



P.O. Box 202, Balsam, Lake, WI 54810

## **BALSAM LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT**

**Regular Meeting April 20, 2013  
Polk Business Center Meeting Room**

### **MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Howard Seim.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Howard Seim, Caroline Rediske, Carl Holmgren, Loren Johnson, and Ray Sloss. Ed McGlynn arrived late.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Dave Wagner

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mindi Anderson

**APPROVE AGENDA:** A motion was made by Caroline Rediske and seconded by Loren Johnson to approve the agenda. Approved.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** A motion was made by Ray Sloss and seconded by Caroline Rediske to approve the minutes from January 19, 2013. Approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- WI Lakes Conference is April 9 - 11; all who went had a good time and made it back safe.
- Carl passed out Impervious Surfaces from PCLAR

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Carl reported that as of April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 balances that included; Bank Balance of \$266,929.22 and payment of Claims and Expenses totaling \$9,162.72 for the period January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 thru April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013. A motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Ray Sloss to approve the Treasure report and pay claims as presented. Approved.

- **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL:** (Loren/Ed)

- Waiting for ice out for program to get started.
  - Dockside did an awesome job on CLP; Loren has had about 6 emails about it and has forwarded them on to Matt Berg.
  - Water temp needs to be around 45-50 degrees before they can spray.
- **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATER:** (Carl)
    - Will be ready to go on fishing opener, May 4<sup>th</sup>.
    - Had the training at the school, 22 kids this year
    - Keith from Long Lake joined in the training; some volunteers will work with Long Lake.
- **DOCKSIDE NEWSLETTER:** (Ray)
    - Went out on time, A great job was done.
    - Next mailing will included the annual meeting agenda and budget.
    - All articles, agenda, minutes, and budget will need to be in by June 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS:**
    - **Balsam Lake Village:** (Caroline)
      - April 1<sup>st</sup> had an audit, all looks good
      - Looking at having a sewer/water rate increase
      - July 5<sup>th</sup> will be the annual firework show, all planning is underway for the Annual Freedom Fest
      - Cheryl Clemens finished the grant for the playground and Pine Park, waiting to hear back.
      - Last piece of equipment for the skate park will be installed this year.
      - Upgrading the electrical in the camping area.
      - Congrats go out the Aubins as the BLICS will be opening April 27<sup>th</sup> at 11am.
      - Doc's Eatery and Pub opened up April 1<sup>st</sup> and also for sale again
      - New Banners will be out by Memorial Day.
      - Street committee approved Village portion of the Bridge project. Looking for additional funds for the project.
    - **Polk County:** (Carl)
      - Redistricting is done, went from 23 to 15, will happen with 2014 election.
      - County is reorganizing with program prioritization and elected Supervisor responsibilities.
- **BLPRD PUBLIC INFORMATION:** (Ray)
    - All bids have been rejected for the bridge project; Linda Olds will be at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting to look at what options that they have.
    - Dockside is out.
    - Need to go out and get bids on the property signs and then get them installed.
    - Have a standing order for the sign for the Stump's Bay land, just waiting for the go ahead to get it done, also need to look at getting a sign for the Rice Creek property.
- **SEDIMENTATION PROJECT:**
    - **Little Balsam:** Actions items are in progress.
    - **Sedimentation Basin (1):** None.
- **WATERFRONT RUNOFF PROGRAM (WRP):**

- 46 Landing project is all paid for.
- \$21,754.76 WRP Grant money available (expires 12/31/13). This is a 75 – 25 match.
- **WEBSITE:** All updated, new dockside is out on the web, will post the minutes now that they are approved.
- **WATERSHED PROTECTION**
  - Water Quality:**
    - Call for monitoring in East Balsam.
    - Will need 6 consecutive grab samples (June 1<sup>st</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup> )
    - Ed is going to take charge of this project.
    - Jeremy Williamson has 100 year history, he would be willing to do a core study
    - Grab Samples-2year consecutive
    - Clean up:
      - Alum
      - Clay Rare Earth
    - Long Term Actions
      - CLP
      - Plant an aquatic species (+AIS+)
      - Land Practices
    - Water Exchange
      - Redirecting Flow
    - Ray suggest that we organize a group from East Balsam residents, divide the group up and have them do different aspects of plan stated above.
    - Get the residents involved!!
- **CONSERVANCIES:**
  - Ray wrote up a convent and sent it over to Dave to get is opinion on it.
- **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:**
  - **Secchi Disk Measurement:** None.
  - **Water Temperature:** None.
  - **Chemical Balance:** None.
- **BLPRD EXECUTIVE:** None.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Culvert Replacement Project (Bridge Project):**
  - Bridge bids came in higher than expected.
  - Invited bidders to the May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
  - Everyone is willing to put up little bit more money
  - Enthusiasm is still there.
  - Want it done by 2014 fishing opener, the governor will be coming.
  - Bids were: \$548,000; \$493,000; \$560,000
  - Short \$165,000
- **Rice Creek Conservancy Proposal:** Talked about it already

- **Long Term Work Plan Discussion:**
  - Tabled until the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Wisconsin Lake Convention:** All ready talked about it.
- **2014 Budget:**
  - Need to add new projects to the line items
  - East Balsam project line item, need to keep adding money to it a little bit at a time.
  - Ray and Ed will brain storm together and get a draft budget for the East Balsam project to pass on to the commissioners.
- **2013 Annual Meeting**
  - Carl will contact Unity to reserve the facility.
  - Ray will put notices in the paper
  - Howard will get the guest speaker

**FUTURE AGENDA:**

- Next meeting is May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Budget

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Ray Sloss and seconded by Ed McGlynn to adjourn the meeting at 11:07 p.m. Approved.

**Respectfully submitted:**  
**Mindi Anderson, Administrative Assistant for**  
**Carl Holmgren/Secretary**

**Next meeting: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. at the Polk Business Center meeting room.**