



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

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

**Regular Meeting September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Polk Business Center Meeting Room**

### **MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Ray Sloss.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Ray Sloss, Bill Mork, Carl, Holmgren, Rod Preble, Glen Jones and Ed McGlynn.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Howard Seim

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mindi Anderson

**APPROVE AGENDA:** A motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Glen Jones to approve the amend agenda adding Review of 2015 bids under new business. Approved.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** A motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Glen Jones to approve the minutes from July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Approved.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- WDNR did a Dam inspection and no issues were found with the dam.
- Glen noted that Chris Nelson (Balsam Lake Area Chamber of Commerce) is encouraging everyone to write letters to support for a new grocery store in Balsam Lake.
- Carl noted the requested increase to AIS Grant ACEI-102-12 was approved and will be submitting payment request as grant expires 12/31/14.
- Ray noted the BioBase mapping software subscription is due and where our mapping data is stored for Little Balsam. Bill Mork will talk to Dave Wagner and get information of the mapping that has been done, retainage options, and to learn more about BioBase and equipment purchased for future use. Now known as the Topography Project.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Carl reported that as of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 we had a Bank Balance of \$51,996.98 (includes Checking, Protection Fund Checking, and Savings) and payment of Claims totaling \$42,943.90 for the period July 20<sup>th</sup> thru September 20<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. Approved.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

**CHAIR:** Ray Sloss

**VICE CHAIR:** Bill Mork

**SECRETARY/TREASURER:** Carl Holmgren

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Committee Assignments:** Following discussion members accepted various assignments.

- **AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL:** (Rod / Carl)
  - None
- **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATER:** (Carl)
  - In summary, this was a slow year with 505 inspection hours, 834 boats inspected, and 1,834 people contacted. Smallest numbers since 2007.
  - Noted that current grant expires 12/31/14 and will be submitting payment request after invoice from Village is received and paid.
  - Will be submitting grant request for next year. New program that is landing specific versus lake specific.
  - Reviewing options for homeowner volunteers next year aside from Unity students.
- **DOCKSIDE NEWSLETTER:** (Ray)
  - Will go out next month. (Articles due October 1<sup>st</sup>.)
  - Has 3 articles, Carl will submit another one for Clean Boats Clean Waters.
- **PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS:**
  - Balsam Lake Village:** (Glen)
    - Held a public open forum 09/17/14 regarding the concerns for a Village grocery store.
    - Will be sending someone down to grocery store meeting in Wisconsin Dells later this year to see if we can get someone to come up.
    - Homeowners around the Milltown came up with some money and new docks will be going in over in the Millpond
    - Cameras are down at the beach and the park now.
  - Polk County:** (Carl)
    - None
- **BLPRD PUBLIC INFORMATION:** (Ray)
  - none

- **SEDIMENTATION PROJECT:** (Howard / Rod / volunteers Milt Stanze / Greg Moore)
  - **Little Balsam:**
    - None
  - **Sedimentation Basin (1):** None
  - **Raskin Bay:** Next meeting will work on moving forward.
- **WATERFRONT RUNOFF PROGRAM (WRP):** (Bill / Ed)
  - None.
- **WEBSITE:** (Ray)
  - Updated recently
- **WATERSHED PROTECTION** (Ed / Bill / Howard)
  - Water Quality:**
    - Cheryl Clemens said that St. Croix Water Shed should get the approval and if they do we would be able to piggy back on that for federal grants.
    - Requirement for funding request is completing our 5 year plan.
    - A motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Ray Sloss to proceed with the Bill James proposal to study East Balsam Alum treatment. Approved by unanimous vote to accept and proceed on University of Wisconsin, Stout's Engineering study for the East Balsam Water Quality project.
- **CONSERVANCIES:** (Ray)
  - None
- **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:**

- **Long Term Work Plan Discussion:**
  - Discussed proposal from Harmony Environmental (Cheryl Clemens) to update our APM plan and agreed to proceed as schedule allows.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Selection of Areas of Interest:** Completed on committee assignments.
- **2015 Bids**
  - **Toilets:** Current bid with El Stinko is good through 12/31/15.
  - **Insurance:** Carl noted that we will advertise for bids, however we only receive information from our current insurer, Community Insurance (Milltown). Will request updated premium information.
  - **Herbicide Application:** Requested and received a 5 year proposal (2015 – 2020 ) from our 2014 applicator Clean Lakes, Inc. Noted that we will advertise for a 5 year bid proposal from previous vendors as well.

**FUTURE AGENDA:**

- Bids

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Bill Mork: Discuss lake barometric with Dave Wagner. Make recommendation to board whether to continue funding
- Ray Sloss: Publish volunteer's for CBCW in Dockside.
- Ray Sloss: Add CBCW link to website.
- Ray Sloss: Change Ed McGlynn's address to lake address
- Carl: Draft bid forms for review.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Ed McGlynn and seconded by Glen Jones to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 a.m. Approved.

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Mindi Anderson, Administrative Assistant for**

**Carl Holmgren Secretary/Treasurer**

**Next meeting: October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Polk Business Center**