



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

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

**Regular Meeting November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
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, Bill Mork, Carl, Holmgren, Glen Jones, Ed McGlynn, and Howard Seim.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Rod Preble

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mindi Anderson

**APPROVE AGENDA:** A motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Glen Jones to approve the agenda. Approved.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** A motion was made by Glen Jones and seconded by Howard Seim to approve the minutes from October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Santa Clause is coming to Town on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> @ Now & Then Photography from 11 - 1.
- Chamber is once again doing a Christmas Day dinner at Indianhead Supper Club from 11 - 1 it is a free will donation. This event is catered by Tinucci's .

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Carl reported that as of November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 we had a Bank Balance of \$37,978.70 (includes Checking, Protection Fund Checking, and Savings) and payment of Claims totaling \$2,602.16 for the period October 19<sup>th</sup> thru November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

A motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Bill Mork to approve the Treasurer report and pay claims as presented with updated balance sheet. Approved.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL:** (Rod / Carl) Rod had prepared written report.
  - Contacted Caroline Rediske to ask her to set up a meeting with her and Darryl Ince to discuss what the Village is willing to commit to in support of Weed Cutting.
    - Are they willing to Store one or more Cutters and possible support Equipment?
    - Equipment Maintenance?
    - Will they pick up and haul clippings from the entire lake?
    - Financial support; any or to what extent?
  - Working to finalize a meeting date for the week of Nov. 18th
  - Caroline forwarded to me Loren Johnson's 9/16/2013 email from Aquarius-Systems with their estimation of equipment costs: \$150K to \$375K, or more.
  - Email sent to Aquarius-Systems to begin discussions on more detailed Quote to establish Budgetary Estimates.
    - Can they help with determining number of Cutters and Support Equipment?
  - Information will be used to develop a formal competitive Bid Request.
  - Still need to look into grants available.
- **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATER:** (Carl)
  - Submitting Grant payment request (\$11,856.46) for 2014 activity.
  - Applied for 2015 CBCW Grant money.
- **DOCKSIDE NEWSLETTER:** (Ray)
  - It went out.
- **PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS:**
  - Balsam Lake Village:** (Glen)
    - Village budget approved.
    - Caroline Rediske has gotten a grant for part of playground equipment for down at Pine Park.
    - Smart growth committee has 2 companies that are interested in the grocery store. One of them is the Piggly Wiggly.
  - Polk County:** (Carl)
    - Finalizing the 2015 budget.
- **BLPRD PUBLIC INFORMATION:** (Ray)
  - none
- **SEDIMENTATION PROJECT:** (Howard / Rod / volunteers Milt Stanze / Greg Moore)
  - **Little Balsam:** None.
  - **Sedimentation Basin (1):** None
  - **Raskin Bay:** Rod is doing research.

- **WATERFRONT RUNOFF PROGRAM (WRP):** (Bill / Ed)
  - Carl noted that he is submitting a payment request (\$1,817.59) for past work completed.
  - Working on summary report as requested by Jane M. with WDNR.
  - Requested but have not received WRP Grant extension for the \$19,937.17 balance.
  
- **WEBSITE:** (Ray)
  - Dockside is up.
  - New minutes are up.
  
- **WATERSHED PROTECTION** (Ed / Bill / Howard)
  - **Water Quality:**
    - Will talk to Bill James to see if he would be willing to come to the December meeting and give a presentation.
    - Update our 5 year plan
    - Dredging or Alum is our only choice because of all the phosphorus in the water.
    - We have a time line from Bill James; ask him to see if he could be a little bit more specific when it comes to the final results as it would be nice to get the results so we have them in time for the annual meeting.
    - Land & Water-Eric W. asked if we would be willing to extend our contract until early spring because of the early snow that we got this year.
    - It was agreed to let them push their collecting soil samples until early spring but ask them to have their final report due on June 1<sup>st</sup> so we have those results in time for the annual meeting.
  
- **CONSERVANCIES:** (Ray)
  - Ray sent our bid requests to three local tree services contractors to look at the Deaver Property and give a proposal for how much to drop & remove 3 trees.
  - Reitens was the only respondent with a quoted price of \$1,337.00 to drop and remove the 3 trees.
  - A motion was made by Carl Holmgren and seconded by Ray Sloss to approve the contract with Reitens Tree Service to drop & remove 3 trees off the Deaver Property. Approved.
  
- **LAKE TESTING ACTIVITIES:** (Ed and volunteers Milt Stanze and Dick Miller)
  - **Secchi Disk Measurement:** None.
  - **Water Temperature:** None.
  - **Chemical Balance:** None.
  
- **BLPRD EXECUTIVE:**
  - Will be an executive meeting held after the regular meeting on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Update APM Plan**
  - The meeting was held on 11/04/14 with active participation. See minutes from the meeting.
  - Dates scheduled are March 4<sup>th</sup>, March 25<sup>th</sup>, April 15<sup>th</sup>, and May 6<sup>th</sup>. The meetings will be held in the Polk Business Conference Room from 7 – 9 p.m.

- **2015 Bids**

**Toilets:** Current bid with El Stinko is good through 12/31/15.

**Insurance:** We will continue with Community Insurance for all our insurance needs.

**Herbicide Application:**

- Requesting 5 year bids to cover 2015 – 2020 time periods.
- Advertised in the Ledger.
- Mailed bid forms to both Clean Lakes and Lake Restoration as they requested.

**Mapping**

- A motion was made by Ray Sloss and seconded by Ed McGlynn to continue with the lake mapping and to keep using Bio Base as our data collection agency. Approved.

- **Awards Banquet**

- Will be held at Paradise Landing on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 5:00. Beverages are not covered.
- Carl will contact and invite past Commissioners Caroline Rediske, Loren Johnson, and Dave Wagner regarding date and time.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**FUTURE AGENDA:**

- Bill James to speak
- Executive meeting to follow regular meeting to discuss by-laws.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Bill Mork will contact Bio Base about our continuing with the lake mapping and request invoice.
- Ed McGlynn will talk to Bill James about coming to our December meeting.
- Ray Sloss to do a follow up with Land & Water to talk about delaying sample testing until next spring and having due date of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 for a final report.
- Ray Sloss to do a follow up with Land & Water to talk about a June 1<sup>st</sup> date for final report for putting off samples until spring.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Howard Seim and seconded by Bill Mork to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Approved.

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Mindi Anderson, Administrative Assistant for**

**Carl Holmgren Secretary/Treasurer**

**Next meeting: December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at the Polk Business Center**