



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL  
MINUTES OF **March 20, 2018**

APPROVAL DATE: **APPROVED With Corrections 4/17/18**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** The March 20, 2018 meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was called to order by Chair Bryan DeSmet at 7:00 pm in the White Bear Lake City Hall Council Chambers.

**2. ROLL CALL** Present were: Chair Bryan DeSmet, Vice Chair Mark Ganz; Directors: Mike Parenteau, Scott Costello, Susie Mahoney and Barton Winter; absent were Secretary/Treasurer Diane Longville, Directors Brady Ramsay, Marty Rathmanner and Geoff Ratte A quorum was present.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** -Chairperson DeSmet asked for any changes to tonight's agenda None - motion/second passed.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF – February 20, 2018 Board Meeting**  
Motion (Ganz/Costello) Moved to approve with corrections all aye passed.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

Bryan McGoldrick 36 Moonlight Bay provided information on current legislation in regards to White Bear Lake.

Susan Mahoney 479 Lake Ave, questioning the validity of the document submitted by the Harrod's and feels it is not what the board requested of them. She moves that the Harrod's not be able to put their dock in until the board receives a certified copy of the document requested. Chair Bryan DeSmet tabled the discussion and asked to have it added to next month's agenda.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Chair Bryan DeSmet has appointed new committee chairs. Will provide Kim a listing of each Chair and committee members.

**8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS**

**Executive Committee**

- ~~Assessment amounts to the 5 lake communities was reviewed after receiving letters from City of White Bear Lake and City of Birchwood asking the board to review the fund balance as it was in excess of the Board Policy. After review Motion by Chair Bryan DeSmet second Mike Parenteau to resend all assessments for the 2018 year only in order to get the fund balance in compliance with the~~

~~written policy and guidelines. All assessments will resume 2019. Vote all aye Passed.~~ REVISED:

Last year the board passed a policy to identify what would be an acceptable fund balance. After all bills had been paid at the end of 2017 we realized we had an excess amount of the policy set of 150%-200% of our budget as a fund balance and therefore, needed to get in compliance with our set policy. Motion (Parenteau/Ganz) to bring the fund balance in compliance with our policy by rescinding the 5 community's allocation of assessments for the 2018 year only. All assessments will resume 2019. Vote all aye Passed.

- Attorney compensation – Executive Committee discussed increase. Motion (DeSmet/Ganz) to change attorney fee effective April 1, 2018 to a retainer basis of \$1,000 per month. Vote all aye Passed.

#### **9. Lake Level Resolution Committee**

Inactive

#### **10. Lake Quality Committee – Mike Parenteau**

- Time to look at invasive species asking applicators or bids.

#### **11. Lake Utilization Committee – Mark Ganz & George St. Germain reviewed applications at Lake Utilization meeting.**

- Multiple Docks License (all below motioned Ganz, seconded and passed)
  - Docks of White Bear– Approved
  - Tally's - Approved
  - Black Bear Yacht Racing Assoc. – Approved
  - White Bear Yacht Club - Approved

#### **12. Lake Education – Scott Costello**

- Clean up program with Boy Scouts went very well.
- Traffic down on website visits but updating and adding Facebook should help increase traffic.

#### **13. Treasurer's Report**

Motion (DeSmet/Parenteau) approval of March 2018 Treasurer's report and payment of check numbers 4477- 4481. All aye passed.

#### **14. Board Counsel**

Nothing to report. Keeping an eye on bill and law suit on lake.

#### **15. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion (DeSmet/Parenteau) Move to accept the consent agenda All Aye. Passed

#### **16. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

#### **17. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion (DeSmet/Ganz) MOVE TO ADJOURN all aye passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm

ATTEST:

Kim Johnson \_\_\_\_\_  
Administrative Secretary, WBLCD

3/20/18  
Date

APPROVED:

Bryan DeSmet \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Chairperson

3/20/18  
Date