

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
January 27, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp , J. Bellante, K. Aron and 4 citizens.

Excused:

J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

R. Mohr moved to approve minutes as corrected, second by R. Schopp, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. R. Schopp moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented, 2nd by J. Bellante, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

Bob Konowalski, chair of Waubeesee Lake District, passed away this month. He was extremely dedicated to Waubeesee Lake and will be hard to replace. He will be missed.

Tom and Elenor Eberhardt, owners of Sweetwater Technology, died in a plane crash in Minnesota in late December. The Eberhardts conducted our first alum treatment and were very dedicated to improving lakes. They too will be missed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

The issue of compensation for a dam operator needs to be resolved – and whether its for 3 or 4 quarters of the year. The USGS gages for NDDD have not been installed. There is no word on the final plans and specs for the NDDD.

K. Aron will send a letter to the Town asking to be on the agenda to discuss the Transfer site and using it long term. This will be important to have in place prior to any equipment acquisition.

K. Aron presented a draft budget for a harvesting program on Wind Lake. Realistically, we are looking at a 2012-2013 plan to consider buying equipment. Two factors influence timing: 1) we need to see how effective our increased harvesting times are; and 2) property owners will not want to see higher charges at the next annual meeting when they will just have gotten the charges for the alum treatment.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed doing a newsletter to let everyone know about the increased charges and the alum treatment costs. A newsletter needs to go out soon for the chemical treatment and goose removal. K. Aron will put together a draft for the next meeting to include info on the alum treatment and to encourage early payments.

There is a meeting coming up of the work group with Big Muskego. DNR took it upon themselves to personally call "all the board members" and invite them to the meeting. They did not call J. Marks, and did not let J. Marks or K. Aron know that this was being done. It is not up to DNR to decide who should represent the District at meetings. The chain of command is that all correspondence and contacts is supposed to come through K. Aron and the official office. The meeting will have to be posted since a quorum may be present at the meeting. DNR also invited NDDD to the meeting. This sets a dangerous precedence that gives credibility to NDDD's claim that they are entitled to have a say in our lake levels. It was decided that we will attend the meeting, and that K. Aron will notify DNR of the formal chain of command to prevent this from happening again. K. Aron is to contact our engineer to ensure his attendance.

K. Aron provided a recent stats on our website. She was also asked to get the most recent fish stocking numbers to include on the site.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for February 24, 2011.