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Legal Expenses	1,000
Insurance	5,000
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Fish Stocking	3,000
Weed Spraying:	
DNR Permits	1,040
Herbicide Application	7,500
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Meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rick Breidenbach, secretary*

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

ANNUAL MEETING, AUGUST 20, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Chairman Bill Norris with an explanation of the original purpose of the Lake Management District. The district is a tax-exempt, self-taxing body which allows all residents within its boundaries to vote. This annual meeting gives the voters a chance to express their feelings about what has been done and what you would like to see done by way of improvement. The primary purposes are to elect a new Board member and to approve a proposed budget for 1995, also to allow the individual tax payer an opportunity to express his or her individual concerns concerning living on on lakes.

The meeting will be conducted according to Robert's Revised Rules of Order. We ask that you do not seek to repeat yourself on any given subject. Mike Johnson, seated at the table, will act as parliamentarian, and you are asked to use the microphone at the back, manned by Bob Benjamin, and to preface your remarks with your name for the benefit of the secretary. We hope to complete this meeting by 4 o'clock. There will be no new business accepted after that time. Richard Seip moved to accept these guidelines for the conduct of the meeting. Seconded by Walter Hicks. Motion carried.

Bill Norris said, that because the lake is in the best condition that it has been for some time and the lake survey group found very little heavy weed concentration, it was decided not to spray this year. And unless, the condition changes, we will apply to the DNR for a refund of the spraying permit fee (\$1,040). At this point, Bill Norris introduced Jim Laban, who is completing his first year as harvesting crew-chief. Also in connection with our harvesting operation, early in the spring we were given a most-needed used pick-up truck by Douglas Rockenbach to whom we owe a real vote of thanks.

Though the year, we've been helped by a number of our residents. Boris Mahronich, who takes Sechi disk readings (water clarity) steadily through the year, recently got a reading of 6 ft. - phenominal for this time of year. Bob Holland regularly takes water samples. Roy Sheahen, Walt Hicks, and Bob Benjamin are regular attendees at our monthly meetings and have consistently helped, each in his own way.

Board members were introduced. John Wildi was thanked for his hard work during the last three years. David Byrne moved to accept minutes of previous year's meeting. Ann Zarach seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer reported that books were audited on August 10th by committee composed of Ray Heger, Bob Benjamin, and Mardell Winter. Beginning balance in August, 1993 was \$22,066.01. Balance as of August 12, 1994 is \$46,507.26. (Copy attached) John Wildi expressed his feeling that as large an amount as possible of the surplus funds be used to further reduce our loan principal in order to save interest charges. He also expressed his feeling that as large an amount as possible of the surplus funds be

used to further reduce our loan principal in order to save interest charges. He also expressed his feeling that we not budget for depreciation or capital assets, but rather reduce our loan principal as quickly as possible. Mr. Wagner moved to accept the treasurer's report. Mr. Poltrykus seconded. Motion carried.

Jim Stevenson, candidate for election to the Board was introduced. Since he was the only candidate, Richard Seip moved that he be elected by acclamation. Seconded by Ray Heger, motion carried.

The proposed budget for the year 1995, in the amount of \$96,090 was introduced at this point. Bill Norris mentioned that last year, there had not been a budget provision for fish stocking, and, since the electors present at last year's meeting expressed an interest, this year the budget includes a \$3000 item for stocking fish. Dale Poeppel has been acting as unofficial fish manager for our lakes. The amounts allotted for weed spraying - \$1,040 for permit and \$7,500 for application depend a good deal on the condition of the lakes in the spring. Also included in the '95 budget is \$3,500 for the DNR Aquatic Plant Management Plan. The total cost of this plan would be \$13,500, \$10,000 of which would be paid by a grant from the DNR. Aside from all of the information contained in the Plant Management Plan, as participants in such a plan, we will be eligible for grant funds for future projects, such as purchase of additional equipment, etc. However, it is necessary to obtain your permission before we can make formal application. One more item added to the budget is \$10,000 for depreciation of equipment. Since our harvesting equipment is now three years old, it seemed reasonable to begin to provide for eventual replacement. At this point, Bill Norris called for discussion of the budget.

Edna Barbour questioned the need for a depreciation account, commented that she felt it should more properly be labeled "a fund for replacement of equipment". She also wondered exactly what the Aquatic Plant Management Plan would do for us. She also asked about the percentage of harvesting done in comparison to last year, and in what areas most of the work was done. Bill Norris said that the harvester was put on the lake on June 1st and it cut 5 days a week. About 2/3 of the cutting time was spent in the South lobe, where the weed accumulation was greatest. Mrs. Barbour agreed with John Wildi regarding using any surplus funds to pre-pay our loan principal.

Mr. Wagner suggested that we use funds designated for depreciation to reduce debt.

Since there was no further discussion on the budget, Bill Norris described in brief the purpose of the Aquatic Plant Management Plan to a question from Lowell Wilson. Briefly, the plan would advise how best to preserve the quality of the water, how to foster the sensitive areas, how to set guidelines for water usage in a way most mutually satisfying, how to encourage fish population, etc. Also it will enable us to apply for funds that have not been currently available to us. Dale Poeppel felt that this plan will certainly be an asset for the future.

Val Vesely asked about the possible pickup of weeds from piers as was done several years ago. Jim Laban says he will pick up weeds whenever they are on your dock, provided they are free from stones, gravel and other material, and that the equipment is working in your area.

Mr. Wagner moved that we approve the 1995 budget with the stipulation that the \$10,000 depreciation item be available for equipment only. Seconded by Harry Potrykus. Discussion followed concerning the advisability of including the \$10,000 depreciation item in the budget. In answer to a question, Bill Norris said that D&D projects the life of the equipment at an average ten years, although many lakes are using their equipment far in excess of that. After the discussion, the motion was restated as follows that the 1995 budget be approved with the stipulation that excess funds be used to pay against the principal of our loan with Commercial Bank. Rich Landwehr suggested that we pay approximately \$35,000 off on the loan principal. Ann Benjamin suggested that the amount to be paid should be determined by the board. Muriel Schrock called for the question. Vote taken by ballot. Results to be announced before the end of the meeting.

#### Public Input:

Bill Norris urged more voter participation in the Management District. Sited the problems of finding candidates for the Board for the last several years. Also, mentioned some possible changes available to Management Districts in newly signed Revised Bill No. 33. Those applicable to us can be considered by the Board during the year and presented at a future annual meeting.

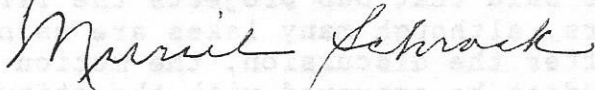
Results of budget vote, 41 "Yes", 12 "No". Budget is passed.

Val Vesely asked if there were some way we could let property owners know when the harvesting equipment would be in a given area, so the weeds could be put out for pickup. Jim Laban, Crew-Chief, said that they go to areas as needed and do not always know from week to week where they will be. Walt Hicks suggested that we try to plan a monthly or bi-monthly plan for pickup and notify people through newsletter, or perhaps hire operators for transporter only, for occasional dock weed pickup. Bill Norris asked if all would agree to allow the Board to see what can be worked out in this regard. Dave Cleven asked whether we have received the U. S. Geological Survey. Bill Norris said that the report is awaiting printing. Chuck Chamberlain asked if perhaps LMD Board meetings could be alternated from month to month, so that every other month, the meeting would be held on Saturday. Bill Norris said that Saturday meetings held in the past had not been very well attended; however, the Board would be glad to take this suggestion under consideration. Dale Poeppel says that he understands that D&R is planning to stock fish in our lakes in the future. Mrs Howarth asked about getting carp out of Whitewater and Rice Lakes. End of public input.

Ray Heger moved that the 1995 Annual meeting be held on August 19, 1995.

Walt Hicks moved that we adjourn at 4:05 p.m. Seconded by Jim Laban, motion carried.

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September 8, 1994

Chairman Bill Norris called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Board members present: Bill Norris, Jim Stevenson, Muriel Schrock, and Bill Miles. Property owners present: John Wildi, Jim Laban, Vic Schrock, Walt Hicks, and town chairman, Marilyn Kienbaum.

Next order of business was deciding, due to the recent election, how the commissioners will fill the offices of chairman, treasurer, and secretary. According to our By-Laws, this decision is to be made by the three commissioners at the start of the first regular meeting following our Annual Meeting. Muriel Schrock moved that for the following year, the commissioners should serve as follows:

Bill Norris, Chairman  
Jim Stevenson, Treasurer  
Muriel Schrock, Secretary

Motion seconded and carried.

Bill Miles moved to accept the secretary's report as submitted (with correction).

Jim Stevenson reported that he had visited the local banks with whom the Management District does business. He also reported that the Savings account requires only 1 signature - the Chairman or the Treasurer. John Wildi, immediate past treasurer, suggested that cash only be moved from the savings to checking account. Discussed the number of signatures appropriate on checks. In the past, we have required that of the Chairman and the Treasurer. Muriel Schrock suggested that for greater efficiency, all three officers be permitted to sign. However, only two of the three elected board members need sign at any one time. Only Gerry Murray's signature is required on payroll checks. Bill Norris reported that the three names listed on safety-deposit entry are Bill Norris, John Wildi, and Rick Breidenbach. Since we now have a new treasurer, and Rick Breidenbach is no longer a board member, a change of signees is necessary. The board discussed having only two of the officers listed as entrents, as there are only two keys. Jim Stevenson suggested that the chairman and treasurer be the signees with Muriel as secretary, the authorized witness. Concerning payment of Gerry Murray, who handles the payroll account for us, he is normally paid upon presentation of his bill. Post office box keys are held by Bill Norris and Jim Stevenson. Treasurer's report read as follows: Beginning balance as of 8/11/94 - \$49,611.38; ending balance, 9/8/94, \$84,030.49 - copy attached.

Bill Norris reported, that in the course of maneuvering the equipment, the Whitewater Limestone building was damaged. The bill for repair is \$165. Also, Phil Stilke's mail box was damaged. Muriel Schrock moved that the treasurer's report be approved and bills as presented paid. Seconded, motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding an extra sum, beyond our regular payment, to be made on the principal of the harvesting equipment loan

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which we have with the Commercial Bank. Everyone in attendance seemed to be in favor of such payment. Therefore, Bill Norris moved to make an additional principal payment of \$30,000. Seconded, motion carried.

Bill Norris read a letter from Carlo Balistrieri concerning his retention as our Lake Management counsel. Bill and several of those in attendance will be researching possible legal counsels for the future.

Bill Norris read the changes in 1993 Wisconsin Act 167 - a re-write of Chapter 33 - most likely to effect our own situation. Muriel will write for a copy of the new bill.

At 9:30 p.m., Muriel moved that we adjourn to Executive session to consider salaries for the coming year. Seconded, motion carried.

Regular session reconvened at 9:40 p.m. Jim Stevenson moved for adjournment at 9:45 p.m. Seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

*Muriel Schrock*

Bill Norris reported that in the course of answering the equipment, the Hibiscus Limestone building was damaged. The bill for repair is \$100. Also, Bill Stine's mail box was damaged. Muriel Schrock moved that the treasurer's report be approved and bills be presented. Seconded, motion carried.

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