



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL  
MINUTES of October 15, 2013

APPROVAL DATE: November 19, 2013

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

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

Welcome to new Director Gene Altstatt from Mahtomedi.

**3. AGENDA**

Ganz – add item 8c6 “Bearly Open” event permit application.

**MOTION # 1 (St Germain/Donnell)** *Move to approve agenda with addition above. All aye, passed.*

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION #2 (Altstatt/St Germain)** *Move to approve minutes of September. All aye passed.*

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

none

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

none

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

none

**8. Reports/Action Items**

**8a. Lake Level Resolution Committee**

DeSmet – the LLRC is meeting monthly. The DNR is continuing to meet with stakeholders for the Groundwater Management Area. Jane will attend meetings and report back. Met council is choosing firm for study. City of White Bear Lake’s window to use the other well in the Mt Simon aquifer has passed, perhaps they will consider next year.

Harper – summary of DNR work on GMA planning (handout). Main goal is to manage the risk and improve the way they make decisions regarding groundwater. Meet on

monthly basis. Project updates will be available also. Paul Putzier is key contact. Working boundary for GMA includes WA, Ramsey, and part of Anoka counties. Link to DNR's website for info.

St Germain – this is large in scope. Is there any action that is zeroed in on White Bear? DeSmet – USGS study drew connection between lake & aquifer. DNR has ability to control level of appropriation given to communities. Through planning process if they confirm there is impact to lake level due to use of aquifer, they will work with communities on water appropriation. Reality is this is complex problem and it will take a while to get a good program in place and see impact. In meantime we can encourage conservation.

Harper – There are 2 statutes that govern the use of ground water. This is a 1 year process, everything is up for review.

### **8b. Lake Quality Committee**

Water temp 60 degrees

Lake level 919.86

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

2014 Dock applications – no change

8c1. Chateauguet Condo Assoc. Same as last year.

***MOTION #3 (Ganz/St Germain) Move to approve 2014 Chateauguet dock application. All aye, passed.***

8c2. Wildwood beach condos.

***MOTION #4 (Ganz/St Germain) Move to approve 2014 Wildwood dock application. All aye, passed.***

8c3. Snyder's Bay Beach Club

***MOTION #5 (Ganz/St Germain) Move to approve Snyder's Bay 2014 dock application. All aye, passed.***

8c4. Bob Broen

***MOTION #6 (Ganz/st Germain) Move to approve Broen 2014 dock application. All aye, passed.***

Event permits

8c5. 2014 Polar Plunge. This event has been held for 16 years and has raised \$1.5 million to date.

***MOTION #7 (Ganz/st Germain) Move to approve event permit with contingencies: Sign application and provide insurance prior to event. All aye, passed.***

8c6. Bearly Open frozen golf - Proceeds to food shelf.

***MOTION #8 (Ganz/St Germain) Move to approve Bearly Open permit. All aye, passed.***

Harper – no change from past events?

St Germain – no change. This event does a nice job setting up and cleaning up

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

none

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

**MOTION #9 (Longville/Ganz) Move to approve treasurers report and pay checks 4197 – 4202. All aye, passed.**

**MOTION #10 (Longville/st Germain) Move to sign the waiver form with “does not waive” box checked.**

Longville – we do this annually

Kantrud – we are insured by League of MN cities. We do not waive limits. For liability limits you are considered a city. This is an internal control document for LMC.

**All aye, passed.**

**8f. Board Counsel Report**

Not much activity this past month.

Welcome to the new member.

**8g. Administrative Staff Report**

Items included in packet this month:

- Agenda
- Draft meeting minutes
- Finance report
- Dock applications
- Event permit applications

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**10. ANNOUNCEMENT**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION #12 (Altstatt/St Germain) Move to adjourn. All aye, passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm

ATTEST:

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Administrative Secretary

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Date

APPROVED:

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Board Chairperson

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Date