



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL
MINUTES of May 17, 2011

APPROVAL DATE: 6/21/11

1. CALL TO ORDER The May meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was convened by Chair Mike Stawnychy at 7:05pm

2. ROLL CALL Present were: Chair Mike Stawnychy, Vice Chair Luke Michaud, Treasurer Diane Longville, Directors George St. Germain, Yale Norwick, Mike Parenteau, Kevin Powers. A quorum was present. Absent were: Debbie Harrod, Sue Cernohous (not excused). Recording secretary was Julie Yoho.

3. AGENDA

Add item: USGS reports 6

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION #2 (Michaud/Parenteau) *Move to approve minutes of April. All aye, passed.*

5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Brian McGoldrick, Docks of WB.

Worked with Luke & Yale to get docks in. Would like to know status of insurance from Tally's.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6a. New Board member from WB Township Kevin Powers
Table LEC Chair appointment until next meeting.

6b. USGS report update

In progress, should get quarterly reports. Written report will be coming to office.

Norwick – LQC should be involved in

Stawnychy – sub committee

Norwick – would be helpful to have extra meeting to review reports

Parenteau – They are planning to use a submersible to read water temp

St Germain – WBL HOA is paying for extra readings. This is above and beyond original amount pledged.

Norwick – city of Mahtomedi wants to see how funds are being handled.

Kantrud – is setting up fiscal agent agreements. Unknown how to set up internally to track funds – perhaps as special project fund...
Norwick – is there anything in writing?
Kantrud – will be for tracking purposes.
St Germain – separate budget
Kantrud – I’m not an accountant, but may not be best practice to put into our budget.
Parenteau – up to Diane, could create accounts in 5000
Kantrud – ask auditor. Would not call income
Norwick – need to authorize separate account?
Kantrud – if so, can do next month
Parenteau – funds not due until sept.
Michaud – Can we have Perry to present at a meeting?

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

none

8. Reports/Action Items

8a. Lake Quality Committee

1. Grant update. EWM was applied for early. Should be 10k but final total is a moving target
2. Survey – DNR will be doing
3. Contractor bids for EWM treatment.

MOTION # 3 (Norwick/ St. Germain) Move to authorize Mike to request proposals from contractors for EWM treatment.

Discussion

Michaud – how is cost estimated?

Parenteau – per acre. What if we have hot weather and we have to commit prior to next meeting?

Michaud – June 21 is next meeting.

St Germain – think it will be later due to cold, emergency meeting could be called if needed.

Vote.

All aye, passed.

4. temp. 49 degrees, 2009 May was 62 no reading in 2010
5. lake level 920.35. 1” higher than last may. 3” higher than last month
6. Swimmers itch. Annual letter should go out
7. June 7 next mtg.

8b. Lake Utilization Committee

1. WB Lions Club pickle bucket boat race

MOTION # 4 (Michaud/St Germain) Move to approve. All aye, passed.

2. Sampair Co. Inc. dock application. Application for 6 boats at slips, 4 tie on for restaurant. With low water level, 2 slips are only available as tie on.

MOTION # 5 (Michaud/St Germain) Move to approve. All aye, passed.

8c. Lake Education Committee

Kevin may be interested. Table until next month

8d. Treasurers report

MOTION # 6 (Longville/St. Germain) Move to accept and pay checks 4039 - 4043. All aye, passed.

8d2. 2012 Budget. Draft budget. Has to be approved at next months meeting.

Michaud – Estimate LUC income down to 10 – 15k for dock fees due to less slips because of water levels. Need to apply standard equally on lake. Better option for predictable revenue stream is to assess cities more. Milfoil is still out there. We moved to depend so heavily on slip income... need to raise assessment to cities like we were originally funded.

Norwick – could take some out of law enforcement also

Michaud – with new switch I feel we should keep funds there to be sure we're covered.

Norwick – did that last year already. At some point we should not pay for what the rest of the state gets for free.

St Germain – does Ramsey Co agree? Original issue was that they were not on lake enough.

Stawnychy – less traffic on lake now.

St Germain – There is no increase to cities in this draft

Michaud – agree, have to apply rules equally. Charge to cities.

Norwick – As background information on this, one of cities has challenged our authority to charge for slips. Currently a legal mess. Board feel like all applicants should be treated the same.

Longville – what about water patrol?

Norwick – feel buoy placement should be done by sheriff too. There is room for less in that budget.

Michaud – would like to leave 1 more year.

Norwick – ok with that. We have transitioned nicely. Could go either way.

Parenteau – On Minnetonka, Hennepin Co gets revenue from patrolling that lake

Norwick – do not pay for all.

Stawnychy – see if you can get any more info on numbers for next month.

Parenteau – city has indicated they would ok future increase in enforcement if needed.

Stawnychy – would like to not charge city for slip fee for the water patrol boat

MOTION # 7 (Michaud / Norwick) Move to apply \$50 slip fee for sheriff boat at city marina to credit outstanding balance. All aye, passed. (Julie will notify)

Parenteau – will have better budget numbers for LQC items prior to next meeting.

St Germain – reminder of lake use studies. They are expensive, we have put off for now, but at some point will need to do again.
Stawnychy – don't see where else to cut.

8e. Board Counsel Report

not much activity on lake

Kantrud - Regarding water patrol, we should get coverage from both counties. In defense of Ramsey county, they patrol many small areas, tough to pinpoint exact time spent at various locations, although I agree they should have some idea

Michaud – should we have agreement with Wa co?

Kantrud – obligation for them to patrol exist if WBLCD is here or not.

Agreement is supplemental to obligations.

Michaud – above and beyond.

Kantrud – likely not needed. Not operating independently...

St Germain – who should we call for problems?

Norwick – call from where you live.

Kantrud – on lake both have jurisdiction, so you can contact either. On land use local contact.

8f. Administrative Staff Report

Items included in packet this month:

- Agenda
- April draft minutes
- Dock applications - 1
- Permit applications – 1

9. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION # 8 (Michaud/St Germain) Move to approve. All aye, passed.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION # 9 (Stawnychy/St Germain) Move to adjourn. All aye, passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

ATTEST:

Administrative Secretary

Date

APPROVED:

Board Chairperson

Date