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.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting February 24 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, Bellante, K. Aron and 42 citizens. Excused: J. Bellante. 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. G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Big Muskego workgroup held a meeting to discuss a potential drawdown in spring 2011. DNR will present 2 alternatives to Muskego residents: 1) a 6-inch drawdown taking place from April until mid-September and 2) a 12-inch drawdown in April until June then 6-inches until mid-September. The Muskego hearing is March 3.

The letter has gone to the Town about the use of the Transfer site. It will be on the agenda on March 14. The chemical treatment permit is ready to be mailed to DNR.

J. Marks is the only board member able to attend the Lake Conference this spring. K. Aron will make reservations.

Changes have been made to the Wisconsin Waterways grant funding. Instead of boat motor fuel tax, the program is now funded through the Stewardship program. It is possible that harvesters will no longer be able to be funded through the Stewardship.

The board discussed the alum treatment and potential issues that may arise. The consensus was the project was the best option for Wind Lake and will proceed.

WLMD records have been gone through and 10 boxes are now stored at the Norway Town Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

The NDDD has contacted us to say they would not approve of the County being the 3rd party mediator, but they would accept Pete Bailey or our engineer. Since Bailey is unacceptable to the WLMD, K. Aron will let the attorney know that our engineer is acceptable. Another way to keep costs down: whoever prevails with the Engineer should pay the bill. K. Aron will advise the attorney. Plans and specs have gone to DATCP for approval. DATCP has indicated to us that they will have their decision by the end of April.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed the draft newsletter including discussing how to handle the alum treatment payments. Comments are to get to K. Aron as soon as possible.

The board reviewed the paperwork for the loan for the alum treatment. G. Kotsiris presented the Preamble and the Resolution for approval. R. Schopp motioned to approve the Resolution, 2nd by R. Mohr, on a voice vote, all present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the payments and how to bill the property owners. Owners are encouraged to pay the full amount now. R. Schopp motioned to charge landowners who pay over 10 years 4% interest to cover the administration costs of the loan, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

J. Marks asked that the agreement for Sportsmans and the harvesting program be drafted.

The board reviewed the location of a property which now is entirely in the canal because of the cattail growth. R. Mohr motioned to change the designation on 03-082-000 from Lakefront to Canal, 2nd by R. Schopp, motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for March 24, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting March 24, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, J. Bellante, K. Aron and 5 citizens. Excused:

- J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, second by J. Bellante, 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

J. Marks attended the Big Muskego public hearing on the lake level adjustment. The community approved doing a 1 ft adjustment until June when it will go back up 6 in and remain at 6 inches down until September. NDDD was against a drawdown of any kind.

The Town approved the use of the transfer site for harvested plants. They agreed to work with us on putting together a 20-year lease.

The chemical permit has been applied for. The Marine Biochemists contract has been received, signed and returned.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents asked questions about the roadside weed pickup, harvesting and chemical treatment. Questions on the alum treatment billing were discussed, as well as whether the Big Muskego drawdown will increase Wind Lakes weeds (no).

OLD BUSINESS

Board member availabilities for the next month were discussed.

J. Marks updated the board on the negotiations with the NDDD about the dam operation. K. Aron will send an email to Julie Anderson with the current contract draft. NDDD wants to meet with our engineer prior to execution of an agreement.

The goose roundup will cost up to \$5000, which will include the cost of contaminant testing, and will require at least 2 volunteers to help locate the birds.

NEW BUSINESS

he should attend.

The meeting with the lake patrol supervisor will take place April 25. It is a closed meeting with only 1 representative from a lake.

A landowner has requested to be removed from the lake district. The landowner does benefit from being within the lake district and therefore does not meet the criteria for removal. The board agreed that the request is denied.

J. Marks conducted a session with the local girl scouts about lake issues, including weeds. It was discussed whether our engineer should attend the Big Muskego work group meeting. It was decided

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for March 24, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting April 28, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, K. Aron and 5 citizens.

Excused: J. Bellante Absent: R. Schopp

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

R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, second by G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

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

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The chemical treatment permit has been received and the contract has been signed.

A list of lake patrol hours and citations for 2010 was provided by the lake patrol at a meeting. The role of the lake patrol was also discussed at the meeting and safety is stressed, weeds on trailers will be given fines.

The Big Muskego drawdown status was discussed.

J. Marks attended various training sessions at the lake conference in Green Bay.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents asked questions about the Big Muskego wetlands project on Muskego Dam road.

OLD BUSINESS

Board members were brought up to date on the alum barge accident. It isn't known when the equipment will be repaired and the work completed.

The latest draft of the NDDD dam operation contract was reviewed and discussed. The board concurred that there are two open issues that still needs to be addressed: 1- WLMD must be included on the insurance policy, and 2- The termination of the dam operator must be subject to the same review by the independent third party engineer. K. Aron was directed to notify the attorney.

The harvesting was discussed. A new lock for the transfer site is needed: one with a combination lock that can be changed as needed to allow WLMD access during harvesting. WLMD will purchase the lock prior to harvesting.

NEW BUSINESS

A request to reduce the alum treatment charge for a property owner was discussed. The landowner is elderly, cannot use or build on the lot which is all cattails. It is only appraised at \$15,000. The charge of \$750 is considered excessive under those conditions, but it is not known how many similar sites there are. The board tabled the discussion until the May meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for May 26, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting May 26, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 11 citizens.

- J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, 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 G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The harvesting program was discussed. WLMD will purchase a new lock for the Transfer Site. The board discussed when roadside pickup for weeds would be done. Weds were the preferred day of those available. The Town is working on a multi-year lease to use the Transfer Site.

NR115 was discussed, along with its implications for the County. It will affect almost every aspect of lakefront properties, including things like blacktop sealing. The county is trying to get the rules changed because the costs will be very high.

R. Mohr and J. Marks will assist with the goose roundup. It will be scheduled soon. 40 to 60 geese have been sighted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents asked questions NR 115. Another wanted to know how many property owners are in the district (~900).

OLD BUSINESS

The alum treatment was discussed. The contractor flipped the barge. He is rebuilding the equipment and will finish the project soon. Residents asked what the recourse is if it "doesn't work". The delay in completion is not expected to alter the effectiveness of the project. The filamentous and planktonic algae will not be "killed" by the alum treatment. However, it will greatly reduce the nutrients that fuel the bluegreen and green algae growths. The board will investigate the impacts further.

The board was asked to inspect the NW bay condo area and the west shore for filamentous algae for treatment.

The drainage district agreement about the dam operation was discussed. The issue of insurance has been resolved – WLMD will be covered. J. Marks suggested that a simple word change from "must" to "may" will work on the issue of the termination of a dam operator. K. Aron will get copies of the current drat for the board to review.

J. Marks discussed their tour of harvesting manufacturers. A draft budget for harvesting equipment acquisition will be presented at the annual meeting. The problem with acquisition is it's a permanent overhead. Area lakes that operate similar programs charge between \$400 and 500 per year.

The board discussed the request to reduce the alum charge for Ms. Nowicki. R. Schopp moved to deny the request, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Aron presented an advertisement for "do-it-yourself" weed treatment. Anyone who puts chemicals in the lake must have a permit.

The weed roller was discussed. It was suggested that doing a test project that includes monitoring should be done.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for June 23, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting June 23, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 10 citizens.

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

R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, 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 G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

There was no carp removal this year. DNR added overly restrictive requirements to the contract that prevented Greg H from agreeing to the contract. A \$10,000 performance bond, at least 5 days of carp removal, and a minimum removal was required. It is unfortunate that a very successful program has been ruined by the DNR.

AB165 -sponsored by Rep Waangard was discussed.

J. Marks appointed R. Mohr as Vice Chair to run meetings if he is not present.

NR115 – there is discussion about pushing back the implementation date. The county is opposed to the laws because of the huge workload for the county.

The has been no action yet on a long term agreement with the Town about the use of the transfer site. The goose roundup will be conducted June 30th.

The lake patrol asked about funding new ordinance signs at the boat launch. K. Aron will send a letter asking for further information.

The harvesting program was discussed. The 2nd harvesting should be moved up as early in July as possible. The board discussed when roadside pickup for weeds would be done. Weds and Fridays were the preferred day of those available.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents indicated that 6 lots on W Wind Lake Rd were not chemically treated for the filamentous algae problem. They were asked to put up flags to mark the sides of the lot that does not want treatment. The contractor is using smaller boats because of depth problems.

A question about the billing was asked. Other items included self-raking, weed razors, rakes, and harvesting.

OLD BUSINESS

The alum treatment invoice has been received. R. Schopp moved to pay the \$314,243.85 invoice, 2nd by R, Mohr, motion carried.

The drainage district agreement about the dam operation was discussed. Two options were discussed dealing with the termination of an operator. The preferred option is that the 3rd party would rule on the validity of the termination if the other side opposes it. The 2nd option would require operation to revert to the County until a mutually agreed upon operator is hired.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed the budget line items in preparation for the annual meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for July 28, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting July 28, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 18 citizens.

- J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
- R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, 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 G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

Weed pickups are scheduled for the 1st two Fridays in August. The decision to continue will be based on participation levels.

Lake patrol hours and citations were discussed.

Harvesting and chemical treatments were discussed as well as potential remaining dates.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents were present to discuss their shorelines on West Wind Lake Rd. The area had been treated 4 times, and residents admitted that now the condition was much improved. Other questions from the residents were about the alum treatment, harvesting and lake patrol.

OLD BUSINESS

The drainage district has approved their plans and specs. They will now be asking for 2 new board members to be appointed. Two people were suggested for the position: J. Marks and Andy Anderson. There will be a 6-inch drawdown in October now that the plans have been approved.

The agreement about the dam operation was discussed at length. G Kotsiris spoke with the attorney at length. There are serious concerns about the language regarding termination of the operator. After discussion, a special meeting will be set up with the board and the attorney to discuss options. K. Aron will set the meeting up.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed the budget line items in preparation for the annual meeting. G. Kotsiris motioned to accept the proposed budget pending any decisions as a result of the Closed Session coming up, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. K. Aron discussed the timing of the plant survey. Plants are at their most prolific now and recommends the survey be done now, rather than in June. The board agreed, G. Kotsiris motioned to conduct the survey as soon as possible, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

R. Mohr motioned to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats 19.85 (1)(c) to consider compensation of public employee, 2nd by G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, aye, R. Schopp, aye, G. Kotsiris aye, R. Mohr, aye, motion carried.

Motion to return to Open Session and act on any necessary items as a result of the closed session.

- G. Kotsiris motioned to modify two line items in the proposed budget:
- 1- Per diem from \$4000 to \$5000
- 2- Secy from \$7152 to \$7872.
- 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

A letter will be sent to the County asking that Joe Bellante III be appointed to fill Joe Bellante's seat on the WLMD board.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Aug 25, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting August 25, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 9 citizens.

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

R. Mohr moved to approve minutes, 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 G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The RCDDB is seeking new members now that the plans and specs have been approved. The RCDDB is going to assess the Waterford Drainage District, but apparently has no plans to assess the existing Norway district, even though the loan payment is due for payoff Nov 1, 2012.

Lake patrol hours and citations were discussed. Bowfishing for carp was discussed and what might e done to alleviate problems. Ideas included posting signs at the launch about staying away from homes, using mufflers on generators, and restricting times.

The low lake level was discussed. There has been only 4" of rain in Wind Lake since Jun 1st. This is way below normal.

There has been a dramatic improvement in the water quality monitoring results on Wind Lake since the alum treatment. Nutrient levels in the water are now at our target level (20 ppb).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Residents asked to continue the weed pickup. It was felt that every other week was acceptable. The board was thanked for their efforts on the weed and algae control this summer.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed the issue of additional harvesting for this year. Midwest Aquatics cannot come back out until mid-September. A new contractor, Clear Water Harvesting, is available to come out next week. K. Aron will work with G. Kotsiris to resolve the Midwest Aquatics contract as best as possible, and to hire Clear Water for up to 40 hours. This will be a good test of the new companies' equipment and personnel.

The annual meeting was discussed. DNR fisheries will not be able to attend the meeting. J. Marks will have informational posters that will include various aspects of the issues facing the District.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Aron will put the weed roller on the agenda for the October meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting August 29, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and Atty P. Ludwig and Corp Counsel Atty John Lehman.

- J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 6 pm.
- R. Schopp motioned to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Second by G. Kotsiris, on the roll call vote, J. Marks-aye, G. Kotsiris-aye, R. Mohr-aye, R. Schopp-aye. K. Aron, Atty P. Ludwig, and Atty. J. Lehman were present in Closed Session.

The board returned to Open Session on a motion by R. Schopp, 2nd by R. Mohr, and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Sept 8, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron, J. Bellante, and appox 10 residents.

- J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 8:40 pm following the annual meeting.
- G. Kotsiris motioned to retain the existing board positions, 2nd by R. Schopp, motion carried.
- J. Marks-Chairman
- G. Kotisir-Secretary
- R. Mohr-Treasurer

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2011.

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

Present: G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron and 2 citizens.

Excused: R. Mohr, J. Bellante

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

R. Schopp moved to approve the minutes of Aug 25, Aug 29 and Sept 8, second by G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

K. Aron presented the treasurers report. R. Schopp moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented, 2nd by G. Kotsiris, motion carried. A question was raised whether WLMD should pre-pay on the loans. K. Aron and R. Mohr will bring the relevant paperwork to the next meeting to discuss further.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The USGS contract for the upcoming year was received. The next years' work will cost \$8,144. The next years budget will need to be raised to reflect the increase.

The lake level is still below normal. It is at 7.47, almost 1 foot low. It should only be 6 inches down now for the winter.

The building inspector has given notice to the landowner next to the S Wind Lake Rd property to remove plantings and blocks that are not on his property.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

One resident wanted to comment on the amount of weeds this summer and hopes that something will be done about the problem for next year. He expressed frustration about not being able to use his lakefront. Another question was about how the WLMD is tracking the alum treatment payments.

OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed the status of the contract with the drainage district. R. Schopp motioned to approve the final contract version as presented by the attorney, 2nd by G. Kotsiris, motion carried.

The harvesting contracts for 2012 was discussed. Both contractors will be used, but more work will be needed to develop a schedule. The board may consider hiring someone to keep track of the current contractor while he is on the lake. K. Aron will put together costs and hours estimates for the next meeting. This should be finalized at the next meeting so that contracts can be sent out.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the use of a weed roller in Wind Lake. R. Schopp motioned to support the development of a resolution in support of using of a weed roller, pending various conditions, 2nd by G. Kotsiris. Motion carried. K. Aron will put a draft resolution together to discuss at the next meeting. Some of the conditions include: no more than 30' of shoreline to be impacted, and no use at night.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Dec 1, 2011.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting Nov 29, 2011

Present: G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, R. Mohr, J. Bellante, K. Aron and 2 citizens. Excused:

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

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

R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. G. Kotsiris moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented, 2nd by R. Schopp, motion carried. G. Kotsiris moved to pay down the loans, leaving a balance in the alum account of \$56,000, 2nd by R. Schopp, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

K. Aron informed the board of a letter that was received and responded to, a copy was provided. A meeting was held with the Big Muskego working group. The project status was discussed. An agreement will be coming from DNR regarding the minimum flow requirements for Big Muskego and Wind Lake dams. The agreement will formalize the status quo which is to not require minimum flows. The Town, County, and WLMD will be asked to approve the agreement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

The harvesting budget was discussed, dropping the contract hours from 80 to 55, with additional hours purchased as needed.

The board discussed the agreement with the drainage district which is now final. The operation will transfer to WLMD on January 1.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the weed roller resolution that was prepared based on the October meeting. Weed rollers would provide another alternative for shoreline residents who have excessive weeds. The resolution stipulated provisions such as only using one on less than 30 feet of shoreline, similar to current requirements for clearing. After discussion, R. Schopp moved to approve the resolution, 2nd by G. Kotsiris, motion carried on a 3 to 2 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for Jan 26, 2012.

Minutes Wind Lake Management District Annual Meeting Sept 8, 2011

Present: R. Mohr, G. Kotsiris, J. Marks, R. Schopp, K. Aron, J. Bellante, and appox 80 residents. J. Marks called the board meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Introductions of the board were made.

The minutes were approved as printed.

- J. Marks gave an update on the past year:
 - Lake level The lake is almost one foot down. This complicates everything from boating to weed control. There has only been 4" of rain since June 1, when we were at a full lake level.
 - Alum treatment was completed and has successfully reduced the nutrient levels in the lake (USGS monitoring.
 - Harvesting the lake level presented problems for the work. Problems with the ucrrent contractor were discussed, along with possible solutions. A new contractor was used as a trial. They were very conscientious and did a good job. There equipment would allow them to get int to shallower water.
 - Chemical treatment Because of the alum treatment, we were not denied treatment this year. A number of treatments were done to try to keep the filamentous algae down, and to keep access open in some areas. The applicators also had difficulty because of low water.
 - Harvesting equipment acquisition The board has been investigating this but the costs, and other issues such as equipment maintenance, storage, and disposal sites, means that there will be no proposal to purchase equipment for at least one year.
 - Goose removal There were 56 geese removed this year by USDA. This program has been very successful at reducing the nutrients and damage from the birds.
 - Carp removal There were no carp removed at the Muskego dam this year. DNR wanted G. Heinrich to sign a contract that included 5 minimum days of removal, a large cash bond, and other things that were completely unreasonable and costly. WLMD will try to resolve this for next year.
- J. Marks opened the Budget Hearing. The residents asked questions about the various categories. One resident suggested that the harvesting budget should be reducted. A motion from the floor was made and seconded to keep the harvesting budget at \$70,000. Motion carried. A motion was made to approve the budget resolution 1-2011, it was seconded and approved. The budget hearing was closed.
- R. Mohr is up for re-election to the board for a 3-year term. A motion was made to re-elect R. Mohr for the position and to cast a unanimous ballot. The motion was seconded, motion carried.

A resident brought up the boat patrol. J. Marks stated that the patrol is run by the Town and complaints should go to the police commission. The WLMD has tried to improve the patrol by holding training sessions and meetings. Residents complained that they do not assist disabled boaters, they do not abide by slow-no-wake rules, and they do not provide any storm warnings, even when they are on the lake when a storm is imminent.

A motion was made to change the annual meeting date to a Saturday, motion was seconded, motion failed.

A motion was made to have the 2012 annual meeting on Sept 12, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2011.