

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

*The Newman Lake Flood Control Zone District (NLFCZD) is currently accepting applications to fill **three** 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)	Lee Tate (Assessment Payer)	Forestry and Agriculture	2021
Position No. 2 (Voting)	Dennis Rewinkel (Assessment Payer)	Seasonal, Lakefront	2022
Position No. 3 (Voting)	Karen Stebbins (Assessment Payer)	Community Representative	2020
Position No. 4 (Voting)	VACANT	Seasonal Resident	2022
Position No. 5 (Voting)	Suzanne O'Connell (Assessment Payer)	No specific representation defined	2021
Alt. Position No. 1 (Non-Voting)	Karen Lee Taff (Assessment Payer)	Year Round, Lakefront	2022
Alt. Position No. 2 (Non-Voting)	VACANT	No specific representation defined	2021
Alt. Position No. 3 (Non-Voting)	VACANT	No specific representation defined	2020

*Term expires January 1st of the year listed.

ABOUT THE VACANCIES:

One of the two open Alternate Positions (Non-Voting) on the Advisory Board became vacant on December 31, 2017, when Dennis Rewinkel moved from an Alternate Position (Non-Voting) to a Voting Position. Dennis's vacated Alternate Position (Non-Voting) was advertised in January and February, but no applications were received. And then most recently, Wayne Smith resigned from his Alternate Position (Non-Voting) due to personal reasons.

Both of those positions would typically have a term of four years. However, following past precedence to keep the term lengths staggered, Alternate Position No. 2 will expire in 2021, which is the remaining term of Dennis's prior position, and Alternate Position No. 3 will expire in 2020, which is one year beyond the remaining term of Wayne Smith's position. This will help maintain diversity in the Advisory Board make-up.

Alternate (Non-Voting) Positions do not have designated representations allocated for each position. The Policy and Procedures Manual states that any of the Voting Position representation descriptions is acceptable, i.e. Forestry/Agriculture, Seasonal/Lakefront, Community Representative, and Year-Round/Lakefront, with an emphasis and keeping the overall make-up of the Advisory Board diverse.

The last open Advisory Board position is Voting Position No. 4. This position was held, and vacated by, Lorne Burley, who is resigning also for personal reasons. His position was set to expire in January of 2019. To respect the time spent on applying, interviewing, and filling the position, the term has been extended and will expire in 2022. This again keeps the diversity of

the Advisory Board by staggering position terms. Voting Position No. 4, per the NLFCZD Policy and Procedures Manual, stipulates that preference for this position will be given to a Seasonal Resident, again for diversity. However, all candidates and associated lake and community representation will be considered.

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 Friday, April 20th, 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, interviews performed if deemed necessary by staff and AB, with final recommendations forwarded to the County Commissioners for final approval.

We encourage anyone with an interest to apply.

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