Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Jan 24, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, M. Benish, C. Kintop, J. Bellante, K. Aron, 1 citizen

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

- J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.
- R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

A meeting was held Jan 22 with Big Muskego, DNR, and City of Muskego. J. Marks, K Aron and N. O'Reilly (engineer) attended for Wind Lake. Additional investigation is being done on the use of "bags" to pump the Big Muskego discharge into to collect sediment. N. O'Reilly will work with the DNR engineer and the City of Muskego to protect Wind Lake's interests.

The aquatic plant plan portion of the lake plan was distributed to the board members who were asked to review the plan for any changes. DNR has been provided a copy for review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

OLD BUSINESS

The town will discuss the emergency action plan for high water. WLMD will pay for signs to notify public when slow no wake conditions are ordered.

K. Aron updated the board on the Hydrilla conference in February. K. Aron also provided a budget summary and a summary of the Paypal account. This process may be able to be used for annual bill payments.

The next town newsletter deadline is coming up. K. Aron will provide an article to the town.

NEW BUSINESS

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Feb 28, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting April 24, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, K. Aron and P. Traskowski. M. Benish, C. Kintop and 6 citizens.

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

- c. Kintop moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.
- R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. C. Kintop moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by J. Marks, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

J. Marks indicated there are 12 new wardens to increase patrol of plants on trailers.

The aquatic plant plan portion of the lake plan had been approved by DNR, and minor modifications have been made to include exotic species reaction plan

No further action by the Town to date on the emergency action plan.\\

J. Marks attended Lake Convention sessions on Early Detection and Rapid Response to Exotics, Lake Grants-How to Get and How to Use, Citizen Perceptions and Reactions to Invasive Species, Shoreland Zoning, and VHS. R Mohr attended sessions the Lake Mich Pact, East Troy Deep Wells, and Mapping. K Aron attended another DNR Grant session, Mapping Tools, and Pier Rules sessions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Questions regarding the cattails coming down from Muskego, and the districts' response were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

Hydrilla Conference – K. Aron provided the budget on the conference to date. The conference DVDs are now available. Once the last check has been cashed, then the state grant funds can be finalized. The discussion included thinking about doing another one next year.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the recent problem with the cattail bogs coming downstream from Muskego. The Town allowed the District to dump cattails at the Transfer site, but had no staff available to assist. Sportsmans allowed the District to tow the material to their ramp and remove them there. Tanks to Sporstmans because without their cooperation, the District would not have been able to remove the cattail bogs. The City of Muskego had a full crew removing up to 30 trucks a day from upstream. The board had approved spending up to \$3000 to hire someone to remove the cattails. Hiring someone proved difficult, but eventually a crew was hired and removed 2-1/2 days worth of material. They estimate that another 2 or 3 days will be needed to complete the project. C. Kintop moved to approve another \$3000 to complete the job. 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

The next Town newsletter will be going out soon. A topic that we can provide is a discussion of what a district can or cannot do about weeds and other conditions on the lakes.

Initial discussions of next years budget took place, including the possibility of raising the special charge. Costs are increasing rapidly, affecting the revenue available for projects. More will be discussed at the May meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for May 22, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting May 22, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, K. Aron and P. Traskowski. M. Benish.

Absent: C. Kintop.

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

J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

There has been no further activity by Muskego or Big Muskego on the sediment basin issue.

SEWRPC has indicated that we will have the final draft of the Lake Plan by the June meeting.

The Town has approved the ordinance for the Emergency Plan for the lakes. The Town will print the signs and public works will put them up if necessary. Points for the signs were identified on a map. It is unlikely that they will be needed, but now there is a plan in place should it be needed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Hydrilla Conference – We are waiting for the DVD contractor to cash his check. As soon as it clears, we will submit for the grant reimbursement.

Budget discussions continued. K. Aron distributed information on the current status of this year's budget items.

NEW BUSINESS

J. Bellante moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats 19.85(1)(e), to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties and under 19.85(1)(g)to confer with legal counsel regarding litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved; second by R. Mohr. Roll Call vote, R. Mohr, aye, J. Bellante, aye, M. Benish, aye, J. Marks, aye. K. Aron also present in closed session.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for June 26, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting

June 26, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, C. Kintop, M. Benish and K. Aron and 6 residents

Absent: C. Kintop.

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

J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. C. Kintop moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

There has been no further activity by Muskego or Big Muskego on the sediment basin issue, but the most recent Big Muskego newsletter included the discussion of needing another drawdown at some point to control carp.

SEWRPC has provided a final draft, but many of the changes were not incorporated. They also submitted a bill for the \$13,500. K. Aron and J. Marks will meet with SEWRPC to go over the changes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The residents had questions about the harvesting and chemical treatments. Also questions about riprap, the lake level, and impact on shorelines.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed how the emergency process went. A few suggestions were made to improve the process, although all agreed that things went well. Someone kept stealing the slow-no-wake signs at the boat launch so it was suggested that some smaller signs be made to post in the locked boxes at the launch. Double the signs should be made to replace them as they are stolen. K. Aron should check to see how quickly the web manager can respond to posting it on the website.

The elevation of S Wind Lake Rd was discussed because Wind Lake drains through Breezy Bay when the elevation gets that high. If S Wind Lake Rd was ever raised, it would back up the elevation on Wind Lake even more than it did. C. Kintop suggested that S Wind Lake Rd never be raised.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed not changing the annual charge this year. An alternative is to charge for those who want to have the charge go on the taxes. This would become part of the resolution in Sept and would affect the 2009 tax roll. The board agreed that \$15 for lake front, \$10 for canal front, and \$5 for off lake would be appropriate. R. Mohr is up for re-election in Sept.

- K. Aron indicated the bills will go out in 2 weeks. It did not seem appropriate to send a bill to residents who have suffered severe damage. R. Mohr moved to defer the special charges for evacuated homeowners, second by M. Benish, motion carried.
- J. Bellante moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats 19.85(1)(e), to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public, second by R. Mohr. Roll Call vote, R. Mohr, aye, J. Bellante, aye, M. Benish, aye, J. Marks, aye, C. Kintop, aye. K. Aron was also present in closed session.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for June 26, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting July 24, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, and K. Aron and 1 citizen.

Excused: M. Benish Absent: C. Kintop.

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

J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by J. Marks, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The carp removal took place the 1st Saturday in June. 28,400 lbs were removed with an average of 12 lbs each. The carp had not spawned yet, so it was a very productive catch. The bill for \$6536 was presented and paid. It was noted that there was no carp removal last year.

There was no further action on Big Muskego sediment basin design.

SEWRPC has provided a final draft, but many of the changes were not incorporated. They also submitted a bill for the \$13,000. K. Aron and J. Marks will meet with SEWRPC to go over the changes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

OLD BUSINESS

The question of a second harvesting was discussed. There is a question about the validity of the contractor's request to be paid in full for the contract. K. Aron will check with the attorney. Next year's contract will be changed to put better protections in place for the district. If the contract must be paid, we will have the contractor out to cut for that exact amount.

The board discussed the annual meeting. K. Aron will contact Dr Thornton to see if he is available to give a short presentation on the lake plan. Doug Welch, DNR Fisheries, will also give a short presentation at the meeting.

The lake plan is now complete, and all the changes have been made. It is being printed, so the board discussed making the payment to SEWRPC. The payment will be made by cashiers check to facilitate quick grant reimbursement.

NEW BUSINESS

R Mohr moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats 19.85(1)(e), to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public property and to confer with legal counsel regarding litigation which it is or is likely to become involved, second by J. Bellante. Roll Call vote, R. Mohr, aye, J. Bellante, aye, J. Marks, aye. K. Aron was also present in closed session.

Motion to return to Open Session, 2nd and approved. No other business was conducted as a result of the closed sessions.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Aug 28, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Oct 23, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, K. Aron and 3 citizens.

Excused: R. Schopp

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

J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

K. Aron will submit a short article for the Town newsletter on the DNR lake level decision.

J.. Marks has blank hunter permission slips for the Muskego Dam property. He has issued one. There has been no action that we know of from Muskego/Big Muskego with respect to a drawdown. The DNR has ruled that they denied the Norway Dover Drainage District's request to draw Wind Lake down in winter.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was a question about tubing and the numbers of people that can be pulled behind a boat. The process to amend an ordinance was discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

The online payments cost \$7 for \$200 worth of receipts. K. Aron will investigate if the costs can be passed along to those using online payments.

NEW BUSINESS

The membership to the Wisconsin Association of Lakes was discussed. It is in the budget and the consensus was to join again this year.

The 1993 and future dredging was discussed. A timeline was reviewed. A series of hearing need to be held with residents of each potential dredging area. The meetings should include information on potential costs per resident, and what the residents believe should be the criteria and parameters for the dredging. Meetings will be held in 2009.

There was no closed session held.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Dec 4, 2008.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Dec 4, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, K. Aron and 1 citizen.

Excused: R. Schopp

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

J. Bellante moved to accept the minutes as printed, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. R. Schopp moved to accept the treasurers report as presented, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Reisner presented information to request that the number of people being pulled behind a boat be increased from the current limit of 2. The board agreed to forward the request on to Waubeesee and Long Lake Districts, and the Lake patrol for comments.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

K. Aron & J. Marks met with Muskego and DNR, as well as our engineer to review the recent plants from Ducks Unlimited. They are going to put in a small wetland, that will also serve as a final filtering system when the drawdown takes place. We were please to see that they are still planning to use large filtering bags if/when a drawdown does take place. DU funds will be used to construct the wetland.

The board asked that a letter be sent to Wm McReynolds asking to be appraised of ANY action taken with respect to the Wind Lake levels, and include comments about the resulting damage to fish, herptiles, etc.

It is not clear who requested the drawdown that took place the end of November.

The county completed construction of the drainage way along West Wind Lake Rd. They lined the ditch with coconut blankets and put additional protection at the outlet to Wind Lake. A number of trees and bushes were removed in the project.

The Norway Dover Drainage District has filed for a contested case hearing on their drawdown request.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed the harvesting contract that we received from Midwest Aquatics. K. Aron was directed to ask the attorney for help with the contract language to protect WLMD.

The board discussed how to begin the dredging project discussions. All agreed that this was a very difficult time economically to proposed spending large chunks of money. K. Aron will begin putting together a property owner survey that would be sent to residents in proposed project areas to gauge their willingness to pursue a project.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Aron submitted the hours and miles that were spent on the lawsuit and drainage district permit request. The hours do not include the small times, just the larger blocks of time. The work done is beyond the scope of her normal work and involved a significant amount of time. She charges other lake groups \$65 per hour but will take less for Wind Lake. J. Bellante motioned to pay K. Aron at \$50 per hour, 2nd by M. Benish, motion carred.

There was no closed session held.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for January 22, 2009.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Aug 18, 2008

Present: J. Marks, R. Mohr, C. Kintop, M. Benish and K. Aron

Absent: J. Bellante

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

Because of the implications of the New Business item on the proposed budget, New Business was discussed first.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed discussed the notice received about changing the operational order of the Wind Lake Dam. The Norway Dover Drainage District has requested a change to the permit to draw Wind Lake down between Oct 15 and April 1 of each year. K. Aron inspected the DNR file and found no permit application, no evidence they paid a permit application fee, no data to support the request, no evidence that DNR had indeed been meeting with NDDD as is stated in the Environmental Assessment (EA). K. Aron is to write to DNR asking to drop the request, and to provide a complete copy of the file that was inspected. The hearing is to be held the day before the annual meeting. The annual meeting notice will include the notice about the hearing to try to get people to attend and testify. M. Benish also volunteered to drop flyers to alert the residents. J. Marks has notified some of the fishing clubs who have been conducting tournaments.

OLD BUSINESS

The budget and annual charges were discussed at length. Because of the increasing costs of services, as well as the potential for increased legal costs, the board discussed raising the annual charge. The decision was to raise the annual charge to \$120 lake front, \$80 canal front, \$55 off lake. The proposed budget was reviewed as well as the agenda and budget resolution.

There was no closed session

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for August 28, 2008.