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Minutes for the Quarterly Meeting held June 5, 2010

Present: Karl Frickelton, Dan Schleiter, Mary Gissal, Mike Backus, Tim Podlin
Absent: Kyle Cassel, Dennis Schad

Karl Frickelton called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on March 20th, 2010.

Lake Management Report: Mike Backus reported that the state is requiring all counties to inventory all septic systems by 2011. Adams County has automated records from 1992-present, but only paper records prior to 1992. Steel tank systems that don't meet code will be a top priority of the county.

Mike also reported that the Shoreline Restoration law is "on hold" as the state & county have to agree on the language. The intent of the new law is to have the shoreline revert back to its natural state. Homeowners would be restricted as to how much of their shoreline could be cleared as well as how far back from the high water mark the natural habitat would extend.

The Advisory Group meeting held at 9 AM prior to the Quarterly Meeting was attended by 5 Lake District members.

Mike Backus explained the urgent need to acquire pine trees, bind them together & sink them with weights throughout the lake to provide critical fish habitats & protect the annual stocking done by the DNR. Jim Reidelbach volunteered to check with a tree farm in Montello. Mike will get the specific details on "how its done" and Dan Schleiter & Mike will assist with the County & DNR permits.

Mike also reported the the Water Quality measured the first week in June was at 31'...the highest it's been in the last 4 years. Water temperature in May was 39 degrees at 60' deep and 60 degrees at the surface. In June the surface temp was already 74 degrees.

The JLRPD is looking for additional volunteers to help with the Clean Boats/Clean Waters surveys being conducted at the boat landing as required in our Lake Management Plan. Please contact Patty Devine (608) 837-8937 or Mike Backus (414) 507-7211 (cell) to volunteer.

It was also reported that a new Wis. State law permits any enforcement officer to stop cars pulling boat trailers with weeds & imposing a substantial fine. Cason & Associates treated 39 acres of the lake for Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) on June 1st, 2010. The DNR is attempting to determine why the chemicals (especially 2-4-D) are not more effective in our lake as well as the other lakes. Four milk jugs were placed on the lake to mark the sites for water samples to be taken at specific times and days and shipped to Florida to be analyzed. Thanks to Mike Backus & Scott Larson for assisting the DNR in this testing process.

Mike Backus noted that any changes to the Lake Management Plan must be presented to the Advisory Group who meets at 9 AM prior to the Annual Meeting on August 14, 2010.

Karl Frickelton reported on the status of our grant application. Our grant is ending in 2010 and we had applied for a 3 yr. continuation grant. We were 2 points away from the fundable range so Karl & others were planning a conference call to see how we could increase our points. Our current grant provided 75% reimbursement. Future grants will be at 50-75% reimbursement.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Dan Schleiter. Dan was successful in continuing our current insurance rate to cover the Lake District and its Commissioners for General Liability & Workman's Comp. He was also successful in submitting an amendment to our DNR grant to get reimbursed for the handpulling of milfoil that was done last summer by scuba divers. He will also submit our 2011 DNR permit in Nov. so we will be reimbursed before our grant ends. Dan recommended that we do not have a "tax holiday" if we have a 2010 budget surplus. There are too many other variables involved & we need the available cash flow as everything is reimbursed after the fact. A motion was made and seconded to approve The Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board also discussed the issue of travel expense reimbursement for Commissioners. Often the required board meetings, conferences, County Asso. meetings, etc. result in added travel costs for board members who are volunteering their time. A motion was made and seconded that Commissioners who request travel reimbursement for Quarterly Meetings be reimbursed at the allowable rate pursuant to Internal Revenue Bulletin 2008-50 Section 5. The allowable mileage for reimbursement will be the round trip mileage between the Commissioners' main home and lake home. In addition, those who request reimbursement for other official JLRPD business, will be reimbursed for reasonable expenses upon submission of an expense reimbursement request along with receipts, if applicable. Motion approved unanimously.

There was no County Lakes Association Report as Kyle Cassel was attending a funeral.

It was suggested that we ask those in the Lake District to send their email addresses to Tim Podlin at his webmaster address webmaster@jlrpd.org. Those who do would get quarterly meeting minutes sent to their emails & updates on the status of the county tax assessment. Mary Gissal will add a note in the Annual Meeting notice mailed to all Lake District homeowners and Midge Lawrence volunteered to collect emails at the Annual Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. With unanimous approval, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM. Respectfully submitted, Mary Gissal -Secretary

Future 2010 Meetings at the Boondocks
Sat. August 14th Annual Meeting (10AM) followed by Quarterly Mtg.
Sat. Oct. 23rd Quarterly Meeting (10 AM) preceded by Advisory Group at 9 AM