

**WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE DISTRICT MANAGEMENT  
MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING/ANNUAL MEETING  
AUGUST 25, 2007**

The Whitewater/Rice Lake District Management Budget Hearing/Annual meeting was held at Lakeview School and called to order by chairman John Dynkowski at 9 AM. Approximately 50 residents were in attendance.

John began the meeting by introducing himself and board members present: Gordon Phillip, Bill Watts, and Don Wickersheimer. Jeff Widner our weed harvesting sub contractor was present and clerk Susie Speerbrecher. Board member absent: Jim Felland. Also absent was Norm Pruesner, Town of Whitewater representative, and Jerry Grant Walworth County representative.

The meeting continued with John speaking about the "no wake" ordinance that was recently put in place due to the rainfall over the last couple weeks. John also announced that the Pine Knolls detachment issue has been rejected by the board and no further action is being taken. There is new criteria regarding shore land zoning. The legislature will be voting on this in 2008. There is also a state wide ban on phosphorus lawn fertilizer due to seepage into lakes.

A thank you was extended to Mark and Lynne Muschinski owners of Marlin Printing for printing the newsletter at no cost to us. Thank you's were extended to Don Cullen and Bob Sturgis for auditing the books and Tom Ganfield for monitoring the water clarity. Custodian Ron Rohloff who volunteers his time for our meeting was also thanked.

Chief Csaba Keller spoke about the slow no wake signs posted on the lake. This will be in effect until further notice. A lake resident raised a concern that there should be fire numbers posted on the shore line and his concern will be looked into.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

A motion to approve minutes of the August 26, 2006 annual meeting as presented, was made by Ted Wagner and seconded by Stan Vesely. Motion carried.

Jim Felland was the only candidate for Equipment Chairman. A formal vote and motion was dismissed and a hand vote carried Jim Felland into the position. John mentioned his position as Chairman will end in August 2008 and he will not be taking a second term. Gordon Philips position as treasurer will be ending also and he will not be taking a second term.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Gordon reviewed the financials referring to the handouts. The actual expenses for 2006 were \$143,270. The projected budget for 2007 was \$160,200. Ted Vesely motioned to approve the financials as presented. Ted Wegner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Gordon reviewed the proposed 2008 budget reviewing expenses listed. Tom Ganfield motioned to approve the proposed budget of \$186,000 as presented. Stan Vesely seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**FISH STOCKING**

No report as fish stocking was prohibited this year.

**EQUIPMENT**

No report given.

**CHEMICAL**

The spraying done this year by Lakes and Ponds was very successful.

**BOG**

Gordon gave a report and reviewed the Whitewater Bog Removal Project Historical Overview and Status Alternatives handout. The board recommends option C – to proceed to remove the bog.

over the next 3 years as presented in the 2008 proposed budget. Bog removal for 2007 was discussed. Due to the no wake ordinance in effect, bog not being up due to the high water levels and the dump site not negotiable a motion was made by Edna Barbour to discontinue bog removal for the year 2007. Stan Vesely seconded the motion. Motion Carried. There will be no bog removal in 2007. A discussion was held regarding the \$30,000 in excess the 2007 budget will now have Stan Vesely motioned to allocate \$30,00 to the 2008 operating budget with any residual going to the equipment fund. Shirely Wickerscheimer seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Gordon spoke about **GOOSE REMOVAL PERMITS** for 2008. Anyone interested in destroying goose eggs the first two weeks in April needs to sign up to be on the permit. Contact the DNR for further information.

Tom Ganfield spoke the clarity of the water was better then last year and he appreciates the volunteer help he receives.

Monthly meetings are held the second Thursday of the month - March through November at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall on Willis Ray Raod

Next annual meeting will be held August 23, 2008 9:00 AM Lakeview Elementary School

Stan Vesely motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bill Watts seconded the motion. Motion Carried  
Meeting adjourned 10:45 AM

Respectfully submitted

Susan Speerbrecher  
Clerk