



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

BALSAM LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

**Regular Meeting March 21st, 2015
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: Ray Sloss, Carl, Holmgren and Howard Seim.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Bill Mork, Ed McGlynn, Glen Jones and Rod Preble

OTHERS PRESENT: Mindi Anderson and Chuck Peterson

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

APPROVE MINUTES: A motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Carl Holmgren to approve the minutes from February 21st, 2015 with corrections. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Discussed later on

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Wisconsin Lakes Convention; Carl will do the registrations and make room reservations. Commissioners need to forward to Carl if attending and what sessions they want to attend. Will be leaving around 1:00. Still need to hear from Ed McGlynn and Bill Mork.
- Carl is running for Village President.
- Easter Egg hunt in Pine Park is at 10:00 put on the by Balsam Lake Fire Department

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Carl reported that as of March 21st, 2015 we had a Bank Balance of \$117,899.78 (includes Checking, Protection Fund Checking, and Savings) and payment of Claims totaling \$648.83 for the period February 22nd thru March 21st, 2015.

- A motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Carl Holmgren to approve the Treasurer report and pay claims as provided. Approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL: (Rod / Carl)**
 - We got the permit back so we are ready to roll
 - Informed Matt Berg but we have not heard back from him yet.
 - Loren is watching the lake temp
- **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATER: (Carl)**
 - Will be having landing leaders
 - Will be a 75/25 program
 - April 11th from 10-12 will be the training day
- **DOCKSIDE NEWSLETTER: (Ray)**
 - Will be mailed out the week of March 23rd sometime
- **PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS:**
 - Balsam Lake Village: (Glen)**
 - No report
 - Polk County: (Carl)**
 - Things are moving along, into summer session
- **BLPRD PUBLIC INFORMATION: (Ray)**
 - Nothing.
- **SEDIMENTATION PROJECT: (Howard / Rod)**
 - Were out and took the samples on March 9th
 - 3 sediment & 3 base material in Raskin Bay
 - 2 sediment & 2 base material in Pine Island Bay
 - Raskin Bay was heavy clay material where Pine Island Bay was a sandier material.

*Chuck Peterson – 136th Pine Island- was on more of a fact finding issue. Wondering what was going on. What direction are we discussing with the dredging project? He wants to know more about the project and give his input from a homeowner.

-Howard noted he had a non-expiring permit which he got from Dan Harrington. Rip Rap permit when bought later-Harrington said that it was ecologically sensitive-environmental fragile area.

Chuck stated that he had a problem with public “piggy backing” on the BLPRD for personal gain. The owners are planning on developing up the hill.

Was discussed that we should write letters and send them out to let the homeowners in that area know what we are doing. Get more public input around the Pine Island area. See more of what the public has to say before we proceed further with this area.

Other Activity:

- Little Balsam: None.
- Sedimentation Basin (1): None
- Raskin Bay: Rod/Howard provided report.

• **WATERFRONT RUNOFF PROGRAM (WRP): (Bill / Ed)**

- None

• **WEBSITE: (Ray)**

- Talking to Julie about adding Tabs.

• **WATERSHED PROTECTION (Ed / Bill / Howard)**

Water Quality:

- None

• **CONSERVANCIES: (Ray)**

- Ray was contacted regarding a property in for-closer on East Balsam. Includes 500 feet of lake front with 11 acres. Looking at per lot \$90,000 to buy both lots it would be \$175,000. Lake protection grant would be a 75/25
- Milt Stanze posed the question, "Why would you do that?"
- Dan Kraft offered to put money towards it for us if we choose to pursue it.
- If we were to proceed with this, it would cost \$2,000-\$4,000 up front, plus we had already missed the deadline for the Lake Restoration Grant (February 1st)

• **LAKE TESTING ACTIVITIES: (Ed and volunteers Milt Stanze and Dick Miller)**

- Secchi Disk Measurement: None.
- Water Temperature: None.
- Chemical Balance: None.

• **BLPRD EXECUTIVE:**

- None

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Update APM Plan**
 - Was discussed earlier.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Conservancy Discussion:** Previously discussed.

FUTURE AGENDA:

- April 18th, 2015 is the next meeting.
- May-June work on budget for 2016
- Bonding Bill

ACTION ITEMS:

- Ray Sloss to contact Aaron Cole for an article in Dock side
- Ray Sloss to get a riparian list to Carl Holmgren.

- Ray to purchase office equipment.
- Ed will contact Milt Stanze about lake testing.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, a motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Carl Holmgren to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Mindi Anderson, Administrative Assistant for
Carl Holmgren Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting: April 18th, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. at the Polk Business Center