

HORSEHEAD LAKE PROTECTION &
REHABILITATION DISTRICT NO.1
Lake Tomahawk, WI 54539

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 8TH, 2008

The Commissioners of the Horsehead Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District No. 1 held a commissioner's meeting on Tuesday, July 8th, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. at the Sloan Community Center, Lake Tomahawk.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dennis Batchelet at 4: 18 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Those in attendance: Chairman Dennis Batchelet, Secretary Linda Kay HoughtonBowen, Treasurer Beverly J. Fagan, Town Board, supervisor, Rick Mazurczak, and County Board supervisor, Tom Rudolph.

AGENDA:

Dennis Batchelet read the agenda of July 8th, 2008, which was posted in all the proper places, and sent to all commissioners. Motion by Tom Rudolph, seconded by Beverly J. Fagan to approve the agenda, motion carried.

MINUTES OF APRIL 7TH, 2008:

Secretary Linda Kay Houghton-Bowen had the minutes of the April 7th, 2008 meeting. Tom Rudolph stated under presidents report; the commission should have been commissioner and the town purchased 10 pieces of fir, 4"x8"x 12' for the new boards to be installed. Motion by Tom Rudolph, seconded by Rick Mazurczak to approve the minutes of April 7th, 2008 as corrected, motion carried.

REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Dennis Batchelet reported our web page has been updated, and w~ have had . a total of around 2,500 hits since it was set up.

Dennis reported when Tim Hoyman was on the lake recently, he found no new (EWM) Eurasian Water Milfoil, where in the spring he found the 8 plants and pulled them out by the dock area by the landing.

Batchelet also reported at the boat landing there is a gravel build-up, where boats loading power-load. Is this something either the town or the WDNR will correct? We may need to notify Dan at Wisconsin Valley Improvement. Beverly Fagan offered to contact Dan.

Batchelet also reported he did not do the water quality tests this spring, however, Tim Hoyman did them for him. Basically the test results have remained constant.

Batchelet will ask our Clean Boats/Clean Waters volunteers on Horsehead Lake to check boats on busy weekends such as Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day. It was reported that not a lot of fishing is going on at the present time, however, during the winter months there were large numbers of ice fishermen. One gentlemen caught a lot of large northerns; more than his limit each day.

WEED CUTTING UPDATE:

Batchelet reported we contracted the weed cutting for 80 hours again this year, and Mr. Schmidt is scheduled to come and look over the lake next week to decide if and where weeds will need to be cut. The permit for harvesting weeds has been purchased in the amount of \$300. Kevin Gauthier of the WDNR is holding the check to possibly save the District the \$300 fee in case we do not cut weeds this year.

Dennis also reported he has the buoys, ropes, etc. in his garage, which was taken off the site of the aeration system and out of the lake this spring by Jeff Ziembra, of JZ Property Management.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Linda Kay Houghton-Bowen stated we already approved the minutes of the last commissioner's meeting. She called the Oneida County Court House to get an updated list of Horsehead Lake District property owners, however, it may change after the second half of the property taxes are collected on July 31st. She suggested we change the dates of updating the lists of January 15th and July 1st to after taxes have been collected in January and July. Motion by Batchelet, seconded by Mazurczak we have new property owners list made up the first or second week of February and the first or second week of August, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Treasurer Beverly Fagan had written a financial report for each commissioner. Beginning balance in checking account, \$22,707.31, expenses, check #1537 - 1550 totaling \$1,549.30. Revenues included \$628.00 refund of premium from EMC Insurance, Lottery Credit of \$78.97 and Interest of \$36.05, totaling \$743.02; Ending checking account balance \$161.08; Money Market Account \$18,898.02 and CD \$2,841.95 for a total of \$21,901.03. Motion by Linda Kay Houghton-Bowen to accept the finance report, seconded by Tom Rudolph, motion carried.

LAKE STUDY COORDINATOR:

Kris Batchelet stated the planning committee met today with Tim Hoyman and have scheduled another meeting for August 6th at 1:00 pm. The committee will be discussing the results of the survey mailed out to all property owners and the committee will review his findings and possibly propose some ideas for a lake plan.

Fagan had copies for each commissioner on total cost of study/grant: Phase I, total cost \$10,436.96, state share \$7,827.72, lake district share \$2,609.24. Phase II, total cost \$11,713.00; state share \$8,784.75, lake district share \$2,928.25. Money received from the state includes payment 1 of \$6,588.56 and payment 2 of \$5,302.83, total of

\$11,891.39. The district budget of \$6,000 is within the grant guidelines, the state payment is \$4,721.08 short. There were questions:

- 1) Does the Lake District have to request the balance when the grant/study is complete?
- 2) Will Onterra do this for us when they have completed their work?
- 3) What is the time line for completion?

REPORTS:

SPEAKER FOR ANNUAL MEETING:

There was discussion on having Tim Hoyman as our speaker for the annual meeting, and Tom Rudolph suggested it would be well worth having him attend the annual meeting and give property owners some power points, as the members will want to know what is going on to their lake.

DAM REPAIR UPDATE:

Chairman Batchelet reported he talked with the Lake Tomahawk Town Chairman Ed Coffen who said the town crew has a long list of town jobs to work on before they could get to our dam repair project.

It was suggested that the chairman contact the town clerk and ask to be on the August 13th agenda to discuss this project. There was discussion on the project; a motion was made by Houghton-Bowen, seconded by Rudolph to have chairman be put on the town agenda for their August 13th, motion carried.

There was also discussion that the boat landing needs some gravel, as there has been some damage to boat trailers docking their boats.

NEW BUSINESS:

STIMULATING INTEREST IN RUNNING FOR DISTRICT BOARD:

Chairman Batchelet stated we should have at least two people running for a commission each year and start to stimulate interest of new property owners. He made a motion to have at least two people run each year for the opening of a commission.. Houghton-Bowen just retyped the by-laws last year and made copies for property owners. It was suggested he make some mention of this in the annual newsletter that will go out in August. Tom Rudolph stated if members of the district do not come forward, maybe they are just not interested.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Chairman Batchelet stated we need to make a scheduled day of the week for our commissioners meetings. He suggested either a Monday or a Friday. Members of the board were not interested in Friday meetings. Motion by Houghton-Bowen seconded by Fagan we have future commissioner's meetings on Monday afternoons, time to be determined. After discussion motion was carried.

2008-2009 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Fagan had sheets with the 2008 budgeted expenses, actual spent, and members of the commission went through each line item to set a proposed 2008 - 2009 budget. Budgeted amount in 2008 was \$41,857.39, actual spent to July 8th 2008 was \$18,322.01, (did not include weed harvesting for this year).

After going through each line item, members of the commission came up with expenses for the 2008-2009 of \$39,050.00. This is just a proposed budget to take to the annual meeting for the entire property owners to discuss and vote on. Fagan will get the figures from Oneida County and the levy and Beverly and Dennis will plug in the figures and will send each commissioner a copy for feedback before sending in the annual newsletter.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

Motion at 6:10 p.m. by Tom Rudolph, seconded by Linda Kay Houghton-Bowen to adjourn, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Kay Houghton-Bowen, Secretary
Horsehead Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District #1

