



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL
MINUTES of September 15, 2015

APPROVAL DATE: 10/20/15

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

2. ROLL CALL Present were: Chair Jane Harper, Vice Chair Bryan DeSmet, Treasurer Diane Longville, Directors Mike Parenteau, Gene Altstatt, George St. Germain, Mark Ganz, Scott Costello, Susie Mahoney. A quorum was present. Absent was Pat McCann.

3. AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION #2 (Parenteau/Ganz) Move to approve minutes of July. All aye passed

5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

none

6. NEW BUSINESS

6a. Zebra Mussel Monitoring Project, Mike Verhoeven MN DNR
Mike provided an overview of the zebra mussel population in WBL since their discovery in 2014. The DNR has an ongoing monitoring project to see how the population changes. Part of the project is to look at boat lifts during fall removal. The DNR is asking for help from the public – a form with instructions will be posted on the WBLCD.org website. Asking that people fill out and submit what they find when their boat lifts are pulled out. The WB Press will also be asked to run the information in the paper.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

none

8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

8a. Lake Level Resolution Committee

8a1. Marketfest summary & donation
WBLCD had a booth 4 nights of Marketfest this year. Again this year we were able to do a drawing with a grand prize of a dual flush toilet.

MOTION # 3 (DeSmet/Parenteau) Move to have a resolution of the board to accept gift and donation of dual flush toilet from Fergusson and installation from Paul the Plumber as per MN Statute 465.03. All aye, passed.

Thank you letters will be sent. Also special thanks to Janice Hallman for all her work with Marketfest this year.

8a2. Protected lake level document

Draft was sent in packets. Please review and send any comments to Bryan in the next couple weeks. Would like to have final document for the October meeting. Intent is to encourage the DNR to include recreational uses in their analysis of establishing a water level.

Harper – be sure the content is factual rather than anecdotal

8a3. Climate Stations

3 are in place this year. Data is being forwarded to USGS and will be collected through October. Evaporation rates will be determined.

8b. Lake Quality Committee

8b1. Water level 921.26; 6” lower than in July. Last September it was 4” higher. 5.14” of rain since July.

8b2. Water temp: 69 degrees

8b3. EWM A couple areas needed re-treatment but the applicator was unable to get back out. Will receive credit for approximately 3 acres for next year.

Steve McComas will come to our October meeting to report on milfoil

Grant money has changed for next year according to the DNR; a 70% decrease in funding

8c. Lake Utilization Committee

8c1. WBYC Sherriff boat request

MOTION # 4 (Ganz/St. Germain) Move to spend \$125 this year, \$250 next year to cover expense of having boat lift removed / put in for the WA County Sherriff patrol boat.

Discussion

Ganz – Patrol boat is at the yacht club, WBLCD paid for the dock, a member has donated the lift. Expense is for having the lift removed and put in by the service.

Motion vote, All aye, passed.

8d. Lake Education Committee

Website averages 1000 hits per month

8e. Joint powers task group

Friends of WBL group is planning to lobby for augmentation project. WBLCD would be fiscal agent. Also looking at authorizing legislation amendment with Alan that would allow WBLCD to work on water quantity issues. Still working with cities to organize a meeting, looking at end of October.

8f. Treasurer’s Report

MOTION # 5 (Longville/Parenteau) Move to approve Treasurers report for August and pay checks 4303 - 4310. All aye passed.

MOTION #6 (Longville/Parenteau) Move to approve Treasurers report for September and pay checks 4311 – 4314. All aye, passed.

MOTION #7 (Longville/Parenteau) Move to complete the Waiver of Statutory Limit form, marking “Do Not Waive”. All aye, passed.

8f. Board Counsel Report

Only 1 BWI on lake

8g. Administrative Staff Report

Items included in packet this month:

- Agenda
- July draft minutes
- Liability Coverage Waiver Form
- Protected Elevation Document draft

9. CONSENT AGENDA

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

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

11. ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

ATTEST:

Administrative Secretary

Date

APPROVED:

Board Chairperson

Date