



WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT



P.O. Box 301
Whitewater, WI 53190

MEMO

TO: Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board Members
FROM: Mary Mesmer, Municipal Clerk *Mary Mesmer*
DATE: March 5, 1997
RE: Notes from the February 13, 1997 Meeting

Due to lack of a quorum, the regular meeting of the Board was not officially called to order. Board members Jim Stevenson and Boris Marohnich were in attendance, along with property owner Dr. Bob Holland, Brian from Marine Biochemists and Tyler Koschnick from SePRO Corporation.

Brian from Marine Biochemists presented a proposal for Eurasian Water Milfoil Treatment Program for Whitewater Lake (copy enclosed). The recommended proposal will be in conjunction with the weed harvesting program. Three compounds (Sonar SRP, AquaKleen and SEE 2,4-D LV4) will be applied in large block areas for a total of approximately 15 to 20 acres. The areas to be treated will be in the East lobe, North end and Isabel's Bay. It is anticipated that these three compounds will provide longer lasting control of nuisance plants and that native plant species will take over areas previously dominated by Eurasian Water Milfoil.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will require a permit for the applications, public notice about the treatment plan, and monitoring by water samples.

Tyler Koschnick, SePRO representative, noted that Sonar SRP has been regularly used on large lakes in Florida and Texas. The chemical is relatively new to Wisconsin and SePRO is excited to be working with the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District. Sonar SRP is applied in late April-early May and "attacks" the root of the Eurasian Water Milfoil plant and kills off the plant during the 4 to 6 week contact time. SePRO has agreed to provide an additional 80 pounds of Sonar SRP at no charge, to allow for approximately 20 acres to be treated.

It was recommended that Brian and Tyler work directly with the Weed Spraying Committee and that Committee can report back to the entire Board. Brian and Tyler noted that Board members are welcome to call either of them at any time with questions.

Jim Stevenson thanked Brian and Tyler for attending the meeting.

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

March 13, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:31 p.m. Board members present: Boris Marohnich, Bernie Tangney, Richard Kuhnke, and Jim Stevenson. Property owners present: Rich Gunter, Bill Norris, Tony Willegal, Mark Ogan, and Muriel Schrock.

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The minutes of the November 14, 1996 meeting were reviewed. There being no additions or corrections, Richard Kuhnke made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Treasurer reports Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$100,407.12 and current Accounts Payable of \$102.21. Treasurer reported that Accounts Payable in the amount of \$3,941.56 had been paid during the period of November 15, 1996 and February 24, 1997 (reports attached). It was noted that check #638 in the amount of \$159.53 was actually made payable to Mary **Schultz**, not Mesmer. It was also noted that check #640 to Ralph Henning was actually an **amendment** to the rental lease. The treasurer also presented Board members with copies of the year-end statements (reports attached). Boris Marohnich made a motion to approve the payment of the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$102.21 and approve the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter presented Board members with an update, noting that he had contacted some of the members and hopes to have contacted all members within the next 2 weeks and to have a committee meeting within 2-3 weeks. He noted he had searched the Internet for information, but had limited success of other reported bog cases. Rich also noted he had contacted the Science/Biology Department at Badger High School as a potential project for the advanced placement biology students. This would entail gathering data and an environmental impact analysis. Rich noted a projected "course of action" for the committee: define the goals and objectives of the committee; define what the Whitewater Lake "Bogs" technically are; present an implementation strategy to the Property Owner's Board for discussion; meet with the UW-Whitewater Biology Department Chair and the Badger High School Science Department Chair; research DNR regulations concerning wetlands and waterways; begin analysis of bogs as soon as weather and conditions permit. The committee will look towards "gratis" sources, if possible. It was also noted that the committee could contact the UW-Extension and Wisconsin Association of Lakes.

J STEVENSON NOTED THAT THE BOARD COULD AUTHORIZE FUNDS AS APPROPRIATE

Harvesting and Equipment Committee - Chairman Stevenson noted that Roy Sheahan is out-of-town. Mr. Stevenson noted that he had sent a memo to all members of the Harvesting and Equipment Committee regarding possible changes in our harvesting

"philosophy". A few of the ideas are to enhance the services at Rice Lake; get in behind the island at the south lobe and crop the top 24" of the milfoil; publish a schedule for weed pick up, similar to the township's schedule for brush pick up. Jim Stevenson noted this committee will present a report at the next meeting.

Jim Stevenson had contacted Ron Fero regarding the District's use of the Township of Whitewater roads and ramps. Ron noted that the advice from the Town of Whitewater counsel is that there is not a problem in using the roads and ramps. Jim did send a formal request to the Town of Whitewater requesting the Township Board's approval for the District to use the roads and ramps.

It was noted that JNT may have a possible buyer for the 90hp outboard motor. Jim Stevenson made a motion to authorize Roy and ~~Bob~~ ^{BERNIE} to dispose of this equipment at the best possible price. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

Weed Spraying Committee - Boris Marohnich reported that a representative from SePro was at last month's meeting to introduce a new product, Sonar SRP. The Weed Spraying Committee did meet and they do not feel that Sonar SRP is feasible for our lakes at this time. He noted the DNR is "luke warm" to Sonar SRP and the cost to treat 14.5 acres would be double our current costs. The committee has decided to put Sonar SRP on the back burner at this time and to use the same chemicals (2-4-D) / philosophy as last year. A permit of \$10,000 for spraying will be received and an additional 12 acres can be treated if needed. Boris noted the spraying will take place in late May.

Jim Stevenson noted he had sent a letter to Boris regarding the suggestion that was made at the Annual Meeting that the District should purchase our own spraying equipment. At the meeting the Board said we would look into this possibility. Jim would like the Board to take an official position on this so that he can include this in the April newsletter. The committee has determined that purchasing our own equipment and treating the lake ourselves is not feasible. After brief discussion, Bernie Tangney made a motion that the Board does not recommend the purchase of our own weed spraying equipment. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson reported that walleye will be stocked in Whitewater Lake this year and northern next year. He does not, however, have this in writing from the DNR. Bernie Tangney asked about stocking in Rice Lake. Jim will check into this. Jim also noted that the funds budgeted for fish stocking could be used for fish habitat creation if not used for stocking.

Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson noted that 8 copies of the plan had been received with the other 30 to be coming in the next week. Each Board member will receive a copy. There will be 6 extra copies which will be stored with Mary Mesmer.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted that all Board members have received a copy of the Annual Meeting minutes. If any Board member has any additions or corrections, they should contact Mary Mesmer.

Jim Stevenson reported on the Weevil Project, noting that additional funds are needed for this research. Whitewater Lake is one of 12 lakes being studied. Each lake has been asked for an additional \$1,000 for this project. Bernie Tangney made a motion that the Board approve the Weevil Project and approve the additional \$1,000. Seconded by Jim Stevenson, the motion carried.

The annual Wisconsin Lakes Association convention will be held on April 3rd-5th. Bernie Tangney will be attending.

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PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District will be on Thursday, April 10, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

April 10, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:31 p.m. Board members present: Charles Cruse, Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Ron Fero, Roy Sheahen and Richard Kuhnke. Property owners and others present: Vern and Aletha Ludtke, Tony Willegal and Bob Nowak.

The minutes of the March 13, 1997 meeting were reviewed. Jim Stevenson noted that the minutes should reflect that Charles Cruse was in attendance. It was also noted that page 2, paragraph 3 should read "Roy and **Bernie**" not "Bob". Paragraph 1 of Weed Spraying Committee should reflect that "\$10,000 has been budgeted for weed spraying and that \$1,390 was for the permit for spraying". Page 3, paragraph 3 should read "**Bernie and his wife**". There being no other additions or corrections, Charles Cruse made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Treasurer reports Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$100,262.91 and current Accounts Payable of \$14,439.06 (report attached), with additional Accounts Payable of \$150.00 to U. S. Postmaster for newsletter mailing. Ron Fero made a motion to approve the payment of Accounts Payable in the total amount of \$14,589.06. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment Committee - Roy Sheahen reported he had checked the machinery and there was a flat tire on the pickup truck. All batteries checked out OK. A new horizontal cutting blade is needed for the 7' harvester. Roy and Bob Nowak will get the pickup in good operational condition. Roy noted it is about a month early to look at the weed condition of the lakes.

Jim Stevenson asked Roy if the committee had an opportunity to discuss the possible change in philosophy of harvesting and Roy noted that they had not yet met. The committee will get together and report at the next meeting.

Jim Stevenson noted that he had sent a formal request to the Whitewater Town Board for the use of public landings. He has received approval from the Board. The 90hp outboard motor had not been sold. It was suggested that an ad be placed in the paper.

Ron Fero noted that if the ski team chooses to use the Castelveccchi site for practices, they will provide the Lake Management District with their schedule in order to not have the harvesting equipment in that area during practices.

Roy Sheahen noted that he had talked with Nate Wendt about the possibility of Nate returning for the summer to work on the crew. Roy had offered Nate 50 cents an hour increase and Nate was to get back to Roy by Monday, April 14th. There was discussion about whether to offer Nate a total increase of \$1.00 over last year's rate in order to have him return this year. After brief discussion, Roy Sheahen made a motion to offer Nate another 50 cents and hour for his rate increase to be a total of \$1.00/hour over last year's rate. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried. It was also noted that the committee will talk with Dan Sable from UW-Whitewater Biology Department to see if there are any internships for the summer.

Weed Spraying Committee - Boris Marohnich was not in attendance at the meeting so there is no report.

Budget and Finance Committee - Bernie Tangney noted there is nothing to report.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson reported that budgeted funds could be used for fish habitation. Dale Poeppel has been in contact with a firm in Wisconsin inquiring on "Aqua Crib". Dale is looking into the possibility of putting a 5/10 cluster on the east side of Round Lake to improve the fishing.

Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson noted that when Board members retire, the copy of the Lake Management Plan that they have should be passed on to the new Board member. Mary Mesmer has the copy of the plan for the harvesting crew and she will have it laminated.

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter was not in attendance at the meeting so there was no report. Bernie Tangney did note that he had gathered information on bogs at the convention and will have it forwarded to Rich.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted that the newsletter will be mailed out next week. The next newsletter will need to be mailed by July 1st with information on the Annual Meeting. We will need to publish the proposed budget so action on the proposed budget will need to take place at the June meeting of the Board. We will also need to publish a list of candidates for the Board. Charles Cruse and Jim Stevenson will be on the ballot and Walt Hicks agreed to obtain two additional candidates.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted that last year there was some confusion between Whitewater and Richmond Township employees where to place the buoys. Ron Fero noted that Whitewater Township employees have a map of where to place, but Richmond may not

ROY WILL PROVIDE A MAP TO WALLY McMANAWAY.

have a map. Both Townships are advised of when the barge will be out to place the buoys. Ron also noted that both Townships have purchased new buoys.

Jim Stevenson noted he had received information from UW-Extension on the Adopt-A-Lake Program. This information was passed on to Mary Mesmer.

Charles Cruse reported on the progress by the Greater Whitewater Lake Property Owners Association in their preparation of the celebration the first Sunday in June. He noted that he had previously asked the Board for support in the cost of printing the books. The Board had approved this for an amount to be determined after all the costs have been determined. Charles noted that First Citizens State Bank was providing \$800 for the luncheon and Commercial Bank was going to match those funds. The Town of Whitewater will be providing \$1,200. Charles asked the Board to approve to provide \$500 for this project. The Property Owners Association would be funding the balance. Charles Cruse made a motion that the Board commit \$500.00 to the Greater Whitewater Lake Property Owners Association. Seconded by Roy Sheahan, the motion carried. Mary Mesmer was directed to send a letter to Anna Benjamin to this effect.

Ron Fero noted that the Town of Whitewater will be holding Community Days on Saturday, June 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Last year the Lake Management District had a table providing information. Ron asked for a representative of the Lake Management District to cover the table. Charles Cruse noted that he would be there, but with the Property Owners Association. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Ron Fero noted that he was elected as the Town of Whitewater Chair and that Norm Prusener will be taking Ron's seat on the Board, starting with the May meeting.

Bernie Tangney reported on the Wisconsin Lakes Association Convention he and his wife attended in Stevens Point on April 3rd to 5th. He noted the convention was very good with an enormous amount of information. He noted that it was very worthwhile and he felt he would be a better Board member as a result of attending.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Walt Hicks had a question about the pellets used for weed control. He was directed to ask Boris Marohnich about this.

Bob Nowak inquired about the weevil project and Jim Stevenson noted that the weevil is naturally in the lake. The study is on-going and he noted that in the spring small test plots will be blocked out and large doses of weevils will be injected. This will be studied over the summer and a report will be received next spring, along with recommendations.

Bob Nowak noted that he and Tony Willegal had taken a quick tour of the lake to take a look at the weeds. He noted that the north end by Isabel's Bay was the heaviest.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District will be on Thursday, May 8, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Mesmer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

May 8, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:30 p.m. Board members present: Charles Cruse, Norm Prusener, Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Boris Marohnich, and Richard Kuhnke. Property owners and others present: Tony Willegal, Dale Poeppel, and Bob Nowak.

The minutes of the April 10, 1997 meeting were reviewed. Jim Stevenson noted that the discussion of the placement of buoys should reflect that Roy Sheahen will make sure that Wally at Richmond Township would have a map of the buoy placement. There being no additional changes or corrections, Boris Marohnich made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended. Seconded by Bernie Tangney, the motion carried.

Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$86,378.71 and current Accounts Payable of \$352.40 (report attached) with additional Accounts Payable of \$259.00 to Mary Schultz for newsletter printing, \$11.22 to Cellular One and \$500.00 to the Greater Whitewater Lakes Property Owners Association. Roger Kuhnke made a motion to approve the payment of Accounts payable in the total amount of \$1,122.62. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Bernie Tangney reported that he is going to investigate the possibility of constructing a storage shed on Whitewater Township property. Charles Cruse noted he had information on when this was looked in to before. Bernie will work on this and report to the Board at the June meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment Committee - Charles Cruse reported that Roy Sheahen had a meeting of this committee. Nate Wendt has agreed to return and work on the harvesting crew this season. Parts for the harvester were ordered and received from D and D. The parts have been installed. Prop was ordered from JNT Marina and has been picked up. The 90hp outboard motor will be kept and used for a backup. The committee has agreed to purchase part of the gas at JNT Marina. The flat tire on the pickup truck has been fixed and new brake lines installed. More channels will be cut on Rice Lake and some cutting will be done behind the island at the south lobe. Additional shoreline cleanup will be done with the 7' harvester. Weed pickup will be done on Monday mornings in the area that the harvester will be working. Charles Cruse made a motion that the District retain the 90hp outboard motor for a backup. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Weed Spraying Committee - Boris Marohnich reported that he and Bob Holland had taken a look at the lake in regards to weeds. The only visible weeds at this time are behind the island. He reported the level of the lake is much higher than last year and it is still going over the dam. Boris noted that Marine BioChemists will spray when the time is right.

Budget and Finance Committee - Bernie Tangney had nothing to report. He did, however, ask Norm Prusener if he would like to serve on this committee and Norm did agree.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson noted that the DNR has agreed to stock walleye and northern pike in Whitewater Lake. He has not received word on the stocking in Rice Lake. Dale Poeppel inquired about using funds to improve fish habitat. He has received information from Great Lakes Products in Elm Grove on a crib system. "Aqua Crib" is made of light weight plastic and is dropped into 15' water. It is anchored by a concrete block. It is undetectable by fish locators and is an effective spawning ground. Dale would like to purchase 10 to 12 of the cribs and place on the east side of Round Lake and see how they work. A permit will need to be obtained from the DNR. Jim Stevenson made a motion that the Board approve \$1,500 for the Aqua Crib Project for the east side of Round Lake. The motion was seconded by Charles Cruse. Bernie Tangney asked about Rice Lake. Dale Poeppel noted that Rice Lake sometimes freezes out and the DNR is afraid of stocking it. Jim Stevenson noted that more cutting will be done in the middle of Rice Lake as recommended by SEWRPC. After brief discussion the motion was carried, with Bernie Tangney abstaining. Jim Stevenson will contact the DNR for permit application.

Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson is recommending that this committee be disbanded. Jim asked Mary Mesmer to send a thank you letter to Dan Sable at UW-Whitewater. Jim Stevenson made a motion to disband the Lake Management Plan Committee. Seconded by Norm Prusener, the motion carried.

*Bill Norris
Bob Hollans*

Bernie Tangney asked to re-open the discussion of the Aqua Crib Project under the Fish Stocking Committee report. After brief discussion, Jim Stevenson and Charles Cruse rescinded their motion. Jim Stevenson made a motion that the Board authorize up to \$1,500.00 to investigate permit application, grants, and purchase cribs for the Aqua Crib Project. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried with Bernie Tangney abstaining.

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter was not in attendance so their was no report.

Nominating Committee - Walt Hicks was not in attendance so their was no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted that the Whitewater Township will be having Community Day on Saturday, June 14th. The Township has asked the Lake Management District to have a table on that day. Jim asked for a volunteer from the Board to work the table. Bernie Tangney agreed to represent the District along with his wife, Linda. Mary Mesmer agreed to help Bernie and Linda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson asked Mary Mesmer to send a letter to Ron Fero thanking him for his service on the Board.

Jim Stevenson had received information from UW-Stevens Point on a Lake Water Quality Program. The District is already participating in the Self-Help Program. Bernie Tangney will check into this matter.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Dale Poeppel noted that Laursen's Campground had changed hands and a new building was being constructed. He has not seen any erosion control fencing at this site and asked about this. ^{Richard} Roger Kuhnke will check into it with the County.

Bob Nowak reported that the pickup truck has been fixed and has been filled up with fuel and oil. The cutter for the 7' harvester has been received. Bob noted that the dump truck is not dumping. Bob will take it back to Burlington. He thinks it just needs an adjustment. Tony Willegal, Nate Wendt, Scott Fero and Bob Nowak will be the harvesting crew this season. Bob will be out of town from May 19th to June 2nd. Roy Sheahen will fill in for Bob during his absence. The equipment will go in to the water after Memorial Day. All machinery is running good.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District will be on Thursday, June 12, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

Charles Cruse made a motion that the meeting adjourn at 8:47 p.m. Seconded by Jim Stevenson, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

June 12, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:32 p.m. Board members present: Norm Prusener, Roy Sheahen, Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Boris Marohnich, Charlie Cruse, and Richard Kuhnke. Property owners and others present: ~~Walt Hicks~~, Bob Nowak, Muriel Schrock, and Vic Schrock. *SCOTT HATCHETT*

The minutes of the May 8, 1997 meeting were reviewed. It was noted that under "Lake Management Plan" Jim Stevenson asked Mary Mesmer to send thank you letters to **Bill Norris** and **Bob Holland**, not Dan Sable. Boris Marohnich made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$83,793.94 and current Accounts Payable of \$773.65 (report attached) with additional Accounts Payable of \$8.18 to Bob Nowak and a pending invoice from Frawley Oil. Jim Stevenson made a motion to approve the payment of Accounts Payable pending the receipt of the invoice from Frawley Oil. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

Boris Marohnich made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Norm Prusener, the motion carried.

Jim Stevenson made a motion to approve the UW-Stevens Point Invoice in the amount of \$2,250 for the Weevil Project. Seconded by Norm Prusener, the motion carried.

Bernie Tangney reported he had done some research on the pole building issue since the last meeting. He provided some "rough" figures to the Board for the construction of a Lake Management District owned pole building. This information will be discussed under Committee Reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment Committee - Roy Sheahen reported that the equipment was put into the lake on May 27th. Bob Nowak was out of the country and Roy and the crew handled the operations until June 2nd when Bob took over. D & D made changes to the 7' harvester and it works fine. The dump truck is in good working condition and the crew has had very little "down" time. Gary Schwartz has been hired as the fourth crew person.

To date the 7' harvest has taken out 38 loads, at 3,000 pounds per load, which equals ~~56 1/4~~ 57 tons. The 10' harvester, to date, has taken out 53 loads, at 6,640 pounds per load, which equals 175.6 tons. The weeds are light with algae noted at the south end. As of this date there are very few problems.

Jim Stevenson asked that Roy Sheahen be publicly thanked for leading the harvesting crew during Bob Nowak's absence. Roy was reimbursed for his services and the Board is aware of this.

Weed Spraying Committee - Boris Marohnich wanted to thank Bernie Tangney for surveying both lakes for weeds. Boris reported that 27.5 acres were sprayed today, June 12, 1997, with 2-4-D. He did receive complaints that the fish were spawning and the concern about spraying. Bernie noted that the 2-4-D was not toxic to fish. Total expenditure of the spraying was \$8,311.00, which included the permits of \$1,200.

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SERVE ON CHEMICAL TREATMENT COMMITTEE IN FUTURE,
REPRESENTING RICR LAKE*

Budget and Finance Committee - Bernie Tangney presented a proposed budget for 1998. He noted that when preparing the budget, we had not had a full year with 2 harvesting machines and 4 crew members. Bernie noted that the Board had determined it was economical to maintain the old outboard motor to use as a "reserve" if needed.

Bernie noted that the Weed Spraying budget is proposed to increase to \$12,000, an increase of \$2,000 over the 1997 budget. Bernie also noted the proposed \$5,000 for a contingency fund for unforeseen items.

There was brief discussion regarding certificates of deposit for equipment replacement and possible pole building and whether to change the present tax levy to District property owners. It was noted that the proposed budget needs to be published in the July newsletter and does need Board's approval prior to publishing. Norm Prusener made a motion to approve the proposed budget. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Bernie Tangney reported on his research into the District building and owning a pole building for storage of equipment. He noted that the local contractors are very busy and it was difficult to receive information. However, a pole building with metal siding and a 6" concrete floor will cost approximately \$40,000 to \$45,000. This includes no permit fees or conditions with the Township of Whitewater. We currently rent adequate storage space from Ralph Henning for \$2,300/year. Bernie is recommending that we propose at the Annual Meeting to release \$10,455 into the general fund and look at the possibility of a pole building in the future, if needed.

Bernie Tangney made a motion that the Board not pursue the possibility of a pole building and to release the funds allocated for a pole building back into the general budget. Charles Cruse seconded the motion, which carried on a majority vote, with Roy Sheahen opposing.

Bernie Tangney noted that the annual audit will be completed by July 10th. It was noted that three property owners need to serve on the Audit Committee. Muriel Schrock was asked to serve on the committee and she did agree. It was noted that Mardell Winters may also serve on the committee. Jim Stevenson will appoint property owners to this committee.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson reported that the permit for the cribs had been applied for. Richard Kuhnke will check with the County to see if a permit is needed. Jim also reported that the DNR will stock 8,000 fingerling Walleyes in Whitewater Lake this year, with Northerns stocked every other year. Northerns will be stocked into Rice Lake every few years, determined by the DNR.

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter was not present so there was no report.

Nominating Committee - Walt Hicks reported that the committee is comprised of himself, Muriel Schrock and Gary Marvin. Charles Cruse and Jim Stevenson will be running for re-election. Paul Laursen will also be running and the committee will have at least one other candidate by the time of the July newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS:

Millfoil Study - Jim Stevenson reported that UW-Stevens Point is in the process of breeding weevils to be placed in Whitewater Lake. These will be positioned in the west lobe, by the State park. The plots will be marked by 4 flagged buoys. This information will be contained in the July newsletter asking boaters to respect the designated areas.

Whitewater Township Community Days - Bernie and Linda Tangney represented the Lake Management District at Community Days on May 30th from 10:00 to 2:00.

NEW BUSINESS:

Scott Hatchett from Camp Joy was at the meeting to present his concern of the retaining wall that replaced the rock wall at the Camp Joy property, due to septic system replacement. He noted there has been objection to the retaining wall from the Land Conservation Department. He noted that a permit was needed and that Camp Joy was not aware of this prior to replacing the rock wall and did not receive a permit. They are willing to pay for the permit and fine, but there is a possibility that the entire retaining wall will need to be removed. If this does occur, Camp Joy will lose the septic system that was replaced. Mr. Hatchett was present to ask for the support of the Lake Management District of the retaining wall.

Bernie Tangney made a motion that the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District write a letter stating that the District is in support of the project at Camp Joy that reduces erosion into the lake. Jim Stevenson noted that this is not a Lake Management issue. There was no second.

Jim Stevenson made a motion that the Lake Management District Board is supportive of projects that address erosion control and that the Whitewater-Rice Lake Management

District has no specific objections to the work that has been completed at the Camp Joy property. Seconded by Charles Cruse the motion carried, with Norm Prusener abstaining.

Charles Cruse reported on the 50th anniversary celebration put on by the Greater Whitewater Lake Property Owners Association on June 1st. He noted that it was a great turn out and they received a plaque from the Governor, presented by Representative Stave Nass. Charles did note that there was not representatives from SEWRPC or the DNR. It was also noted that the First Citizens State Bank, Branch, has booklets available for sale.

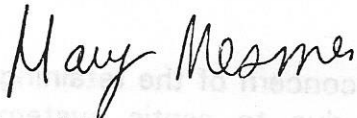
Boris Marohnich noted that Bill Norris should have been recognized at the celebration. The Board publicly thanked Charles Cruse for his work on this 50th anniversary celebration.

PUBLIC INPUT: Muriel and Vic Schrock noted that the notice for this meeting was not in two issues of the Whitewater Register. Municipal Clerk, Mary Mesmer, will ensure that the notice be delivered to the Whitewater Register.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, July 10th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

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July 10, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:32 p.m. Board members present: Norm Prusener, Roy Sheahen, Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Charlie Cruse, and Richard Kuhnke. Property owners and others present: Max Nowak, Bob Nowak, Dick Cooney, Rich Gunter, Nate Wendt, Chris Gasperetti, Jim Gasperetti and Jim Mulcahy.

The minutes of the June 12, 1997 were reviewed. Jim Stevenson noted that on page 2 under the Weed Spraying Committee it should read that Bernie Tangney surveyed Rice Lake for weeds. It was also noted that Walt Hicks was **not** present at the meeting and that 2-4-D was in **pellet form**, not liquid. It was noted that **Scott Hatchett** was a property owner present at the meeting. Bernie Tangney noted that on page 1 under Harvesting and Equipment Committee, the minutes should read, "which equals **57 tons.**", not 56¼ tons. Bernie Tangney made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$84,079.40, and current Accounts Payable \$2,643.41 (report attached) with additional Accounts Payable of \$7,111.00 to Marine Biochemists for weed spraying, and \$155.00 to the U.S. Postmaster for the mailing of the July newsletter. The total Accounts Payable is \$9,909.41. Roger Kuhnke made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of Accounts Payable. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

Jim Stevenson reported that the July newsletter has been prepared and should be at the Post Office on Monday, July 14th. The newsletter includes the Agenda for the Annual Meeting, Budget Detail and Budget Summary and a UW-Extension pamphlet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment - Roy Sheahen reported that the lakes look very good and that Bob Nowak and crew have done a good job. There are hydraulic problems with the 7' harvester, but this is still under warranty. Jeff at J.N.T. Marina is selling the old motor and an ad should be placed in the paper now versus waiting until fall. The 10' harvester is experiencing hydraulic pump problems. D & D can install a new pump for \$2,500. They will keep the old ones, which will save the District 50%. Roy noted that the crew had not received a schedule from the ski team and that cooperation is needed to accommodate the crew and the ski team.

Bob Nowak noted that he had spoken with Ron Fero and had received permission to dump weeds in his pit. Bob also noted 173 loads have been taken out of Whitewater Lake; 82 with the 7' harvester and 91 with the 10' harvester. 38 loads were taken out of Rice Lake during 4 days in June; 18 with the 7' harvester and 20 with the 10' harvester. He noted that these were "heavy" loads.

Bob Nowak reported that the crew had 2 radios that went out. Bernie donated one and the crew had one spare. They are dumping at Verne Lutdkes and at Johnsons. Bob noted that the 6 month maintenance on the truck was done today. This involved filters, hydraulic fluids and painting. A total of 5 hours was spent on this by Hergert Welding. Bernie Tangney made a motion to send a thank you letter to Hergert Welding in appreciation of their service. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

Weed Spraying Committee - Boris Marohnich was not present at the meeting, therefore, there was no report.

Budget and Finance - Bernie Tangney noted that there was nothing of concern to report at this time. The audit will be performed prior to the next Board meeting and a report will be presented.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson noted that the permit for 10 Aqua Cribs was filed and has been approved. There is no permit needed from Walworth County.

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter noted he has met with a couple of the Committee members and that he has been searching for information on the Internet. The Lake Geneva High School Biology Department will be doing a study over the summer. Rich noted that samples of material have been taken and they will proceed with fact finding, scientific studies, etc. Jim Stevenson noted that Rich is on "track" with what the Board would like to see from the Committee. Basically, what are the bogs, is their any ecological/environmental significant, what to do with the bogs, options to get rid of, and funding. Rich noted the Committee will study the bogs over the summer and report to the Board in the fall.

Annual Meeting - Jim Stevenson asked Mary Mesmer to obtain an updated tax roll from Walworth County. Mary has the ballots necessary for the election of Board members. He noted that election tellers are needed. Bernie Tangney noted that his wife, Linda, would be willing to do this and Charles Cruse noted that his wife, Marian, would also serve as a teller. Jim Stevenson noted that his wife, Jerri, may be able to serve as teller.

Jim Stevenson noted that Bernie Tangney will present the Treasurer's Report and proposed Budget. Jim Stevenson will present Committee Reports.

Jim Stevenson noted that he will serve as Parliamentarian if there are no objections. He will also serve as Chair. There were no objections from Board members.

OLD BUSINESS:

Millfoil Study - Jim Stevenson reported that the weevils have been placed in the plots.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson reported that he had received a letter from the Department of Natural Resources dated June 13, 1997. The letter was a concern by property owner Richard Landwehr regarding parking of equipment on the public access parcel. No action was taken by the Board regarding this issue.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Chris and Jim Gasperetti expressed concern over a buoy that was placed by their property on East Lake Shore Drive. They noted that there is a great amount of high speed boat traffic and skiers close to their house. Norm Prusener will check with Ron Fero, Whitewater Township Chairman, on this matter.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, August 14, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

August 14, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:32 p.m. Board members present: Norm Prusener, Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Charlie Cruse, Roy Sheahen, Boris Marohnich, and ~~Richard Kuhnke~~. Property owners and others present: Max Nowak and Bob Nowak.

The minutes of the July 10, 1997 were reviewed. Jim Stevenson noted that on page 2 of the minutes referring to Hergert Welding, it should read that Hergert Welding "**welded the piece on**" not that Hergert Welding did 5 hours of service work, Roy Sheahen made a motion that the minutes be approved as corrected. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$69,097.99, and current Accounts Payable of \$4,468.84 (report attached). Charles Cruse made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of Accounts Payable. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment - Bob Nowak reported on the harvesting crew over the past month. He noted that the conveyor broke and was fixed by Roy Sheahen. Three fan belts were replaced on the dump truck and a new pump installed on the 10 foot harvester. The 7 foot harvester needed a gear adjustment but this did not cause any down time. The crew did move to Rice Lake for 2 days of cutting, taking out 17 loads. Bernie Tangney noted that Rice Lake looks good. Bob Nowak noted that D&D has recommended that the cable controls on the 10 foot harvester be replaced at the end of the season. Bob also noted that Roy Sheahen has jumped in to replace Gary Schwartz. The Board is aware that Roy has been working with the crew.

Norm Prusener reported that at the August 12, 1997 meeting of the Whitewater Town Board, it was decided that from 5:00 p.m. Friday until 6:00 a.m. Monday Lake Management District trucks and equipment will not be allowed to be parked on Cruse Lane and Townline Road access roads. Town Board Chairman, Ron Fero, did prepare a letter to the Lake Management District informing the Board of this decision. Roy Sheahen questioned the possibility of surveying Cruse Lane to determine where the lot lines are. After brief discussion, Jim Stevenson made a motion that Charles Cruse contact the County Surveyor to determine where lot lines are. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Chemical Treatment Committee - Boris Marohnich reported that the lake looks good and the pellets did work. He is recommending \$12,000 be budgeted for chemical treatment next year.

Budget and Finance - Bernie Tangney noted the audit committee completed the audit on July 28th and all is in order.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson noted that 8,000 walleye will be stocked in Whitewater Lake. The permits are in place for the Aqua Cribs.

Bogs Committee - Jim Stevenson noted that Rich Gunter will present a report to the Board in the fall.

OLD BUSINESS:

Millfoil Study - Jim Stevenson reported that there is no update on the study.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted that the DNR has been providing funds for lake monitoring for the past 10 years. Jim suspects that the DNB budget may be cut. He has spoken with the USGS and they are willing to pick up ½ of the cost (\$4,500 total). The DNR does have grant money. Jim noted this is something that the Board will need to look at.

Jim Stevenson noted that the Board will take a look at Mary Mesmer's (Municipal Clerk) salary at the end of the year.

Jim Stevenson reported that Dan Helsel, S.E. District DNR representative, has asked the Lake Management District for a donation to go towards a picnic for individuals in the southeastern section of the state involved in the Self Help Program. Jim Stevenson made a motion that the Lake Management District donate \$50.00 to the Self Help picnic fund. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public input.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, September 11, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
August 16, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 3:47 p.m., immediately following the Annual Meeting. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Charlie Cruse, and Boris Marohnich. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers to serve for the next year.

Bernie Tangney made a motion that Jim Stevenson serve as Chairman, Charles Cruse as Secretary and Bernie Tangney as Treasurer. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

ANNUAL MEETING

August 18, 1997

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. in the Lakeview Elementary School gymnasium by Chairman Jim Stevenson. Chairman Stevenson then introduced the members of the Board present at the meeting: Boris Marohnich, Charles Cruse, and Bernie Tangney, Lake Management District Treasurer. Chairman Stevenson also introduced Bob Nowak, Crew Chief for the harvesting crew.

Jim Stevenson gave a brief overview of the formation of the Lake Management District in 1988-1989. Mr. Stevenson also reviewed the duties and responsibilities of the Lake Management District Board members and noted that the Board members are elected by the property owners of the District.

The minutes of the 1996 Annual Meeting held August 17, 1996, were introduced. Chairman Stevenson asked if there were any objections to dispensing with the oral reading of the minutes and there were none. Mr. Stevenson asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes. Walt Hicks made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Lowell Wilson, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Stevenson introduced Bernie Tangney, Treasurer of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District. Mr. Tangney presented the Net Worth and Income Statement as of year-end, December 31, 1996 (copy attached). Assets totaled \$198,479.53, Liabilities totaled \$17,000.00, with a Net Worth of \$181,479.53. Total Income as of December 31, 1996, was \$122,210.45, total Expenses were \$80,663.71, with a Net Surplus of \$41,546.74.

Mr. Tangney then presented the Treasurer's Report as of August 14, 1997 (copy attached). Assets total \$210,010.86, Liabilities total \$7,500.00, with a Net Worth of \$202,510.86. Total income as of August 16, 1997 is \$84,813.45, total Expenses are \$48,772.35, with a Net Surplus of \$21,031.33.

Treasurer Bernie Tangney reported that the Audit Committee, comprised of Mardell Winter, Muriel Schrock, and Carol Marvin, met on July 28, 1997, and had found the records and accounting from 8/17/96 through 8/14/97 to be fair and accurate.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORTS:

Aquatic Plant Harvesting Committee - Chairman Stevenson reported that as of the end of July, the 10 foot harvester had put in 48 days of harvesting on the lakes and the 7 foot harvester had put in 43 days of harvesting. 786 tons had been removed by the 10 foot with 312 tons removed by the 7 foot. Chairman Stevenson gave comparisons over last year, noting a total this year of 1,098 tons removed versus 768 the prior year. This

accounted for 1,021 pounds of phosphorus this year versus 715 the prior year; 5,597 pounds of nitrogen this year versus 3,919 the prior year. The goal of the harvesting is not just to remove weeds but to remove nutrients to improve water conditions.

Chairman Stevenson reminded property owners present that if they see a problem area or have a concern to *please* contact the Harvesting Committee. Roy Sheahen is the chairman of this committee and decisions are made by the committee. It was stressed that property owners please do not discuss concerns with the crew members.

Chemical Treatment Committee - Chairman Stevenson reported that Marine Biochemists had treated the lakes on June 12, 1997. They treated 27.5 acres on Whitewater Lake and 3.3 acres on Rice Lake. The chemical they used is 2-4-D which is in pellet form. This chemical is a little more expensive, however, more effective. The areas in which the chemical was applied have been weed free. The areas treated are within 100 feet of the shoreline. Mr. Stevenson noted that chemical treatment is not the primary mechanism for weed control.

Fish Stocking and Habitat Committee - Chairman Stevenson reported that the DNR stocked 300 large (12-16 inch) Northern Pike in Whitewater Lake in November. The DNR will be stocking 8,000 fingerling Walleyes into Whitewater Lake. The District will try to persuade the DNR to fund Walleyes on alternating years. The DNR will stock Northern Pike in Rice Lake as they feel is necessary based on the population.

Mr. Stevenson noted that in the fall 10 Aqua Cribs will be placed in Whitewater Lake. These are 4 foot-by-4 foot-by-6 foot plastic "cribs" that float one foot from the bottom of the lake. They are effective in attracting fish. The DNR is backing this project. The Aqua Cribs are placed in areas of at least 15 feet of water and will not interfere with boats, fishers, or skiers.

Weevil Study - Chairman Stevenson reported that in early June, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point placed test plots of weevils at the West Lobe - west side of Ridge Road. The group will be doing annual plant surveys on these plots. In Wisconsin, 41 lakes have been identified with natural weevil existence. Whitewater Lake is one of the 41 lakes. Without artificially injecting an abundance of weevils in the lake, it will take approximately 25 to 30 years for the weevil to come into balance with the Eurasian Watermilfoil. UW-Stevens Point will present a report to the Board in the spring of 1998.

Bogs Committee - Chairman Stevenson noted that this is a new committee of the District with Rich Gunter being the Chairperson. Rich has been working with the Biology Department at Badger High School taking samples of the bogs and doing studies. The group will also work with the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Biology Department, UW-Stevens Point, and UW-Madison. The information the committee provides the Board will help the Board determine the ecological value of the bogs, options to treat the bogs, costs associated with treating the bogs, as well as other issues that may develop during the study. The committee hopes to have a plan in place within a year.

Nominating Committee - Chairman of the Committee, Walt Hicks, reported that the Committee members are himself, Gary Marvin, and Muriel Schrock. There are two seats up for election this year; Charles Cruse and Jim Stevenson. The Committee was able to nominate Charles Cruse, Paul Laursen, Gerry Seagren and Jim Stevenson.

Gerry Seagren was present at the meeting and spoke to the members present. He noted that he is running for the Board to share concern of the direction of the lake management. He is interested in being involved with changes of the District. He noted he has a degree in Civil Engineering and he currently owns a construction company. He resides in Hampshire, Illinois.

Paper ballots were passed out to all member presents. The Annual Meeting clerks collected the ballots and the results will be presented at the end of the meeting.

BUDGET HEARING:

Treasurer Bernie Tangney reported that the Budget/Finance Committee is comprised of Bernie Tangney, Norm Prusener and Linda Tangney. Bernie reported that there is \$20,000 in the Pole Barn Reserve fund and the members need to look at transferring these funds to Equipment Reserve fund. Mr. Tangney has done research into the cost of building a pole barn; approximately \$40,000 for the pole barn alone, not including land. Mr. Tangney is asking the membership for approval to transfer the \$20,000 from the Pole Barn Reserve fund to the Equipment Replacement Reserve fund.

Leo Worth made a motion that the Pole Barn Reserve funds be transferred to the Equipment Replacement fund. Al Beebe seconded the motion.

Bill Norris questioned the arrangement the District has with Ralph Henning in leasing storage space at his property. Also, should the District continue to reserve funds for a pole barn in the future and has the Board looked for property on which to build a pole barn?

Chairman Stevenson noted that four to five years ago, the Board had discussion with the Township of Whitewater regarding the building of a pole barn on Township property. The Township was not interested in this proposal.

After brief discussion, Chairman Stevenson noted that there was a motion on the floor and that it was time to put the motion to a membership vote. The motion was to transfer the funds from the Pole Barn Reserve fund to the Equipment Replacement Reserve fund. Chairman Stevenson asked for a hand vote for those members present voting "Yes". The number of "Yes" votes was 18. Chairman Stevenson then asked for a hand vote for those members present voting "No". The number of "No" votes was 9. Chairman Stevenson announced that the funds from the Pole Barn Reserve fund would be transferred to the Equipment Replacement Reserve fund, as voted by the membership present.

Chairman Stevenson then asked members present if the membership desires the Board to continue to look for property on which to build a pole barn in the future. Property owner Al Beebe recommended that the Board renew their conversation with the Township of Whitewater for land on which to build a pole barn in the future. Chairman Stevenson noted that the Board has authorization to expend up to \$10,000 if needed for land acquisition. He also noted that a special meeting of the membership can be called at any time, if needed.

Treasurer Bernie Tangney then reviewed the Budget Summary and Budget Detail (copy attached). Member Al Beebe voiced his opinion that Board members should receive a stipend to attend meetings. Chairman Stevenson noted that the By-Laws state that the Board members "will serve without compensation".

There being no further questions on the budget, Chairman Stevenson asked for a motion to approve the budget as presented. Lowell Wilson made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Walt Hicks seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous hand vote.

Chairman Stevenson invited public input from property owners present. Leo Worth noted that the following week on Saturday is the Whitewater Property Owners Association picnic. Walt Hicks expressed his concern over the infestation of muskrats and their effect on the erosion of the sea walls. There was brief discussion over possible remedies to this problem. There being no further comments, Chairman Stevenson moved on to the next item on the Agenda.

The next annual meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was set for Saturday, August 22, 1998, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Lakeview Elementary School.

Nomination Results - Chairman Stevenson asked Mary Mesmer, Municipal Clerk, to announce the results of the election of Board members. Mary Mesmer read the results as presented to her by the Annual Meeting clerks: Charles Cruse received 21 votes; Paul Laurson received 3 votes; Gerry Seagren received 18 votes;; and, Jim Stevenson received

27 votes. Ms. Mesmer noted that based on the ballot results, Charles Cruse and Jim Stevenson would serve as Board members.

Chairman Stevenson noted that there will be a brief organizational meeting of the Board immediately following the annual meeting for purposes of electing officers for the coming year.

The meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Mesmer".

Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

September 11, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:37 p.m. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Charles Cruse, Roy Sheahen, Boris Marohnich, and Richard Kuhnke. Property owners and others present: Mark Ogan.

The minutes of the August 14, 1997 were reviewed. There being no additions or corrections, Boris Marohnich made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Seconded by Bernie Tangney, the motion carried.

The minutes of the August 16, 1997 Organizational Meeting of the Board were reviewed. There being no additions or corrections, Charles Cruse made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$89,837.19, and current Accounts Payable of \$1,765.13 (report attached). Bernie Tangney noted that there are additional accounts payable: Good Morning Advertiser for \$21.50 and Roy Sheahen for \$28.30 for advertising expenses. This makes a total accounts payable of \$2,069.63. Roy Sheahen made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and accounts payable of \$2,069.63. Seconded by Richard Kuhnke, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson noted there were some administrative issues to address prior to moving further on the agenda. Chairman Stevenson noted that the minutes of the Town of Whitewater Board published in the Whitewater Register mentioned the "lack of cooperation" by the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District regarding parking vehicles/ equipment on the access roads. It has been the Board's opinion that we were cooperative and Jim Stevenson would like to go on record stating the Board was cooperative. Charles Cruse noted that the County surveyor is very busy and the survey is on hold for the time being. After brief discussion, it was agreed that Chairman Stevenson will send a letter to the Whitewater Township Board stating that the Board had been cooperative. It was also recommended that the Lake Management District Board communicate with the Township early in the spring regarding the access roads.

Chairman Stevenson directed Mary Mesmer to order letterhead and envelopes from Good Morning Office Supplies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment - Chairman Stevenson highlighted a report prepared by crew chief Bob Nowak. The equipment was pulled from the lake on Friday, September 4th and was moved to the barn on September 8th. Bob Nowak and Roy Sheahen will be doing painting and maintenance on the equipment, amounting to a minimal amount of hours. Bob

Nowak noted that he thought it was a good year with a good crew. Bob wanted to thank Roy Sheahen for all of his help. Jim Stevenson noted he has continued to tally daily harvesting logs. He noted that this year 1,739 tons of weeds were harvested. A large amount of this was with the smaller, 7 foot harvester, with an extensive job on Rice Lake.

Roy Sheahen noted that they had received two calls on the "spare" motor. We are asking \$3,800 for the motor. It was recommended to run another ad and to authorize JNT to go to \$3,000 for the motor. There was brief discussion regarding purchasing a new 90hp motor next spring. Roy Sheahen made a motion to proceed with buying a new 90hp motor ~~next spring~~. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

Roy Sheahen publicly stated that Bob Nowak did a good job as crew chief this year.

Chemical Treatment Committee - Boris Marohnich noted that he has no complaints on the chemical treatment this year. Roy Sheahen noted that he did not believe the pellets did as good a job as the spraying. Boris Marohnich disagreed, noting that the pellets did good on the millfoil, but not on the coontail.

Jim Stevenson noted that Dan Halsel of the DNR was out to do a survey of the weeds. He noted the diversity of the weeds has diminished and we now have mostly millfoil and coontail. Boris Marohnich will get together with the sprayers to see what can be done.

Budget and Finance - Bernie Tangney noted that the majority of expenses for the year have been expended. He noted there is cash available of \$44,382.19 as of this date. There are still some expenses to be paid; insurance, minimal payroll, newsletter and a few other small expenses. We have budgeted for an \$11,000.00 certificate of deposit for equipment replacement. There is a possibility of having \$20,000.00 in certificates of deposit; one being \$11,000. Bernie will cancel liability insurance on the equipment now in storage.

Fish Stocking Committee - Jim Stevenson noted that 8,000 walleye were stocked in Whitewater Lake about a month ago. The Board has approved the money for the Aqua Cribs and the permits have been approved and delivered. The permits are effective until October of 1998. The cribs have not been purchased and it is now up to Dale Poeppel to move forward.

Bogs Committee - It was noted that the committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, September 15th and we should have a report at the October meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Millfoil Study - Jim Stevenson reported preliminary indications are a definite decline in millfoil around the 4 test plots.

Pole Barn - At the Annual Meeting, the membership approved releasing funds to the general fund. There was a strong sense to continue to pursue the possibility of constructing a pole

barn for the Lake Management District. There was discussion about the possibility of using Town of Whitewater land, Town of Richmond property or County land. Richard Kuhnke will look into County property. It was the consensus of the Board to continue to look into the possibility of land to construct a pole barn.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Stevenson noted he had received a letter from a Kathy Aron of Aron & Associates regarding lobbying against New Berlin for damage to a dam at Linnie Lac. Jim Stevenson noted that the Lake Management District's By-Laws prohibit lobbying efforts. There was no discussion.

PUBLIC INPUT: Mark Ogan introduced himself and noted that he happened to be at the lake today and decided to attend the meeting. He congratulated the Board for their hard work and complimented the harvesting crew for their hard work. He noted both the Board and crew should be proud of their accomplishments. *MARK AGESO CONTRIBUTED SOME BEFORE + AFTER AERIAL PHOTOS HE HAD TAKEN OF THE BOGS*

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, October 9, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall. Jim Stevenson noted that the last item on the agenda will be to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel matters for the upcoming year. This will be published in the public notice.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

October 9, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:32 p.m. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Charles Cruse, Roy Sheahen and Boris Marohnich. Property owners and others present: Bob Nowak, Jim Mulchahy and Rich Gunter.

The minutes of the September 11, 1997 meeting were reviewed. On page 2 of the minutes, under Harvesting and Equipment, the minutes should read that the **"new 90hp motor will be purchased and in use by next spring"**. Also, on page 3, under Public Input the minutes should reflect that **"the Board received and reviewed before and after pictures of the bogs"**. Boris Marohnich made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson presented the Treasurer's report for Bernie Tangney. The Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$86,263.27, and current Accounts Payable of \$3,701.36 (report attached). Jim Stevenson noted that there is still \$5,000.00 for insurance to be paid before the end of the year. The District is in good shape financially. It is recommended to pay Cellular One \$100.00 ~~per month~~, in advance, over the winter months. Boris Marohnich made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and accounts payable of \$3,701.36. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson noted there are a few administrative duties to take care of prior to moving on in the agenda. Chairman Stevenson noted that the District needed to authorize representatives to the Wisconsin Lakes Association Convention. Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney and Roy Sheahen are interested in attending. Jim Stevenson made a motion to authorize three members of the Board and their spouses to attend the annual convention. Seconded by Charles Cruse, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson noted that he had responded in writing to the Whitewater Township Board regarding the District's ^{ALPCCO} lack of cooperation in the matter of the use of access roads.

Chairman Stevenson noted he had communication with Bill Rose of the United States Geological Society regarding the funding for the Lake Stage Gauge Agreement. This involves \$2,800 per year with the District paying one half. Charles Cruse made a motion to renew the contract for the Lake Stage Gauge Agreement. Seconded by Roy Sheahen, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson noted that the next newsletter will be sent in December. If any Board members have information for the newsletter, they should contact Jim Stevenson.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

This meeting being at the end of the season, there were only a few committee reports to be presented.

Fish Stocking - Jim Stevenson noted that this matter is now in the hands of Dale Poeppel. We have the permits, at the cost of \$30. The cribs have not been purchased, as of this date. Now it's a matter of Dale Poeppel and his people to get the matter moving forward.

Bogs Committee - Rich Gunter was present at the meeting to give a committee report. He noted that the committee was on a fact-finding mission over the summer months. A few people have been added to the committee. The bogs "problem" has been divided into physical data and biotic data research. The committee has enlisted Dan Sable from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Biology Department and Shirley Peabody from the Lake Geneva High School. The Lake Geneva crew has been assigned to the physical data collection. Jim Mulchahy has been assigned to all contacts with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Dr. Sable will study the environmental impact of the bogs. Dr. Mike Nelson will conduct the internet research. Rich Gunter is responsible for the economic impact of the bogs and is chairing the committee. Rich Gunter noted that Charles Cruse is the historian for the committee.

Rich Gunter noted that September 26, 1997 was "Physical Collection Data Day". The Lake Geneva High School Students spent a full day collecting data on the bogs. Rich noted that it is reasonable to believe that the bogs are hallow in the middle. It may be possible to vent the bogs while they are "down". This may be an advantage to the eco system and is an "engineering option".

Rich noted that there is a committee meeting set for October 20, 1997 at his house. The committee will discuss data and options.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pole Barn - Richard Kuhnke was not present at the meeting to report on the possibility of a pole barn on County land.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business brought before the Board.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was not public input.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, November 13, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned into executive session to discuss personnel matters for the upcoming year.

The open session adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Mesmer

Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

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WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

P.O. Box 301
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Minutes of 10/9/97 Board of Commissioners Executive Meeting

At the conclusion of the regular Board Meeting the board adjourned into Executive session to discuss and approve personnel salaries to be effective in 1998.

Mr. Cruse moved, that in recognition of the fine job being performed by Mary Mesmer, Municipal Clerk, her salary be raised from \$6.50 per hour to \$7.50 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Sheahen. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Sheahen moved that the salary of Bob Nowak, Crew Chief, be raised to \$13.50 per hour. Seconded by Mr Marohnich. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Sheahen moved that the minimum salary for the crew be raised from \$6.00 per hour to \$6.50. The maximum salary will be kept at \$8.00 per hour. Competent employees will be offered a \$0.50 per hour increase each year, up to the \$8.00 maximum. In the event that Tony Willigal returns in 1998 his salary can be raised to \$7.00 to provide a reasonable differential from new employees. Seconded by Mr. Cruse. Approved unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Stevenson, Chair

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

November 13, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stevenson at 7:32 p.m. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Boris Marohnich, and Bernie Tangney. Others present: Bob Nowak.

The minutes of the October 9, 1997 meeting were reviewed. A correction was noted in the Treasurer's Report that it was recommended that the District pay Cellular One \$100.00 in advance over the winter months, not "\$100.00 per month". Also, in paragraph 5 of the minutes regarding the Township issue, the minutes should reflect "the Township's alleged lack of cooperation". Boris Marohnich made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended. Seconded by Bernie Tangney, the motion carried.

Bernie Tangney presented the Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer reported Bank and Cash Accounts in the amount of \$84,430.17, and current Accounts Payable of \$7,387.16 (report attached). It was noted that the commercial insurance package in an approximate amount of \$3,270.00 in an expense for 1997, not noted in the Income Statement. It was also noted that the gas tax refund would be approximately \$840 (income) for 1997. Bernie Tangney informed Board members that he would send an end-of-the-year financial statement upon completion. Jim Stevenson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and accounts payable of \$7,387.16. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Jim Stevenson noted that the Board would not be meeting during the winter months. Jim Stevenson made a motion that the Board authorize the Treasurer to pay usual and ordinary invoices of the District during the winter months, with two Board signatures required on all checks. Seconded by Boris Marohnich, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson noted there are a few administrative duties to take care of prior to moving on in the agenda. Chairman Stevenson noted that he had sent the letter to Ron Fero, Township of Whitewater Chairman. He had not had a response from Mr. Fero. Chairman Stevenson reported that the December newsletter was "in the works". If any Board member has information for the newsletter, they are to get it to Jim Stevenson as soon as possible.

Municipal Clerk, Mary Mesmer, made a request for the purchase of a two drawer metal filing cabinet. Bernie Tangney made a motion to approve the purchase of a two drawer metal filing cabinet. Seconded by Jim Stevenson, the motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson reported he has signed the United States Geological Society Lake Stage Gauge Agreement. He also noted that he had received a request from the University of Wisconsin-Extension for information on the history of the Lake Management District.

Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Harvesting and Equipment - Roy Sheahen had notified Chairman Stevenson that the crew would be able to use the Johnson property as a dump site for approximately \$300. Jim Stevenson made a motion for the Board to authorize Roy Sheahen to offer up to \$300 to the Johnsons for the use of their property as a dump site. Seconded by Bernie Tangney, the motion carried. The Board will send a letter of thank you to the Johnsons for allowing the District to continue to use their property. Bob Nowak noted that the bar on the transporter is bowed out. He will take it off and try to straighten it out. If it does not straighten out he will have it welded to reinforce.

Chemical Treatment - Bernie Tangney and Boris Marohnich will get together in February. One particular area they will be looking at is Rice Lake.

There were no other committee reports.

Chairman Stevenson noted that he will notify Murray Accounting of the approved salary amounts for 1998.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pole Barn - Richard Kuhnke had notified Chairman Stevenson that the use of County land for the construction of a pole barn "may be do-able".

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Stevenson expressed concern over the attendance of the two appointment Board members. It was suggested that Chairman Stevenson write the two members a letter expressing this concern and encouraging attendance at the monthly meetings.

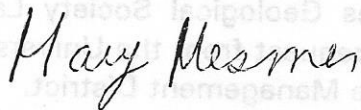
PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input.

The next meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District Board will be held on Thursday, February 12, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. at the Whitewater Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Mesmer
Municipal Clerk