



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

BALSAM LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

**Regular Meeting August 17th, 2013
Polk Business Center Meeting Room**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Ray Sloss.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Howard Seim, Caroline Rediske, Carl Holmgren, Loren Johnson, Ray Sloss, and Dave Wagner (arrived late).

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Ed McGlynn

OTHERS PRESENT: None

APPROVE AGENDA: A motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Loren Johnson to approve the agenda. Approved.

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Caroline Rediske and seconded by Howard Seim to approve the minutes from July 20th, 2013. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Carl reported that as of August 17th, 2013 balances that included; Bank Balance of \$243,245.77 and payment of Claims totaling \$4,636.99 for the period July 21st, 2013 thru August 17th, 2013. A motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Caroline Rediske to approve the Treasurer report and pay claims as presented. Approved. Carl also provided a 2013 Budget vs. Actual for Commissioners to review.

- **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL:** (Loren Johnson)

- Provided update on the well-attended meeting to discuss options for Raskin Bay.
 - Noted field trip with Ray Sloss to Blake Lake to experience and gain education regarding lake harvesting operation. Jim Maxwell and Ford Elliot noted that they own their own harvester equipment paid for with DNR Grant support and have been working it for 9 years.
 - Ray suggested that we combine harvesting option along with spraying for next year. Loren will follow up with manufacturers and research options.
 - Loren noted that Purple Loosestrife was found around the Beach Landing and removed by Matt Berg (Endangered Resources) during his follow-up. Also noted was the presence of Purple Loosestrife in the bay across from the Holiday Station.
 - Howard noted that we do have an AIS Rapid Response Plan in place and money designated for it. Loren will follow-up. (Noted that the AIS Rapid Response Plan specifically noted Eurasian Milfoil, however, this activity should be utilized for this situation).
- **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATER:** (Carl)
 - Noted that the year is coming to an end.
 - Grant money available through 2014 then will have to re-apply for a new grant.
 - **DOCKSIDE NEWSLETTER:** (Ray)
 - Next issue will be October 1st with articles due by September 15th.
 - **PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS:**
 - Balsam Lake Village:** (Caroline)
 - Caroline forwarded Village meeting minutes for the last month to all the commissioners.
 - Noted the upcoming special board meeting August 22nd, 2013 to approve the TID for the TIF that was approved at the October 8th, 2013 Planning Meeting.
 - Polk County:** (Carl)
 - Noted that the county is still working on the organization plan when the Board size is reduced in 2014.
 - Identified Resolution H .32-13 on the agenda that references interpretation of the Shoreland Zoning ordinance.
 - <http://www.co.polk.wi.us/clerk/AgendaPDF/CountyBoard/agn-cobd-082-20-13.pdf> .
 - Carl will attend the August 20th meeting.
 - **BLPRD PUBLIC INFORMATION:** (Ray)
 - Working with both County ledger and the Leader newspapers to keep them informed of the BLPRD activities.
 - **SEDIMENTATION PROJECT:**
 - **Little Balsam:**
 - Dave provided update on Contour data collection equipment purchased. Noting that the amount paid provides one year subscription for use on Little Balsam, East Balsam, and the Sedimentation Pond.
 - Dave requested approval for Kevin Wagner to perform the data collection work that is estimated to be 8 hours and mileage. After discussion of the benefits,

motion for approval was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Ray Sloss.
Approved.

- **Sedimentation Basin (1):** Activity noted above will be performed by Dave Wagner.
- **WATERFRONT RUNOFF PROGRAM (WRP):**
 - Caroline noted that the 46 landing completion has been discussed with the Village and Pro-Lawn. Will follow-up again this week.
 - Carl noted that the money available (approximately \$20,000.00) is through 12/31/13. Cheryl is doing some follow-up as a result of the latest Dockside and Annual meeting.
- **WEBSITE:** Ray is working to keep the site up to date.
- **WATERSHED PROTECTION**
 - Water Quality:**
 - Dave provided estimate received from Polk County LAWRD. Noting the amount exceeds the \$2,500.00 statue limit.
 - Dave will prepare resolution noting single source provider for approval at the September meeting.
- **CONSERVANCIES:**
 - Ray and Carl installed the Stump Bay Conservancies on the East side of Stump Bay. Signs are now posted at both the East and West sides of the Stump Bay Conservancy.
- **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:**
 - Ray noted that Milt Stanze is working with Dick Miller and other to perform the lake testing activities.
 - Also noted was that Milt has gained approval by Mark Sundeen (DNR) for previous water testing activities performed that will reduce our 3 year required testing period for determination of impaired waters.
 - **Secchi Disk Measurement:** Noted reading for East Balsam is 2 feet.
 - **Water Temperature:** None.
 - **Chemical Balance:** None.
- **BLPRD EXECUTIVE:** None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Culvert Replacement Project (Bridge Project):**
 - Janke Contractors have signed the bid proposed and will start Construction September 3rd.
 - Carl is responsible for paying the bills related to the project and noted that he will invoice both the Village of Balsam Lake and Polk County highway for their amounts as noted in the July 31, 2013 Memorandum of Agreement prepared by the Village Attorney.

- **Long Term Work Plan Discussion: (Noted comments)**
 - Howard is working on the East Balsam water flow project. He is requesting preliminary estimates from Ayres and working with Chris Goodin and also Ellen Faulkner.
 - Core sample estimate received from LAWRD, Ray will follow up to receive additional clarification as to the estimates for their what, where, when.
 - Fish Stick discussion; Caroline will talk to members who installed them for a map of their locations.
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NEW BUSINESS:

- **2014 Budget:**
- **2013 Annual Meeting**

FUTURE AGENDA:

- 2014 Bids required for Insurance, AIS Spraying, Harvesting Options, and portable Toilets. Organizational meeting to be held after the annual meeting.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, a motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Carl Holmgren to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 p.m. Approved.

Respectfully submitted:
Carl Holmgren/Secretary

Next meeting: September 21st, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. at the Polk Business Center