

**LBWID Planning Meeting FY-26-08**  
**(Approved)**

3/25/2026

**Attendees: Brenda Pierce, Jim Simonson, Alan Pisarski, Davis Grant, Jennifer Grant, Tim Cogswell**

**(Discussion topics)**

**LBWID Operations Director's Update**

LBWID equipment and boats have been serviced. New tires were installed on the John Deere back-hoe.

LBWID Office trailer/conference room upgrades, LBWID staff built new conference table and installed new 65" flatscreen tv for presentations.

LBWID security upgrades for compound are underway, this includes security camera upgrades and lock and key replacement/upgrades.

Replaced exhaust vent on compressor building, the exhaust fan removes heat from the aeration compressor room.

Initial Lake and beach cleanup for the spring/summer season started about 2 weeks ago. LBWID staff will assist community volunteers later in May with the annual beach clean-up event.

Spring in-house dredging program on Tripps Run side of the Lake will begin in early April.

Assisted Arlington County Fire Departments' swift water rescue team with training at Lake Barcroft.

LBA assistance (current and near future) includes:

- Order and delivery of leaf mulch for all beaches and Aqua Terrace entrance.

- Volunteer beach cleanup – date TBD.

- Spreading sand- date TBD.

- Community Garden spring-cleanup.

**LBWID Financial Update**

Reviewed FY-2026 July-February Income/Expense Statement, and no unanticipated variances were identified. The discussion included a review of Truist and Charles Schwab account balances.

**LBWID FY-2027 Budget**

NVS&WCD Board of Directors approved LBWID's FY-2027 Budget on February 24, 2026.

The Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board reviewed LBWID's FY-2027 proposed budget on March 20, 2026. The minutes of the meeting accepting the budget have since been posted. Once approved, we will receive a letter.

## **Transfer of ownership of Community Garden to LBA**

On February 18, 2026, LBA's membership voted in favor of LBA accepting ownership of LBWID's portion of the property (parcel A1) that in part makes up the Community Garden. At the LBA Board meeting on March 11, 2026, the LBA President signed the resolution authorizing the acquisition and acceptance of parcel A1. The LBA President and LBWID Board Chair are scheduled to sign the ownership transfer documents on April 21, 2026 (Cindy Waters will notarize the signatures).

Once the transfer documents are signed and notarized, they will be delivered to John McBride, so that he can have them recorded with Fairfax County's Land Records. John McBride will receive a copy of the following documents:

- The Deed of Gift
- Maintenance Agreement for three years
- LBWID Board Resolution
- LBA Board Resolution
- The results LBA's membership vote

The LBA President and LBWID Board Chair will also be signing the LBA/LBWID Invasive Species Mitigation and Affected Habitat Restoration Agreement.

## **East and West Dam Embankment Armoring Project**

### Engineering update

WRA has provided lab test results for geotechnical drilling and testing (bedrock and soil). WRA is now working to determine the needed height and thickness of the kick-wall that will run parallel to the concrete step armoring on the east and west embankments.

GKY is continuing to provide H&H modeling support to WRA as they develop the structural details for the project.

### Grants Funding

The DCR Dam Safety Grant ends at the end of 2026, the final reimbursement submittal (Quarterly Report) will need to be submitted by end of September 2026. This is because part of the grant is funded with Federal funds and the funds must be dispersed by December 31, 2026.

LBWID is still waiting to receive the final agreement/contract from FEMA for the HHPD grant. Due to the recent DHS/FEMA funding shutdown, it has been difficult to get updates regarding the status of this grant.

### Project Funding Campaign

LBWID is seeking \$2.95 million dollars of funding from Virginia to support the construction phase of the project. However, due to the General Assembly not agreeing on a finale biennial budget proposal during their regular session to submit to the Governor, they will now move to a special session that is slated to start on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. As it currently stands, the Senate has proposed to fund 100% of LBWID's request and the House has proposed to fulfill 50% of LBWID request. The Senate and House will now have to reconcile their proposals in the special session.

LBWID is working closely with Congressman Byer and his staff to pursue a \$1.5 million community project grant. A required element of the grant submittal is a Cost-Benefit-Analysis (CBA), which must be

performed using FEMA methodology. LBWID has tasked GKY to perform the CBA, which will cost approximately \$39,000. Having completed CBA will likely help with other grant opportunities in the future.

#### Project Expense Review

Reviewed the updated funding and expense report for the project. All funding and expenses are aligned with what has been expected.

#### Community outreach

The virtual Community Information Session that LBWID hosted on March 8, 2026, at 4:00pm went well, however, community attendance was lighter than expected. A recording of the presentation has been posted on LBWID's website.

LBWID met with the officials from the City of Alexandria on March 12, 2026, to provide them with an update on the project.

#### **Human Resources and Personnel**

The Trustees reviewed the 2026 Labor Force Evaluation and Recommendations Report prepared by the staff. After discussion, the LBWID Trustees voted to accept the report and its findings.

#### **LB Newsletter Articles**

February edition – New LBWID Contact Information

March – No Submission

April – LBWID FY-2027 Budget