

**ANNOUNCEMENT  
NEWMAN LAKE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT  
ADVISORY BOARD VACANCIES**

*The Newman Lake Flood Control Zone District (NLFCZD) is currently accepting applications to fill two current vacancies on the Advisory Board.*

**ABOUT THE DISTRICT:**

The NLFCZD was created on October 29, 1968. Its mission includes, but is not limited to:

- Maintaining Newman Lake flood control facilities and managing the level of the lake;
- Maintaining and improving the water quality of the lake;
- Minimizing the impact of watershed activities on water quality; and,
- Controlling invasive species in the lake.

The District is supervised by the Spokane County Board of County Commissioners and administered by the Spokane County Engineer.

The NLFCZD Advisory Board was created to provide opinion and input to the County Engineer and his staff on policy decisions, budget issues, project priorities, and other concerns.

**ABOUT THE ADVISORY BOARD:**

The Advisory Board (AB) consists of eight members: five voting members and three alternate non-voting members. The positions are typically retained for a term of four years. These are non-paid positions.

It is the policy of the NLFCZD to keep as much diverse perspective on the Advisory Board as possible. Accordingly, the positions on the Advisory Board are filled to represent different interests within the community, including: forestry and/or agriculture, seasonal and year-round lakefront residents, and a representative on a formal Newman Lake community group, such as a homeowner's association.

The Advisory Board meets at least four times per year. Advisory Board Members occasionally attend evening community meetings (and other events) to gather additional input from the lake community. Advisory Board Members may also voluntarily spend time researching issues,

providing ongoing input, and reviewing District projects, for example, outside of scheduled meeting times.

A majority of the voting members are to be assessment payers, with priority being given to assessment paying members. The appointment of more than one Advisory Board Member from the same family will be discouraged. No person shall be appointed to an Advisory Board position if fulfilling the appointment will extend the person’s total appointment time on the Advisory Board to more than eight (8) consecutive years.

Current advisory board members include:

Position	Name	Represents	Term* Expires
Position No. 1 (Voting)	VACANT	Forestry and Agriculture	2021
<b>Position No. 2 (Voting)</b>	<b>Dennis Rewinkel (Assessment Payer)</b>	<b>Seasonal, Lakefront</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Position No. 3 (Voting)</b>	<b>Karen Stebbins (Assessment Payer)</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>	<b>2020</b>
Position No. 4 (Voting)	Lorne Burley (Assessment Payer)	Year Round, Lakefront	2019
Position No. 5 (Voting)	Suzanne O’Connell (Assessment Payer)	No specific representation defined	2021
<b>Alt. Position No. 1 (Non-Voting)</b>	<b>Karen Lee Taff (Assessment Payer)</b>	<b>Year Round, Lakefront</b>	<b>2022</b>
Alt. Position No. 2 (Non-Voting)	VACANT	Year Round, Lakefront	2021
Alt. Position No. 3 (Non-Voting)	Wayne Smith (Non-Assessment Payer)	Year Round, Lakefront	2019

\*Term expires January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year listed. Bold positions indicate those that were recently filled during the November 2017 application and interview process.

### **ABOUT THE VACANCIES:**

The open Voting Position on the Advisory Board became vacant as of December 31, 2017, when AB Member, Eric Dahl, resigned; and the open Non-Voting Position became vacant upon Dennis Rewinkel’s appointment to a Voting Position on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, by Spokane County Board of County Commissioner’s Resolution. Both positions would typically have a term of four years. However, following past precedence, the Voting Position will fulfill the remainder of the prior term, and the Alternate Non-Voting will be extended two years beyond the current term. This will help to maintain the staggered term schedule, allowing for new perspective and diversity on the Advisory Board.

The first open position, as noted above, is Voting Position No. 1. This position is designated as a representative of the forestry and/or agriculture industry. Priority consideration will be given to applicants who are residents with a connection to forestry and/or agriculture. This position has three calendar years left in its term, and expires on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

The second open position, also as noted above, is Alternate (Non-Voting) Position No. 2. This position is intended to be a year-round, lakefront resident. Priority consideration will be given to applicants who are year-round lakefront residents. This position will be a three-year term (which is a two-year extension beyond the current term), and expires on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Candidates for both positions should have:

- A strong desire to represent the interests of the community and make Newman Lake a great place to live.
- The desire and ability to work on a team where members have diverse interests and opinions; the ability to remain open-minded, find consensus with others, and propose viable solutions.
- A willingness to actively seek input and opinions from other community members.
- Knowledge of the history and environment surrounding Newman Lake is a plus.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

If interested in applying for either of these vacancies, please complete a copy of the attached Advisory Board Membership Application and return to the address below. Applications need to be received no later than 3:00 PM on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Little at the e-mail address (preferred) or at the phone number noted below.

Applications will be reviewed by County staff and by current Advisory Board members, with recommendations forwarded to the County Commissioners for final approval.

We encourage anyone with an interest to apply.

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