank you and have a great rest of your day and week, we look forward to seeing you soon!

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SPRINGVILLE POND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA (SPMC):

Plover Municipal Center Boardroom
2400 Post Road
Plover, WI

Tuesday, March 15th, 2022
6:00 p.m.

To join the meeting Virtually or to review additional meeting materials, please visit <https://www.ploverwi.gov/> for the meeting link and agenda.

1. **Call to order**
2. **Approval of the minutes of the January 26th, 2015 meeting (last SPMC meeting)**
 - a. A copy of the last meeting minutes was included in the meeting packet.
3. **Introductions and Welcome**
 - a. Committee Members, Village and County Staff, Other Present Organizations/Entities
4. **What is the Springville Pond Management Committee (SPMC) and what is its purpose?**
 - a. Village of Plover and Portage County Staff overview
 - b. Committee member input
5. **Springville Pond Dam (Post Road) update AECOM (staff TBD) to present on the status of the Project.**
 - a. Timelines and next steps
6. **Springville Pond Management Plan (SPMP)**
 - a. Need for an update (last updated and approved in 2015)
 - b. Executive summary of the existing plan (Portage County Staff – Tracy Arnold)
7. **Appointment of new SPMC members (one current vacancy)**
 - a. Appointments may be made at a later date/meeting if needed
8. **Springville Pond Management - Survey**
 - a. Suggestions, questions, and outcomes
 - b. Accessing and completing the survey (Google Forms)
 - i. Where to find the survey (Village website: <https://www.ploverwi.gov/>)
 - ii. How to complete the survey
9. **Future Meetings, Communication, and Notices**
 - a. Village of Plover Website Walkthrough
 - b. Email (optional sign in sheet)
 - c. Q and A
10. **Adjournment subject to call of the chair**
 - a. Next meeting date/time (TBD)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a majority of the members of the Village Board may attend this meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision making authority.

Springville Pond Management Committee Meeting
Monday, January 26, 2015
6:30 p.m.

Members Present: David Worzalla, Steve Anderson, Jason Nafe, Tom Davies, Raquel Miskowski

Excused Members: Fred LaRosa, Mike Kochinski

Others Present: Dan Mahoney, Village Administrator

1. Call to order. Mr. Worzalla called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of December 9, 2014.

Mr. Davies moved to approve the minutes of December 9, 2014 as written. Mr. Nafe seconded and the motion carried.

3. Review and possible approval of Springville Pond Management Plan. Mr. Mahoney stated that Portage County Lakes and Rivers received an e-mail from Ryan Kluck, 2380 Heatherton Lane, in regards to dredging on the pond. Sarah Hull, Water resources Specialist, Center for Watershed Science & Education, responded to Mr. Kluck's inquiry noting that his e-mail was forwarded on to Dan Mahoney, Village of Plover Administrator, for insight as to what the Village plans to do as far as dredging is concerned. Mr. Mahoney read his e-mail response to Mr. Kluck (See attached copy of e-mail).

****RECOMMENDATION TO THE VILLAGE BOARD** Mr. Davies moved that the Plan Commission recommend that the Village Board's February 18th meeting approve the Springville Pond Management Plan subject to any additional public input. Mr. Anderson seconded and the motion carried.**

Ms. Miskowski stated that the spring samples that are done on the pond by the Certified Monitoring Program at UWSP run \$81.00 per sample. Ms. Miskowski is still waiting to connect with Rich Boden, Wastewater System Manager at the Village on the types of analysis that they would be able to help out with although these results would not be able to be part of the state records. Committee to discuss if they feel a couple of spring samples should be done by UWSP so that results can be monitored.

4. Mr. Nafe moved, Ms. Miskowski seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm. Motion carried.

Submitted by Bonnie Wiczek

Springville Pond Management Committee - General Overview:



The Springville Pond Management Committee (SPMC) is a sub-committee of the Village of Plover Board. This committee meets to discuss matters related to the Springville Pond its health, improvement ideas, as well as recreational opportunities. Given action made by this committee may need Village Board approval, it is important for both Committee and Board members to be informed about a particular issue or proposal. The membership requirements and appointment process is identified below from *Chapter 21: Boards, Commissions and Committees* within the Villages Code of Ordinances. Although the formal board and committee makes the recommendations and takes action on different projects and policies as well as provides management recommendations, all the residents along the pond are strongly encouraged to attend meetings given action by this committee will have a direct effect on their properties along the Springville Pond.

§ 21-9. Springville Pond Management Committee. [Added by Ord. No. 16-86; amended by Ord. No. 6-99; Ord. No. 9-06]

- A. **Membership.** The Springville Pond Management Committee shall consist of seven members, including the Chairperson of the Public Works Committee, one Trustee of the Village Board and five property owners whose parcels abut Springville Pond appointed by the Village President for staggered five-year terms and confirmed by the Village Board.⁶
- B. **Powers and duties.** The Springville Pond Management Committee shall make recommendations to the Public Works Committee for cost-effective pond management in Springville Pond.⁷

SPRINGVILLE POND MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

What is a Lake Management Plan?

A lake management plan is a dynamic document that identifies goals and action items for the purpose of creating, protecting and/or maintaining desired conditions in a lake and its watershed for a given period of time.

Additional resources regarding Springville Pond:

(<https://www.co.portage.wi.us/department/planning-zoning/land-and-water-conservation/lakes-study/springville-pond>)

Why do Lake Management Plans need to be updated?

A lake management plan is a living document that changes over time to meet the current needs, challenges and desires of the lake and its community. The goals, objectives and actions listed in this plan should be reviewed annually. It is recommended that this lake management plan be updated every five years with any necessary changes.

**Springville Pond Management Plan was last updated in 2015.

Springville Pond Lake Management Plan History

The Springville Pond management plan was developed by a committee of interested citizens, the Springville Pond Management Committee (a sub-committee of the Village of Plover Board of Trustees), and professionals who applied the data while actively gathering additional citizen input. A citizen survey was conducted in 2010 to learn about values, opinions, and any perceived issues with the pond. The survey was sent to all residents within the Springville Pond watershed. The survey was also available online for any members of the public interested in participating. Two hundred twenty-one (221) surveys were returned.

Next Steps:

We intend to meet throughout 2022 in order to gather updated information about Springville Pond, it's health and the usage of the waterway in order accurately update the Management Plan.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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EXISTING GOALS FROM THE 2015 SPRINGVILLE POND MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

GOAL 1-UNDERSTAND THE SPRINGVILLE POND FISHERY SO THAT A SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT PLAN CAN BE CREATED AND FOLLOWED.

GOAL 2-CONTROL EXISTING AQUATIC INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES (AIS) AND PREVENT ANY NEW AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES FROM BECOMING ESTABLISHED IN SPRINGVILLE POND.

GOAL 3-ENHANCE SPRINGVILLE POND'S NATIVE AQUATIC PLANT COMMUNITY AND ECOSYSTEM.

GOAL 4-IMPROVE THE WATER QUALITY IN SPRINGVILLE POND. PHOSPHORUS CONCENTRATIONS WILL BE BELOW THE 2002/2004 ANNUAL AVERAGE OF 32.5 UG/L AND SUMMER AVERAGES WILL BE WELL BELOW THE WISCONSIN STATE STANDARD OF 40 UG/L.

GOAL 5-MAINTAIN HEALTHY FLOW ON THE LITTLE PLOVER RIVER AND WATER LEVELS IN SPRINGVILLE POND.

GOAL 6-WATERFRONT PROPERTY OWNERS AND LAKE USERS WILL BE INFORMED ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF SHORELANDS FOR A SUSTAINABLE AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM AND HOW THEIR ACTIONS CAN AFFECT THE HABITAT AND WATER QUALITY IN THE POND.

GOAL 7-CREATE, RESTORE AND PROTECT HEALTHY, STABLE SHORELINE HABITATS NEAR AND AROUND SPRINGVILLE POND. THIS GOAL WILL BE ACHIEVED WHEN ALL OF THE SHORELANDS AROUND SPRINGVILLE POND MEET OR EXCEED THE COUNTY AND STATE SHORELAND ZONING ORDINANCES.

GOAL 8-IMPROVE THE AESTHETIC BEAUTY AND RECREATION ON SPRINGVILLE POND.

GOAL 9-EVERY SHORELAND OR WATERSHED RESIDENT AND PARTNERS IDENTIFIED IN THIS PLAN CAN ACCESS INFORMATION REGARDING SPRINGVILLE POND AND THE ACTIONS OUTLINED IN THE MANAGEMENT PLAN.

Survey Location and Overview:

The research and management plan resulting from this data will only be as good as the information provided, therefore staff encourage participants to be as honest as possible when answering the following questions. The Village of Plover and Portage County encourages not only residents that live along the Springville Pond to participate but anyone within the community that has an interest or any experience with the pond. Survey is intended to be completed in 5-20 minutes depending on the amount of detail provided.

The first section of this survey is intended to collect information related to the respondents to better ensure there is only one response per individual. Additionally, this section is intended to collect information related to who is utilizing the pond and from how far away they are traveling to utilize the park/pond.

This second section of the survey is intended to collect information related to the public's perception of the pond and the different ways the public uses the pond. Please provide as much information as you can, there will be an opportunity at the end of the survey to provide additional comments, questions, concerns that may not be directly related to any of the questions within this survey.

This third and final section is intended to collect qualitative information related to your experiences and opinions associated with the Springville Pond. This section includes open ended questions and an opportunity to provide supplemental comments/concerns not related to any specific question or topic.

How to find the Survey:

- Go onto the Village of Plover Website: <https://www.ploverwi.gov/>
- Either click the Springville Pond Management Committee link under “New and Announcements” or click on the Government tab at the top of the page and select the Springville Pond Management Committee.
- Once you are on the Springville Pond Management Committee page you can click on the Survey Link labeled “Springville Pond Management Plan Survey – 2022” to complete the survey (Google Forms is being used for this survey).
- Once you are within the Google Forms survey, please complete the form and answer the questions as honestly as you can, some questions will require an answer prior to moving to the next section or completing the survey.
- If you have virtual access to this meeting packet you can also click on the link below to go directly to the survey from your computer, phone, or other device.
 - Survey Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbgWBABwDpmWiy-SXIEtbs9FYvEUnamVgA5SGeqPyVzCL8jQ/viewform?usp=sf_link
 - The survey will be opened for responses March 16th, 2022 at noon and will be closed April 15th, 2022 at noon.