



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE BEAR LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
7:00 P.M. WHITE BEAR CITY HALL
MINUTES of October 16, 2007

APPROVAL DATE: 11/20/07

1. CALL TO ORDER The October meeting of the White Bear Lake Conservation District was convened by Chair Gary Cox at 7:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL Present were: Chair Gary Cox, Vice Chair Luke Michaud, Secretary/Treasurer Diane Longville, Directors Greg Donovan, George St. Germain, Mike Parenteau, Thomas Hoffman, John Steinworth, Scott St. Martin. Absent was Tom Alvarez (excused). A quorum was present. Recording secretary was Julie Yoho.

3. AGENDA

MOTION # 1 (Parenteau/Michaud) Move to approve agenda. All Aye, PASSED.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION #2 (Parenteau/Michaud) Move to approve minutes of September. All Aye, PASSED.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Yale Norwick, Mahtomedi

- Presented handouts to board regarding an easement dispute with neighbors (Hagstrom).
- WBLCD says he needs Hagstroms permission as landowner to keep boat at his easement he's had for 14 yrs
- dispute over easement vs owner, lake access vs dock

Jim Simney Birchwood

- Concern over fee increase. Questioning board authority to increase user fees – cant find in statutes

6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6a. Anna Kerr, MN PCA
storm water program, municipal storm water program

Gave overview of her program and how the permit process works within PCA.
-They issue permits to municipalities to regulate their storm water discharge programs
-Impaired water list for 2008 has White Bear Lake on it. Triggers study total maximum daily load study. Then PCA can regulate that municipalities stay within numerical limit.
-MS4 plans are up for public review now

6b. Fee Schedule Resolution

MOTION #3 (Michaud/Hoffman) Move to approve resolution #2-07.

Discussion

Michaud – new fee schedule is an effort to move to user based fees rather than general taxation. Fees have not been raised since 1996. Directed by 2008 budget.

MOTION #3 Vote

All Aye, PASSED.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

none

8. REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

8a. Lake Quality Committee

8a1. Lake level today 922.1. . 5” higher than last month

8b. Lake Utilization Committee

8b. no action items

General discussion over easements and pressures that are growing around the lake. LMCD has strict rules regarding the amount of frontage that is needed before a dock can be placed. WBL lags behind Minnetonka, but the time is coming that WBLCD may have to be similar. WBLCD can't interpret easements, they need to be decided in court if they're not clear cut.

8c. Lake Education Committee report

let Tom know of any speaker requests

8d. Treasurers report

MOTION # 4 (Longville/St. Germain) Move to approve October Treasurers report and pay checks 3785 – 3793 All aye, PASSED.

MOTION #5 (Michaud/Steinworth) Move to spend up to \$125 to purchase an external hard drive for the office. All aye, PASSED.

8e. Board Counsel report

no report

8f. Administrative staff report

MOTION #6 (Michaud/St. Martin) Move to approve meeting schedule for 2008. All Aye, PASSED.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION #7 (Cox/St Germain) Move to approve consent agenda. All Aye, PASSED.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #8 (Donovan/Hoffman) Move to adjourn. All Aye, PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Administrative Secretary

Date

APPROVED:

Board Chairperson

Date