

[These minutes are tentative until they are approved at our 2012 Annual Meeting]

HORSEHEAD LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT #1
ANNUAL MEETING

AUGUST 20, 2011

President Batchelet called the meeting to order in the Peterson Room of the Sloan Community Center, Lake Tomahawk, WI at 9:00 AM.

Present: President Dennis Batchelet, Treasurer Beverly Fagan, Secretary Christy Nemcek, and Town Representative George DeMet. Several lake property owners were present. County Board Representative Tom Rudolph was absent. All notices were posted in accordance with open meeting laws and district by-laws. The local newspaper was notified and agendas were sent to all commissioners as well as district members. Attendees enjoyed a presentation by John Kubisiak, DNR fish biologist.

President Batchelet began the meeting with introductions of board members and property owners that were present.

Joanne Erickson made motion to approve agenda. Second by Mary Ellen Zickus. No discussion. Motion carried.

Motion by Kris Batchelet to dispense with reading of and accept the minutes from the 2010 annual meeting. Second by Joanne Erickson. No discussion. Motion carried.

President Batchelet announcements & reports:

- + Mentioned clip board was being circulated during meeting to get residents attendance.
- + This meeting will follow Robert's Rules of Order. Reminded members how to use Close Debate motion to close discussion and move on to vote.
- + Reminder that 2012 annual meeting is Saturday in August 18, 2012 at 9am in the Peterson Room of the Sloan Community Center, Lake Tomahawk, WI.
- + The aeration system had a few problems this year but Midwest Aquatics was able to make the necessary repairs with parts at no charge. The aeration system is functioning well but becoming outdated, difficult to find replacement parts and will need to be replaced sometime over the next few years. It seems apparent that only the compressors will need to be replaced and not the pods or piping. The rope will need to be replaced since original rope is rotting. Jeff Ziembra will continue to set up & dismantle the roping around the open water.
- + The DNR will be stocking the lake with Bass.
- + The web site had approximately 7285 hits to date (over 1000 hits since one month ago).
- + We have a three year permit (2011,2012,2013) to harvest weeds. The weed harvester follows a grid map created in the lake study and the DNR has given us permission to cut 60 acres. One square on the grid map represents 1/4 acre. It takes approximately one hour to cut a 1/2 acre. This year Cliff Schmidt worked 90 hours over 46 acres and removed 74 loads (185 tons) of weeds. Last year (2010) he worked 84 hours over 49 acres and took out 39 loads (97 tons) of weed. The weed population varies each year. This year it was 94% flat stem leaf pond weed, 2% elodea, 2% coontail and 2% fern pondweed
- + Eurasian Water Milfoil has been found at the Dam near the dock area. Tim Hoyman will be monitoring the EWM at the dock at a cost of \$130. Tim suggested the Lake District apply for a grant to study Curly Leaf Pondweed. If we receive the grant, the lake would be checked for Eurasian Water

Milfoil as well. This type of grant reimburses quarterly rather than one time annually. Motion by Linda Delius. Second by Tim Desmond to investigate opportunity of applying for grant for purpose of studying Curly Leaf Pondweed as soon as possible. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report from August 14, 2010-August 20, 2011:

Beginning Balance 12531.82. Expenses (check#1645-check#1682) paid from regular checking \$20,662.72. November revenue: levy 5305.69, interest 10.76; July revenue 13,228.17 from levy, lottery credit, insurance rebate and interest; August revenue interest 7.14. Balance on August 20, 2011 \$10,420.86. Anticipated revenue: levy \$5952.40, grant reimbursement 4,142.28. Anticipated expense: Weed harvesting 15,875.00. Checking account balance: \$296.02. Money Market balance: 10,420.86. Motion by Hans Delius. Second by Joanne Erickson to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried. Hans Delius announced he and Linda Delius audited the books. A comparison of bank statements, invoices and check receipts showed the books to be in order.

Secretary Christy Nemcek reported that there was a list of property owner's addresses being passed around and asked that individuals make any corrections to their information. She also asked that if anyone prefers correspondence via email rather than US mail they should contact her.

Marilyn Weustenhagen gave the Lake Testing/DNR Batchelet distributed 2011 lake secchi and trophic state graphs. The graphs showed the lake is moderately mesotrophic moving towards being oligotrophic.

Lake Study Highlights - Kris Batchelet, reported that after 1 = years our Lake Study has finally been approved.

Joanne Erickson gave Clean Boats, Clean Waters Program report stating that she and Pat Donnick made 27 plus trips to boat landing to monitor lake activity. Opening weekend of fishing and Memorial Day weekend were the busiest. They witnessed fewer fishermen than usual. One car had weeds on it. Volunteers continue to hand out literature and check boat trailers for invasive species

New Business:

Motion by Tim Desmond, second by Bernie Farbiak to have Midwest Aquatic Specialists blow out the lake aerator pods, service the pumps, and perform system inspection. No discussion. Motion carried.

Motion by Steve Hartig to approve increase 2011-2012 budget to allow up to 60 acres of weed harvesting, second by Terry Moline. Discussion followed regarding cost of increasing weed harvesting and whether increase should be made in form of acres or hours. Steve Hartig withdrew motion. Motion by Mike Esler to increase weed harvesting to 100 hours. Second by Steve Hartig. Motion carried. Motion by Hans Delius, second Tim Desmond, approve 2011 tax levy of \$23,465.45. Motion carried. Motion by Hans Delius to set 2011-2012 budget at \$28,420.00, second by Tim Desmond. No discussion. Motion carried.

The nominating committee of Dolores Kania and Linda Delius nominated Joe Helmuth for a three-year term as commissioner. Christy Nemcek's term has ended. No other nominations from the floor. Motion by Christy Nemcek to close nominations, second by Bernie Farbiak. Motion carried. Paper ballots distributed resulting in 17 unanimous votes for Joe Helmuth to a three-year term as a commissioner. Motion by George DeMet to destroy paper ballots, Dolores Kania second. No discussion. Motion carried.

Audit Committee: Hans Delius

Clean Boats/Clean Waters: Pat Donnick, Joanne Erickson WI Association of Lakes Convention: Tim

Desmond Nominating Committee: Linda Delius, Dolores Kania Secchi Testing: Marilyn Wuestenhagen

Motion by George DeMet, second by Hans Delius to adjourn at 11:12 am. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Nemcek

Secretary, Horsehead Lake P&R District #1