



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL  
MINUTES of February 19, 2008

APPROVAL DATE: 3/18/08

**1. CALL TO ORDER** The February meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was convened by vice chair Luke Michaud at 7:05.

**2. ROLL CALL** Present were: Vice Chair Luke Michaud, Directors Greg Donovan, George St. Germain, Thomas Hoffman, Tom Alvarez, John Steinworth, Sue Cernohous, Diane Longville. A quorum was present. Recording secretary was Julie Yoho.

**3. AGENDA**

***MOTION # 1 (Hoffman/St Germain) Move to approve agenda. All aye, PASSED.***

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

***MOTION # 2 (Hoffman/Cernohous) Move to approve minutes of January with one clarification. All Aye, PASSED***

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

none

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

6a. Nomination of officers. No additional nominations.

***MOTION #3 (Michaud/Donovan) Move to approve and vote the slate of Tom Hoffman for Chair, Luke Michaud for Vice Chair, Diane Longville for Secretary/Treasurer. All aye, PASSED.***

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

none

**8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**

**8a. Lake Quality Committee**

none

**8b. Lake Utilization Committee**

8b1, 2, 3. Permit applications.

***MOTION # 4 (St. Germain/Hoffman) Move to approve the 2008 racing schedules for the White Bear Yacht Club & Black Bear Racing; and approve permit and waive fee for WBLCD clean-up event. All Aye, PASSED.***

8b4. Docks of WBL. Application is tabled. EAW would need to be done prior to any expansion. Committee recommends they resubmit w/no change for March review.

8b5. Pete Sampair. Former Drs. Inc/Hospital Health Plan site.

***MOTION #5 (Michaud/St. Germain) Move to approve permit for Pete Sampair. Friendly amendment – the four tie-ons need to be signed “no fee/open to public”.***

Discussion

Steinworth – is this new dock?

Michaud – no change to site, they weren't aware they needed app. Site has been used before with 4 slips and 4 tie offs for transient use by public. 4 years with no permit.

***Vote***

***All aye, PASSED***

8b6. Veterans Park fishing pier

***MOTION #6 (St Germain/Cernohous) Move to approve permit for Veterans Pier and waive fee. All aye, PASSED.***

8b7. Matoska Park – tabled until march. No diagram. Storage rack fee waived for this year.

8b8. East Shore Dock Association. no change

***MOTION #7 (Donovan/St Germain) Move to approve East Shore application. All aye, PASSED.***

8b9. Forest Heights, no change. Comments received from neighbors.

***MOTION #8 (Donovan/St. Germain) Move to approve Forest Heights application.***

Discussion

John Devney, neighbor to south

Feels permit violates Ordinance 5 as he cited in his letter – this is not a public service, this is private association, only 10 members have boats.

Some of their own members don't have access, seems to be exclusive group

Low water levels made some boats on lifts over dry land – very much an eyesore

Dave Ludwigson, to south of dock  
Property value adversely affected when buyers see the Forest Heights dock

John W., Forest Heights Association  
Have had this configuration for 3 years.

St Germain - Dock is angled to north due to crowding to south

Deveny - Site went from no boats, mid 90s a few boats. In 2004 11 boats with no permit.

Steinworth – is there room for 10 boats? Navigable?

Michaud - 75' of shore line. Water level doesn't change what we permit for. No extra length is allowed. Self regulating

***MOTION Vote***

***1 no (Steinworth), 7 Aye, PASSED.***

**8c. Lake Education Committee report**

lake clean up march 8, same as last year. Need to finalize who will be stationed where. Meet for lunch afterwards.

Ice out contest will again be posted on website

Hoffman will be gone in March.

**8d. Treasurers report**

***MOTION # 10 (Diane/St. Germain) Move to pay checks 3818 - 3820. All aye, PASSED.***

Year 2007 end financial reports will be sent to cities.

**8e. Board Counsel report**

none

**8f. Administrative staff report**

no report

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

***MOTION # 11 (St. Germain/Cernohous) Move to approve consent agenda. All aye, PASSED.***

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michaud – would like to check with Minnetonka/LMCD and see their AUDA regulations. Was surprised at vote last month, feels it encroaches on other AUDA.

St. Germain – AUDA is still open for navigation. AUDA is place to put in a dock without a permit - not property rights. .

Hoffman – temporary permit, feels it was explained.

Steinworth – fear of liability is real, as we’re forcing them in other’s AUDA.

Kantrud – Board can deal with these on case by case basis. If problem comes up, Board will review and be proactive. Reduces liability issue.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

***MOTION # 12 (Hoffman/St Germain) Move to adjourn. All Aye, PASSED.***

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm

ATTEST:

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Administrative Secretary

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Date

APPROVED:

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Board Chairperson

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Date