



BALSAM LAKE PROTECTION & REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Monthly Meeting Minutes December 16, 2017, 8:30 AM

Polk Business Center Meeting Room

**1) CALL TO ORDER:**

- Tom Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM

**2) COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

- Tom Kelly, Rod Preble, Ray Sloss, Ed McGlynn, Bill Mork, Steve Rediske, Dave Mariani (Teleconference)

**3) OTHERS PRESENT:**

- Bill James

**4) APPROVE AGENDA:**

- Bill Mork motioned to approve the agenda, Ed McGlynn seconded, all approved. Motion carried.

**5) APPROVE MINUTES:**

- Bill Mork motioned to approve the November meeting Minutes, Rod Preble seconded, all approved. Motion carried

**6) PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- None

**7) GENERAL DISCUSSION:**

- Lake District: Two or three people are known to have property on the lake and are not listed as members of the Lake District. A comprehensive study is needed to determine if other residents are also missing. Primary reasons, voting eligibility and Lake District tax payment. Section 33 which governs lake Districts has guidelines for changing district

boundaries which would solve the issue for those lake shore residents in Pine Island Bay currently not included in the taxation of district members

#### **8) TREASURER REPORT AND PAY CLAIMS:**

- P&L, balance sheet and budget for September were reviewed by the board
- December net income \$52,248
- Commissioner Sloss reported on bills paid:
  - Truck Tires \$1491
  - Harmony Environmental \$1018
  - Purchase of Safe \$399.99 (with a \$44.37 restricted use Menards rebate certificate)
  - Nelson Construction (Harvester Building) \$11,165 and \$19937. Total cost of the building came in at \$47,189. Budget for the building was \$29,120.
- YTD Budget reviewed
- \$64,798 surplus reported in operating fund
- Discussion on insurance/bonding, it was determined that our agent will prepare a report. Bill Mork and Ray Sloss to review policies and report to the board
- Steve Rediske motioned to approve P&L, Balance Sheet and Budget, Bill Mork seconded, all approved, motion carried

#### **9) Water Quality**

- East Balsam Study / McGlynn
  - Probe pulled out of the lake, the one a foot above the bottom worked, proper data was collected. Results:
    - Results of data gathered from probe suggests that there is significant internal loading
    - Previous sediment core studies have also shown internal loading
    - Vertical samples taken in June and August also confirm internal loading potential
    - Probe showed phosphorous loading in certain circumstances. Average level of 2.25 falls in the median range
    - The chlorophyll went anoxic in July and bloom was occurring. This is caused by heavy sediment accumulation.
  - # Cedar Lake HAB Aquatics
    - We are following the low dose alum treatment going on in Cedar Lake to determine the viability for East Balsam's heavy bloom issues.
    - Bill James recommended alum treatment for East Balsam
    - Ed McGlynn to begin scoping a project for East Balsam alum treatment
    - Discussion on timing of proposal to district members if alum is pursued – subject to watershed study results for East Balsam
- Sedimentation - Dredging / Preble
  - Dale Ulbrich now has all information needed for the dredging application to the DNR. He and Rod Preble will be submitting shortly to the new regional DNR director.
- Healthy Lakes Native Plantings / Kelly

- 23 projects were approved and are in the process of construction for 2017. For 2018 expect 19 more.
- Core - Watershed Study / Mariani & Rediske
  - Applications for grant monies were submitted by Polk County this month, we should know if it is successful by March 2018.
- Aquatic Plant Management
  - CLP treatment / Sloss-Preble
    - CLP treatment grant request will be done by February. Ray Sloss may try to invite Matt Berg to our January meeting.
  - CBCW / Sloss
    - Shirts will be acquired for the employees. There will be more coverage in 2018 as funding has been increased.
  - Harvester / Preble
    - No discussion
  - # Harvester Building / Preble
    - Harvester is not in the new building yet as the cement floor is still curing. It will be moved into the building soon.
  - AIS Rapid Response / Mork
    - Rapid Response fund has been increased to \$20,000

**10) OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**11) OTHER REPORTS:**

- Shoreland Ordinance (Kelly)
  - PCLAR is monitoring the development of the proposed legislation. We will monitor communications from PCLAR and Dave Mariani will monitor at the county level.
- Village / Rediske (Preble)
  - New fire truck
  - The USDA sent a representative to the village on 1/8 to talk about egg oiling and goose round up. Will need volunteers.
  - One full time and one part time officer to be added
- County / Mariani
  - Shoreland ordinance is the primary focus at this time.

**12) NEW BUSINESS:**

- None

**13) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- None

**14) ADJOURN:**

- Ray Sloss motioned to adjourn, Bill Mork seconded, all approved. Meeting Adjourned