

Welcome to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board

Regular Public Meeting

December 13, 2024

Board Members

Carolyn Brummund

Jesse Campbell

Dave Dailey

Heather Tait

Terry Dutcher

Fred Strauer

Rex Vaughn

Alcona County Commissioner

Alcona County Road Commission Rep.

Greenbush Twp. Representative

Oscoda Township Clerk

Iosco County Commissioner

Iosco County Drain Commissioner

Citizen Riparian Representative

Cedar Lake Improvement Board  
Regular Public Meeting  
Greenbush Township Hall  
Greenbush, MI 48738  
Friday, December 13, 2024  
10:00 AM ET

Proposed Agenda, Rev. 1

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Conference Call Meeting Operating Protocol & Housekeeping.
4. Public Comment (Not related to Public Hearing).
5. Approval of Agenda as Presented.
6. Review and Approve Minutes from the October 11, 2024, Regular Public Meeting.
7. Motion to Recess for 2025 Budget Public Hearing.
8. Open 2025 Budget Public Hearing.
  - a. Roll Call.
  - b. Presentation of 2025 Proposed Budget (Exhibit "A" in the Board Packet).
  - c. Open the Hearing for Public Comments.
    - i. Hear public comments on the proposed Budget.
    - ii. Present any written remarks received by the Board prior to or during the Public Hearing.
  - d. Motion to Close 2025 Budget Public Hearing.
9. Reconvene Regular Meeting.
  - a. Roll Call.
10. Comments by Brian Vokal, President of the Alcona-Iosco Cedar Lake Association.
  - a. Mr. Vokal will update the CLIB on the renewed commitment by the AICLA to support the continuous improvement of Cedar Lake.
11. Old Business.
  - a. Recap of 2024 Actual Budget through 11/30/2024.
    - i. Actual spending is forecasted to be below budget.
    - ii. No budget revisions are required.
  - b. Final Review of 2025 CLIB Proposed Budget and consider adoption of 2025 Budget Resolution. Draft Resolution is included in the Board Packet.

**CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD  
ALCONA COUNTY & IOSCO COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-2  
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CEDAR LAKE  
IMPROVEMENT BOARD 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET**

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Cont'd,

- c. Correspondence.
  - i. Linderman 10/30/2024 Letter.
  - ii. Oscoda Township 4/9/2024 Letter.

12. New Business.

- a. Review and approve bills that were paid since the 10-11-2024 meeting or are now due.
  - i. Kieser & Associates, 2024/2025 Watershed Consulting Contract, professional services, Inv. 24-149, \$ 6,322.93, (new).
- b. Search for new scribe and fiduciary.
  - i. Update from Commissioner Brummund.
- c. RFP for 2025 Aquatic Herbicide Treatments on Cedar Lake.
  - i. Bids should go out NLT the end of January, bid opening in February CLIB meeting.
  - ii. One (1) year vs three (3) year contract consideration.
  - iii. Request motion authorizing the Chair to prepare and issue RFP's in January 2025 for either a single or multi-year Aquatic Herbicide Treatment contract.
- d. 2025 Meeting Schedule.
  - i. Propose Friday, Feb. 14 (bid opening), March 7 (bid award), April 11, July11, Oct. 10, Dec. 12. Dates will be published in the two local newspapers before year's end.
  - ii. Request motion confirming the 2025 Meeting Schedule.

13. Public Comment.

14. Next Regular Meeting Date: To Be Determined based upon Item 12d (i) above.

15. Adjournment.

**Cedar Lake Improvement Board Regular Public Meeting  
Public Access Instructions**

**Friday, December 13, 2024, at 10:00 AM ET**

**CONFERENCE CALL-IN INFORMATION:**

**To join the conference call, participants should call 302-202-1110 & enter Conference Code:  
639770**

Cedar Lake Improvement Board Meeting Minutes  
Regular Public Meeting  
Greenbush Township Hall  
Friday, October 11, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

1. Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Board Roll Call. Present: Carolyn Brummund, Terry Dutcher, Rex Vaughn, Jesse Campbell, Matt Horning (Alternate for Oscoda Twp). Absent: Fred Strauer, David Dailey. There was a quorum. Total of 8 guests in person and two on the conference phone line.
3. Conference Phone line Meeting operating protocol and housekeeping reviewed for audio only, video unavailable.
4. Public Comment:
  - Debra Woniewski inquired about weed treatment in front of their place on Cedar Lake and what could be done about lily pads.
  - Tom Maxwell introduced himself as the incoming Supervisor for Oscoda Township. He expressed interest in working with the CLIB on mutual matters
  - Note: Technical issues with the conference calling hardware during the Public Comment section may have caused some public comments to be omitted.
5. Approval of 10-11-24 Agenda: Motion to approve agenda as presented made by Brummund/Dutcher. All ayes, Motion carried.
6. Approval of Minutes of 7-12-24 Regular Board Meeting: Motion to approve minutes of the 7-19-24 Regular Board Meeting made by Dutcher/Brummund. All ayes: Motion carried.
7. Old Business
  - (a) The following was presented and discussed regarding the financial audit for FY 2023:
    - The FY 2023 Audit Report was submitted electronically to the Michigan Department of Treasury on 9/6/2024 by our auditor, Nick Cordes, of Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein. Per previous email correspondence with the members of the CLIB on 8/27/2024, the audit was submitted prior to the 10/11/24 Board Meeting.
    - Nick Cordes joined the meeting in person to review the audit with the Board and answer any questions by the board members.
    - The audit report was included in the online Board Info Packet, but due to document size, they were not printed in the Board Notebooks. Mr. Cordes furnished hard copies to the Board members during the meeting. The audit was emailed to all Board members on 8/19/2024. Furthermore, the audit has been uploaded to the CLIB website on the Meetings/Audit page.
    - Mr. Cordes was pleased to report that they were able to issue an unmodified opinion on the audit, which is the highest rated opinion that a CPA firm can issue on an audit.
    - Board members had no questions. One question from the audience by Frank Kramarz concerning real estate valuation in the audit was answered by Mr. Cordes.
    - Motion by Dutcher, supported by Campbell, to accept and approve the audit. Roll call vote, all ayes, Motion carried.

(b) The following was presented and discussed regarding the 2024 Aquatic Herbicide Treatment Contract:

- On August 7 & 8, 2024, the second full LakeScan™ aquatic survey was performed by two aquatic scientists from Kieser & Associates. Their summary reports for the north and south portions of the lake are included in the Board Notebook. Additionally, the detailed LakeScan™ Early Season Survey Reports are included in the Board Notebook.
- Based upon the results of the August survey, Cedar Lake was treated with aquatic herbicides on September 18, 2024. Less than four (4) acres in the north end of the lake were treated for Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) and nuisance plants. Three shoreline sites on the northwest side of the lake were spot treated for invasive Phragmites. Approximately 0.19 acres in the south end of the lake were treated for EWM. Treatment maps and the lake side posting notice is included in the Board Notebook. Four property owners gave full cooperation to treat the shoreline Phragmites.

(c) The following was presented and discussed regarding the Jones Ditch Property Update:

- Alcona County Land Division Application was approved on 8/9/2024. A full copy of the approved application is included in the online Board Info Packet, but only the relevant parcel identification documents and approval signature page are included in the Board Notebook. Hard copy available upon request.
- Real Estate Listing with Heritage House Realty Oscoda/AuSable was signed on 8/13/24, copy included in the Board Notebook. Listing appeared on online real estate sites on 8/15/24.

(d) The Chair noted that no action has been taken since the last meeting regarding the Oscoda Township Letter to the CLIB.

## 8. New Business

(a) CLIB FY 2025 Budget Preparation discussed as follows:

- Proposed budget needs to be presented to the Board at the December 6, 2024, Meeting.
- A budget public hearing will also need to take place at the same meeting.
- The Board Chairman will not be available to attend the 12/6/24 Meeting due to a medical matter. The chairman will also not be available to assist in the preparation of the 2025 Budget or deal with other Lake Board matters from 10/31/24 through at least 12/13/24.
- Nick Cordes, of Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein, will be able to provide budget preparation support and assistance to the Board as noted in email correspondence included in the Board Notebook. Chair recommends retaining Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein (Nick Cordes) on a time and material basis to assist with the 2025 Budget preparation.
- Motion by Dutcher/Brummund to retain Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein to assist with the 2025 Budget preparation on a time and material rate of \$100.00/hr. Roll Call vote: All ayes, Motion carried.

(b) Review and approve bills that were paid since the 7-19-2024 meeting or are now due.

Motion to approve the ten invoices as itemized below made by Brummund/Dutcher. Roll Call vote: All ayes, Motion carried. The following are the 10 invoices:

1. Bloom Sluggett, professional legal services, July 2024, Inv. 25272, \$966.00.00 (paid).
2. Bloom Sluggett, professional legal services, August 2024, Inv. 25431, \$669.50 (paid).
3. Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein P.C., professional audit services, August 2024, Inv. 40907, \$3,500.00 (paid).
4. Kieser & Associates, 2024/2025 Watershed Consulting Contract, professional services, Inv. 24-088, \$ 3,587.95 (paid).
5. Kieser & Associates, 2024/2025 LakeScan Contract, professional services, Inv. 24-089, \$ 3,710.60 (paid).
6. Kieser & Associates, 2024/2025 LakeScan Contract, professional services, Inv. 24-095, \$ 4,472.40 (paid).
7. U.S. Postal Service, 2024 Annual PO Box Service Fee, \$74.00 (paid).
8. Rex Vaughn, Office Expenses Reimbursement (copy paper), \$9.79 (paid).
9. Kieser & Associates, 2024/2025 Watershed Consulting Contract, professional services, Inv. 24-122, \$ 1,072.50 (new).
10. SOLitude Lake Management, 9/18/2024 Aquatic Herbicide Treatment on Cedar Lake, Inv. PSI109606, \$5,676.25 (new).

9. Public Comment.

- (a) Jeff Linderman inquired if the board knew about the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program. Chair responded that he knew of the grant, but it is not the appropriate grant program for a Lake Improvement Board or lake front owners. Kieser & Associates and the Chair have investigated this annual grant more than once over the years, and it is intended to fund projects in Michigan's twenty-two Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas dealing with terrestrial and aquatic invasives, not Lake Boards.
- (b) Frank Kramarz inquired about the Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership Lake Conservation Grant that CLIB applied for earlier this year. Chair responded that the decision date will be near the end of 2024. The Chair is aware that CLIB was scored in second place and should be receiving a grant award pending funding from federal sources. Also discussed was the watershed drainage at Lakewood Shores and weed control in the trenches on the west side of the lake.
- (c) Harry Cole thanked the board for all their hard work. Also mentioned that the EA2 lake access point was a better place on the lake to launch and retrieve boats during low lake levels compared to the DNR Ramp.
- (d) Tom Maxwell commented about the upcoming changes on the Oscoda Township Board that will take place due to the November election, drainage issues in Lakewood Shores, and as the presumed Oscoda Supervisor-Elect, he is open to improved collaborative efforts with CLIB to improve the lake and resolve issues related to the Oscoda Township Letter to the CLIB.

10. Next Regular Meeting Date: Friday, December 6, 2024, 10 AM, Greenbush Township Hall.

After reminding everyone that the next meeting was Dec 6 and that it included a Public Hearing for the 2025 CLIB Budget, there was discussion regarding not having a quorum. The conclusion was that if the meeting was moved to Dec. 13, not only would a quorum be expected but if needed, there would still

be time to hold another meeting in Dec. to approve the 2025 Budget before the first of the year. Motion to move the Dec. 6 Regular Meeting to Dec. 13 and include the 2025 Budget Public Hearing made by Brummund/Dutcher. All ayes, Motion passed. The location will be announced in the Alcona Review with the Public Hearing Announcement. It will either be at the Greenbush Township Hall or the Commissioners Room in Harrisville at 10 a.m.

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Dutcher/Campbell. All ayes. Motion passed., adjourned at 11:15 AM.

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# Exhibit A

## Cedar Lake Improvement Board Proposed 2025 Budget

		2020 Budget	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Projected YTD	2025 Budget
<b>Revenue</b>												
220-000-451.000	Spec. Assessment - Greenbush Twp	66,300.00	66,361.68	66,450.00	67,650.00	67,650.00	65,850.00	65,850.00	66,457.50	65,850.00	68,789.54	65,850.00
220-000-451.001	Spec. Assessment - Oscoda Twp	46,950.00	39,750.00	46,500.00	47,250.00	47,250.00	48,450.00	48,450.00	47,373.36	47,373.00	47,932.41	46,650.00
220-000-665.000	Interest Income - Bank Deposits	250.00	152.55	175.00	83.31	46.54	113.28	100.00	78.12	80.00	77.60	80.00
220-000-665.000	Interest Income - CD Interest	2,244.49	2,284.92	1,620.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Sale of Excess Property @ Jones Ditch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Transfer To/From Fund Balance	0.00	34,471.11	0.00	-21,427.67	0.00	140,885.83	16,362.00	9,831.33	0.00	-22,119.67	-4,580.00
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>115,744.49</b>	<b>143,020.26</b>	<b>114,745.00</b>	<b>93,555.64</b>	<b>114,946.54</b>	<b>255,299.11</b>	<b>130,762.00</b>	<b>123,740.31</b>	<b>113,303.00</b>	<b>94,679.88</b>	<b>108,000.00</b>

Beginning Bank Balance	125,143.77	74,140.65	257,153.43	123,748.07	113,916.74	- based on December Projected Activity
Ending Bank Balance	74,140.65	257,153.43	124,932.79	113,916.74	136,036.41	
Certificate of Deposit	157,724.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Assets	231,865.22	257,153.43	124,932.79	113,916.74	136,036.41	
Net Change By Year	-48,718.20	25,288.21	-132,220.64	-11,016.05	22,119.67	

		2020 Budget	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Projected YTD	2025 Budget
<b>Expenditures</b>												
220-570-801.000	Scribe/Recording Secretary	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	500.00	290.00	1,000.00
220-570-801.001	Fiduciary	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	500.00	290.00	1,000.00
220-570-805.000	Biennial Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	4,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
220-570-805.001	Legal & CPA Consultation Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	7,528.00	5,000.00	2,741.00	2,400.00
220-570-727.000	Office Supplies	350.00	0.00	250.00	26.50	250.00	983.44	250.00	124.98	250.00	403.39	500.00
220-570-728.000	Postage & PO Box	750.00	63.35	100.00	62.00	70.00	66.00	70.00	136.50	150.00	74.00	150.00
220-570-802.010	Lake Management Contract	9,969.00	9,060.00	10,150.00	10,035.00	11,850.00	12,100.00	12,000.00	11,480.80	14,448.00	15,731.35	15,206.00
220-570-802.100	Limnologist Special Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-967.000	Natural Shoreline Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-967.001	Fisheries Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-803.000	Consulting Engineering Contract	43,768.00	34,826.35	42,450.00	60,871.89	44,595.00	51,209.29	50,000.00	47,447.49	31,948.00	35,651.50	31,746.00
220-570-971.000	Construction Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	199.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-806.000	EGLE Berm Permit Appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-804.000	Lake Herbicide Treatment Contract	50,000.00	83,618.25	55,000.00	21,395.25	50,000.00	32,838.00	40,000.00	34,383.59	40,000.00	28,426.90	40,000.00
220-570-861.000	Board Travel Reimbursement	600.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	600.00	865.96	250.00	0.00	250.00
220-570-901.000	Advertising/Meetings Incl. SAD	1,000.00	6,808.46	100.00	0.00	100.00	816.49	250.00	4,062.24	3,500.00	1,626.69	3,500.00
220-570-820.000	SAD Legal & Eng. Services	3,000.00	7,047.50	600.00	585.00	0.00	79.50	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
220-570-932.000	Rainfall Instrument Repair/Replacement	500.00	390.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
220-570-961.000	Bank Charges (Oscoda)	0.00	36.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	104.56	120.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	50.00
220-570-969.000	Contingency	5,227.49	0.00	5,265.00	0.00	7,251.54	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,817.00	0.00	2,548.00
220-570-933.000	Watershed Construction Projects & Repair	0.00	590.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
220-570-805.000	Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	801.00	900.00	858.00	900.00
220-570-808.000	Website Services & Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,540.00	1,540.00	750.00
220-570-975.000	Jones Ditch Acquisition & Disposition	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	156,521.83	12,892.00	11,630.75	2,000.00	3,516.86	2,000.00
	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>115,744.49</b>	<b>143,020.26</b>	<b>114,745.00</b>	<b>93,555.64</b>	<b>114,946.54</b>	<b>255,299.11</b>	<b>130,762.00</b>	<b>123,740.31</b>	<b>113,303.00</b>	<b>94,684.69</b>	<b>108,000.00</b>



# Expanded View

## Cedar Lake Improvement Board Proposed 2025 Budget

		2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Projected YTD	2025 Budget	2024 Actual Revenues											Totals	
Revenue									Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec Projected	
220-000-451.000	Spec. Assessment - Greenbush Twp	67,650.00	65,850.00	65,850.00	66,457.50	65,850.00	68,789.54	65,850.00		24,900.00	42,089.54							1,800.00		68,789.54	
220-000-451.001	Spec. Assessment - Oscoda Twp	47,250.00	48,450.00	48,450.00	47,373.36	47,373.00	47,932.41	46,650.00		32,424.21		10,579.41	4,028.79		900.00					47,932.41	
220-000-665.000	Interest Income - Bank Deposits	46.54	113.28	100.00	78.12	80.00	77.60	80.00	4.81	6.16	7.87	7.96	8.31	7.75	7.44	6.84	6.47	6.31	5.99	77.60	
220-000-665.000	Interest Income - CD Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	
	Sale of Excess Property @ Jones Ditch	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	
	Transfer To/From Fund Balance	0.00	140,885.83	16,362.00	9,831.33	0.00	-22,119.67	-4,580.00												0.00	
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>114,946.54</b>	<b>255,299.11</b>	<b>130,762.00</b>	<b>123,740.31</b>	<b>113,303.00</b>	<b>94,679.88</b>	<b>108,000.00</b>	<b>4.81</b>	<b>57,330.37</b>	<b>42,097.41</b>	<b>10,587.37</b>	<b>4,037.10</b>	<b>7.75</b>	<b>7.44</b>	<b>906.84</b>	<b>6.47</b>	<b>6.31</b>	<b>1,805.99</b>	<b>6.50</b>	<b>116,799.55</b>

Beginning Bank Balance	257,153.43	123,748.07	113,916.74	- Projected based on current and past trends
Ending Bank Balance	124,932.79	113,916.74	136,036.41	- based on December Projected Activity
Certificate of Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Assets	124,932.79	113,916.74	136,036.41	
Net Change By Year	-132,220.64	-11,016.05	22,119.67	

		2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Projected YTD	2025 Budget	2024 Actual Expenditures											Totals	
Expenditures									Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec Projected	
220-570-801.000	Scribe/Recording Secretary	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	500.00	290.00	1,000.00												290.00	290.00
220-570-801.001	Fiduciary	290.00	290.00	290.00	290.00	500.00	290.00	1,000.00												290.00	290.00
220-570-805.000	Biennial Audit	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	4,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00										3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00
220-570-805.001	Legal & CPA Consultation Fees	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	7,528.00	5,000.00	2,741.00	2,400.00	445.50				110.00	220.00			1,635.50			330.00	2,741.00
220-570-727.000	Office Supplies	250.00	983.44	250.00	124.98	250.00	403.39	500.00	33.34	202.73	129.09	28.44			9.79					403.39	403.39
220-570-728.000	Postage & PO Box	70.00	66.00	70.00	136.50	150.00	74.00	150.00										74.00		74.00	74.00
220-570-802.010	Lake Management Contract	11,850.00	12,100.00	12,000.00	11,480.80	14,448.00	15,731.35	15,206.00		2,111.20				1,849.20	7,298.55	4,472.40				15,731.35	15,731.35
220-570-802.100	Limnologist Special Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-967.000	Natural Shoreline Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-967.001	Fisheries Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-803.000	Consulting Engineering Contract	44,595.00	51,209.29	50,000.00	47,447.49	31,948.00	35,651.50	31,746.00		16,504.20		2,173.10	9,578.77					1,072.50	6,322.93	35,651.50	35,651.50
220-570-971.000	Construction Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	199.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-806.000	EGLE Berm Permit Appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-804.000	Lake Herbicide Treatment Contract	50,000.00	32,838.00	40,000.00	34,383.59	40,000.00	28,426.90	40,000.00					1,600.00	21,150.65				5,676.25		28,426.90	28,426.90
220-570-861.000	Board Travel Reimbursement	250.00	0.00	600.00	865.96	250.00	0.00	250.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-901.000	Advertising/Meetings Incl. SAD	100.00	816.49	250.00	4,062.24	3,500.00	1,626.69	3,500.00		797.00	568.43				261.26					1,626.69	1,626.69
220-570-820.000	SAD Legal & Eng. Services	0.00	79.50	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-932.000	Rainfall Instrument Repair/Replacement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-961.000	Bank Charges (Oscoda)	0.00	104.56	120.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	50.00			35.00									35.00	35.00
220-570-969.000	Contingency	7,251.54	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,817.00	0.00	2,548.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-933.000	Watershed Construction Projects & Repair	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00												0.00	0.00
220-570-805.000	Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	801.00	900.00	858.00	900.00			858.00									858.00	858.00
220-570-808.000	Website Services & Support	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,540.00	1,540.00	750.00							877.50					662.50	1,540.00
220-570-975.000	Jones Ditch Acquisition & Disposition	0.00	156,521.83	12,892.00	11,630.75	2,000.00	3,516.86	2,000.00		1736.86				1,680.00	100.00					3,516.86	3,516.86
	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>114,946.54</b>	<b>255,299.11</b>	<b>130,762.00</b>	<b>123,740.31</b>	<b>113,303.00</b>	<b>94,684.69</b>	<b>108,000.00</b>	<b>478.84</b>	<b>21,351.99</b>	<b>732.52</b>	<b>3,059.54</b>	<b>11,288.77</b>	<b>3,749.20</b>	<b>22,128.15</b>	<b>7,569.60</b>	<b>6,107.90</b>	<b>3,574.00</b>	<b>6,748.75</b>	<b>7,895.43</b>	<b>94,684.69</b>

**CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

**ALCONA COUNTY & IOSCO COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-2**

At a regular meeting of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board (the “Lake Board”) held on December 13, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Greenbush Township Hall, the following Resolution was offered for adoption by Lake Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and was seconded by Lake Board Member \_\_\_\_\_:

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, Section 30927 of Part 309 of Public Act 1994 (MCL 324.30927) requires that the Lake Board adopt an annual budget;

WHEREAS, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Public Act 2 of 1968, as amended by Public Act 621 of 1978, requires that the Lake Board hold a public hearing prior to the adoption of the annual budget;

WHEREAS, the Lake Board has convened a public hearing on the proposed annual budget after the publication of notice as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Board has considered the proposed annual budget and any comments made at the public hearing related to the annual budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Lake Board hereby adopts the Cedar Lake Improvement Board 2025 Annual Budget in the total amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (copy attached as Exhibit A) as its general appropriations act pursuant to the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act.
2. The Lake Board expenditures pursuant to the annual budget, the amendment of the budget, the transfer of funds thereunder and other matters pertaining to financial operations pursuant to the budget shall be subject to applicable provisions of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act and other applicable law.
3. This resolution shall become effective upon signature.

The vote on the motion to adopt this Resolution was as follows:

YEAS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a Resolution adopted by the Cedar Lake Improvement Board at the date and place stated above pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 13, 2024

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** Request for Response to Oscoda Township's Concerns  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 11:40:05 AM Eastern Daylight Time  
**From:** Jeff Linderman  
**To:** undisclosed-recipients;;  
**Attachments:** Wusterbarth-CLIB Resignation.pdf, Supervisor Palmer Letter to CLIB.pdf

**Jeffrey Linderman**  
Via US Mail & Email  
7729 Cedar Lane  
Greenbush, MI 48738  
10-30-2024

**Cedar Lake Improvement Board Members**  
PO Box 53  
Greenbush, MI 48738

**Subject: Request for Response to Oscoda Township's Concerns**

Dear Cedar Lake Improvement Board Members,

As a resident of Oscoda Township, I am writing regarding ongoing concerns and requests raised by Oscoda Township in relation to the Cedar Lake Improvement Board (CLIB).

On January 22, 2024, the Charter Township of Oscoda held a Public Hearing to consider the potential dissolution of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board. At the conclusion of that hearing, the board unanimously agreed to send a formal letter to Alcona County, Iosco County, Greenbush Township, and the Cedar Lake Improvement Board, outlining the concerns discussed during this session.

On March 20, 2024, Oscoda Township Trustee Wusterbarth, the representative to the CLIB submitted his resignation, citing various items, which I have attached here as a reference. Following this, on April 9, 2024, Oscoda Township Supervisor William Palmer submitted a written communication to the CLIB detailing concerns consistent with those presented in the Oscoda Township Board Packet from January 22, 2024.

During the CLIB Public Meeting on July 19, 2024, this letter was acknowledged and discussed under New Business, Item "B." The draft minutes from that meeting state: "Oscoda Township Letter to the CLIB was presented and a copy of the letter is included in the board packet. Discussion regarding a response to the letter. Vaughn will work on a response and bring it to a future board meeting for review and approval."

Subsequently, on the agenda for the CLIB meeting held on October 11, 2024, under Old Business, Item "F," it was noted that there had been "No action to date" concerning this matter.

Since the Public Hearing on January 22, 2024, 264 days have passed without a formal response from the CLIB. Since the written communication from Oscoda Township on April 9, 2024, 204 days have elapsed without action. Given the serious concerns raised both at the Public Hearing

and in the resignation letter from Trustee Wusterbarth on March 20, 2024, I believe that the CLIB has had sufficient time to address these matters and provide an official response to both the public and the relevant governmental agencies.

I respectfully request that the Cedar Lake Improvement Board address these issues publicly and provide an update on the concerns raised by Oscoda Township. I understand that there is a CLIB meeting scheduled for December 6, 2024, and I hope that a response to these outstanding matters can be included in the agenda.

Thank you for your attention to these important concerns.

Sincerely,  
Jeffrey Linderman  
Riparian-Cedar Lake  
7729 Cedar Lane  
Greenbush, MI 48738

**CC:**  
Iosco County  
Alcona County  
Greenbush Township  
Oscoda Press  
Alcona Review



Charter Township of Oscoda  
110 South State Street  
Oscoda, Michigan 48750  
Office of Supervisor: (989)739-3211  
Office of Clerk: (989)739-4971  
Office of Treasurer: (989)739-7471  
Office of Superintendent: (989)739-8299  
Fax: (989)739-3344

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April 9, 2024

Cedar Lake Improvement Board  
P.O. Box 53  
Greenbush, MI 48738

Dear Members of the Cedar Lake Improvement Board,

As you may know, the Oscoda Township Board received a request to dissolve the Cedar Lake Improvement Board (CLIB) in accordance with MCL 325.30929. The request was based on allegations of violations of various state laws governing the Cedar Lake Improvement Board. A public hearing was held at our January 22, 2024 Regular Township Board Meeting. After receiving and reviewing numerous documents and conducting the public hearing, the Township Board decided to share our concerns with Iosco County, Alcona County, Greenbush Township and the CLIB. These materials are all available for public consumption on the Township's website, in the Agenda Packet for the January 22, 2024 Regular Township Board Meeting.

By virtue of this correspondence, we are seeking information from the CLIB in response to the allegations.

Sincerely,

William Palmer  
Oscoda Township Supervisor

cc: Iosco County  
Alcona County  
Greenbush Township

March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

To: William Palmer-Oscoda Township Supervisor  
Cc: Tammy Kline-Oscoda Township Superintendent

From: Steven Wusterbarth-Oscoda Township Trustee & CLIB Appointed Member

Subject: Resignation Requested from the appointed position for the CLIB

Bill,

I am submitting my resignation for the Cedar Lake Improvement Board (CLIB).

During my term, I have witnessed many issues that are very concerning to me. A few of them are:

- Many Open Meeting Act (OMA) violations during my term on this board
  - OMA violations that appear to have existed with prior CLIB Boards
  - The “illegal” expenditure by a past CLIB board to investigate augmentation well’s.
  - The “illegal” expenditure of Special Assessment District (SAD) funds to purchase real estate during my term on this board. Also, prior real estate purchases by past CLIB boards.
- These expenditures are not allowed within the current definition of the existing SAD district. I agreed with it at the time. However, it was later brought to my attention by a riparian that this expenditure for real estate cannot proceed without going back to the riparian’s with a new petition. After further research, I agree with this riparian’s position, and I started action through the Oscoda Township Board (OTB) to dissolve the CLIB. This action was unsuccessful within the OTB. However, the OTB did agree to initiate a letter to the CLIB addressing these concerns with a requested written response from the CLIB regarding the identified issues. A draft of this letter should be available for the OTB to review at its March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting.

After the CLIB public hearing at the OTB. I was quite disappointed in our elected official’s positions regarding these matters. In my view the CLIB has violated the public trust, and all of us took an oath to abide by the laws of the State of Michigan.

I disagree with the OTB’s comments/position regarding the serious issues related to the CLIB.

Therefore, I can be much more effective as a Cedar Lake riparian in pursuing an investigation and remedies that may be allowed within the State of Michigan. I have initiated contact with the State of Michigan to start a formal complaint and I will be investigating a possible “Civil” action within the judicial system.

I appreciate the appointment to this board. Respectfully, I ask for you to accept my resignation to be effective as soon as possible.

Also, I would implore that you consider that appointment of a riparian of Cedar Lake that resides within Oscoda Township to be the appointed representative of the CLIB from Oscoda Township. This board is only managing funds received from the SAD that is paid for by riparian property owners and not other public funds. In my opinion, this board needs more riparian members other than the County Commissioner appointments that are listed within the statute. The local government entity (i.e.: Oscoda and Greenbush) is permitted to appoint someone other than an elected official. Also, each Drain Commissioner is permitted to appoint another person to represent them as well. Lastly, I would ask that our Superintendent be listed as the alternate from OTB. This would be a beneficial interim solution to obtain more riparian’s on the CLIB.

Best Regards,



Steven Wusterbarth

536 E. Michigan Avenue  
 Suite 300  
 Kalamazoo, MI 49007

# Invoice

DATE	INVOICE #
12/3/2024	24-149

**BILL TO:**

Cedar Lake Improvement Bd.  
 C/o Rex Vaughn  
 PO Box 53  
 Greenbush, MI 48738

DESCRIPTION	QTY	P.O. NO.	TERMS
		2024 Budget	Net 30
DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Senior Scientist/ Principal - Task 3	4.25	200.00	850.00
Professional Engineer - Task 4	1	160.00	160.00
Project Manager - Task 4	4.5	75.00	337.50
Senior Scientist/ Principal - Task 5a	1.75	200.00	350.00
Field Manager - Task 5a	16	80.00	1,280.00
Professional Engineer - Task 5a	1.5	160.00	240.00
Project Manager - Task 5a	29	75.00	2,175.00
Mileage to/from Cedar Lake, 11/19-11/20 - Task 5a.1	520	0.67	348.40
Holiday Inn, 11/20/24 - 2 Rooms - Task 5a.1		282.18	282.18
Fergie's Pizza, Meal 11/19/24 - Task 5a.1		24.80	24.80
GS Pizza & Deli, Meal 11/20/24 - Task 5a.1		50.05	50.05
Project Manager - Task 5b	1	75.00	75.00
Senior Scientist/ Principal - Task 5f	0.75	200.00	150.00
<p>This invoice is for professional services rendered through November 30, 2024, as related to Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. 2024-2025 Budget.</p>			
<p>Please remit payment to Kieser &amp; Associates, LLC            For questions, please contact Becky Hough.</p>			<p><b>Total</b> USD 6,322.93</p>

Phone #	Fax #
(269) 344-7117	(269) 344-2493



**Kieser & Associates, LLC**  
**Time by Job Detail**  
October through November 2024

Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024)	Date	Name	Duration	Cost	Notes
<b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 3 - Watershed Mgmt Plan (WMP) Update</b>					
	10/25/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.25	50.00	WMP re-start coord. with Rex
	10/28/2024	Kieser, Mark	1.50	300.00	Restart coord. call w/ Rex, Brian, Frank; prep/follow-ups
	10/31/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.75	150.00	WMP call with CLIB/AICLA and prep
	11/11/2024	Kieser, Mark	1.25	250.00	Supplemental needs for WMP
	11/25/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.50	100.00	Final integrated approach
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 3:</b>			<b>4.25</b>	<b>850.00</b>	
<b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 4 - Fisheries Habitat Analysis</b>					
	11/07/2024	Jacobson, John	1.00	160.00	Discussion on fisheries Habitat assessment
	11/21/2024	Howard, Natalie	1.75	131.25	Downloading and compiling fisheries habitat assessment forms
	11/22/2024	Howard, Natalie	2.75	206.25	Compiling assessing and uploading fisheries habitat analysis forms
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 4:</b>			<b>5.50</b>	<b>497.50</b>	
<b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5a - Hydrology-Logger Maint+ 2 Visit</b>					
	11/07/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.25	50.00	Logger retrieval coord.
	11/19/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.25	50.00	Timberlakes logger info.
	11/18/2024	Kieser, Mark	1.25	250.00	Sensor retrieval/trib survey coord.
	11/19/2024	Kieser, Josh	10.00	800.00	Travel & recover all groundwater / lake loggers & culvert measurements
	11/20/2024	Kieser, Josh	6.00	480.00	Creeks assessments & stream measurements
	11/14/2024	Jacobson, John	1.50	240.00	Discussion on steam assessment approach
	11/13/2024	Howard, Natalie	3.25	243.75	Methodology for stream analysis
	11/14/2024	Howard, Natalie	1.75	131.25	Assessment Methods Prep
	11/18/2024	Howard, Natalie	4.50	337.50	Prepping for stream analysis and logger retrieval
	11/19/2024	Howard, Natalie	10.00	750.00	Logger retrieval event & culvert measurements
	11/20/2024	Howard, Natalie	6.00	450.00	Creek Assessment & Stream measurements
	11/21/2024	Howard, Natalie	3.25	243.75	Download data off all loggers, organize field sheets & equipment mgmt.
	11/22/2024	Howard, Natalie	0.25	18.75	Reviewing, mailing, and communicating data from rain gauge logger
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5a:</b>			<b>48.25</b>	<b>4,045.00</b>	

## Kieser & Associates, LLC

### Time by Job Detail

October through November 2024

Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024)	Date	Name	Duration	Cost	Notes
<b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5a.1 - Hydrology-Logger Maint+ 2 Visit (Direct Costs)</b>					
	11/19-11/20	Mileage		348.40	Mileage to/from Cedar Lake approx. 520 miles, 11/19/24-11/20/24
	11/20/2024	Holiday Inn		282.18	Holiday Inn 11/19-11/20/24 - (2 Rooms) N. Howard & J. Kieser
	11/19/2024	Fergie's Pizza		24.80	Travel Lunch - Josh Kieser & Natalie Howard, 11/19/24
	11/20/2024	GS Pizza & Deli		50.05	Travel Dinner - Josh Kieser & Natalie Howard, 11/20/24
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5a.1 (Direct Costs):</b>				<b>705.43</b>	
 <b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5b - Hydrology- Jones Ditch Analysis</b>					
	11/07/2024	Howard, Natalie	1.00	75.00	Discussing and prepping for upcoming tributary sampling
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5b:</b>			<b>1.00</b>	<b>75.00</b>	
 <b>Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5f-Hydrology- Annual Reporting</b>					
	10/20/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.25	50.00	Discussion of rain gauge demobilization
	11/18/2024	Kieser, Mark	0.50	100.00	Preliminary discussions around Jones Wetland connection improvements
<b>Total Cedar Lake Improvement Bd. (2024): Task 5f:</b>			<b>0.75</b>	<b>150.00</b>	
 <b>TOTAL: CEDAR LAKE IMPROVEMENT BD.:</b>			<b>59.75</b>	<b>6,322.93</b>	

Gs Pizzeria and Deli Oscoda  
 5226 US-23  
 Oscoda MI 48750  
 Phone: (989) 739-1133

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NATALIE

*Cedar Lake*

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     Roasted Garlic 2.25  
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 Full Mediterranean 12.00  
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 Italian Dressing

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 Tax 2.55  
 Total 45.05

Visa 6563 Payment 45.05

Tip 5.00

Total 50.05

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Thank You!!

*Cedar Lake*

FERGIE'S PIZZA  
 402 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
 STANDISH  
 MI  
 48658

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CUSTOMER COPY

# Receipt

Expedia itinerary: 7296\*\*\*\*\*

Purchase date: Nov 18, 2024

## Booking details

### Holiday Inn Express and Suites Oscoda, an IHG Hotel

114 N. LAKE STREET, Oscoda, MI, 48750 United States of America

Check-in: Nov 19, 2024

Check-out: Nov 20, 2024

1 room x 1 night

Standard Room, 1 King Bed

Booked for: Josh

## Payment details

### Room price

Tue, Nov 19 \$119.00

Taxes & Fees \$13.09

### Other

Hotel Booking Protection \$9.00

**Total \$141.09**

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[Visa 6563]

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