



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL  
MINUTES of February 17, 2015

APPROVAL DATE: March 17, 2015

**1. CALL TO ORDER** The February meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was convened by Chair Jane Harper at 7:00 pm. Upstairs conference room

**2. ROLL CALL** Present were: Chair Jane Harper, Vice Chair Bryan DeSmet, Directors Mike Parenteau, Gene Altstatt, George St. Germain, Suzanne Donnell, Scott Costello. A quorum was present. Recording Secretary was Julie Yoho. Absent were: Diane Longville, Mark Ganz, Pat McCann.

**3. AGENDA**

*MOTION #1 (Parenteau/Altstatt) Move to approve agenda. All aye, passed.*

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION #2 (St Germain/Parenteau) Move to approve minutes with change in motion 14 striking the extra "St Germain". All Aye, Passed*

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

none

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

6a. Nomination and election of board officers for 2015

Open for additional nominations. No additional nominations

*MOTION #3 (Parenteau/Donnell) Move to close nominations. All aye passed.*

*MOTION #4 (Parenteau/St Germain) Move to approve the slate of Jane Harper for Chair; Bryan DeSmet Vice Chair; Diane Longville Treasurer; unanimously. All aye passed.*

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

none

**8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**

**8a. Lake Level Resolution Committee**

No new report

**8b. Lake Quality Committee**

Grants submitted to DNR for watercraft inspections.

Harper – are we going to increase the amount for inspections?

Costello – deadline was Feb 6, counties could not respond that quickly, Ramsey still does not have a process in place.

Parenteau – could budget more for next year or deficit spend. We have DNR grant money secured, \$3000 of our money is budgeted for this year.

Harper – counties have money for AIS programs, Scott looked into if we could get any additional from them. Timing did not work out

### **8c. Lake Utilization Committee**

St Germain reviewed application and recommends approval.

***Motion #5 (St Germain/Donnell) Move to approve Docks of White Bear Lake 2015 dock permit. All aye, passed.***

### **8d. Lake Education Committee**

Scott has been looking into grant opportunities, they are always 50/50 match.

Gene provided a handout of website activity, up from last year

Consider adding event calendar of lake events, can be added to website. List from permits approved.

Costello – looking into developing a brochure/handout re: zebra mussels

Parenteau – question has come up on what you do when you find them, doesn't seem to be an official answer. How to dispose of

Harper – could include as an article in city newsletters

Lake clean up at Bellaire beach 10 am March 7. Bags provided. At Noon the VFW will be serving lunch.

### **8e. Treasurer's Report**

***MOTION #6 (Harper/Parenteau) Move to approve Treasurers report for February and pay checks 4276 – 4280. All aye passed.***

Wirebuilt was missing 2 payments for 2014 – lost in mail. Tonight getting new check issued to pay

### **8f. Board Counsel Report**

none

### **8g. Administrative Staff Report**

Items included in packet this month:

- Agenda
- Jan draft minutes
- Dock Applications – 1

## **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

***MOTION # 7 (Parenteau/Donnell) Move to approve. All aye, passed***

## **10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Harper – I'm on the DNR advisory team for groundwater management. There was a meeting in Shoreview last week for city staff. Tomorrow at 6:30pm at Century College is a public meeting. Comments on the DNR Groundwater Management Plan will be accepted until March 31. The goal is sustainable use that does not harm. Hope to have the plan approved in May. Focus of the plan is on the DNR permit process.

Donnell – 3 months left in term on Board. City of Birchwood is looking for replacement representative

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

***MOTION # 8 (St Germain/ Donnell) Move to adjourn. All aye passed.***

7:45 pm meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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Administrative Secretary

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Date

APPROVED:

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Board Chairperson

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Date