

July 1997

### Annual Meeting Notice

The 1997 Annual Meeting of the Whitewater - Rice Lakes Management District will be held on Saturday August 16, 1997 at the Lakeview School from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

All members of the District are encouraged to attend. The agenda will include:

- \*Review and Approval of the minutes of the August 17, 1996 Annual Meeting
- \*Treasurers Report
- \*Committee Reports
- \*1998 Budget Hearing and Approval
- \*Election of Board Commissioners
- \*Public Input
- \*Establish date for 1998 Annual Meeting

There will be three items to be voted upon at this meeting:

**\*Election of Board Commissioners** At this Annual Meeting Jim Stevenson and Charles Cruse will be completing their terms of office as elected Board Members. As a result two seats on the Board of Commissioners will be up for election this year. The Nominating Committee, comprised of Walt Hicks, Gary Marvin and Muriel Schrock, are presenting a slate of four candidates for the Board of Commissioners for your consideration. Both Charlie Cruse and Jim Stevenson have agreed to stand for reelection. In addition Paul Laursen and Gerry Seagren have also been nominated and will also be standing for election. The slate of candidates therefore will be:

Charles Cruse	N7907 County Trunk P
Paul Laursen	N7816 Chapel Drive
Gerry Seagren	N7232 Krahn Drive
Jim Stevenson	N7019 Oakwood Road

**\*Approval of 1998 Budget** The 1998 budget, proposed by the Finance Committee, will be found elsewhere in this Newsletter for your review prior to the meeting.

**\*Decision to retain or release funds held in reserve for acquisition of a Pole Barn** At the 1993 Annual Meeting the membership authorized the creation of a \$10,455 Reserve to be used as partial payment for the acquisition of land and/or erection of a Pole Barn to house our equipment. The current status of this project will be discussed and we will ask the membership for a decision as to whether we should continue to hold these funds for that purpose, and therefore continue to pursue this goal, or should we release these funds back to the general account?

There will be a brief organizational meeting of the new Board immediately following the annual Meeting for purposes of electing officers for the upcoming year.

### **Milfoil Weevil Study**

This study being conducted by UW Stevens Point and the DNR continues on schedule. Adult weevils, which overwinter in the vegetation on the lakeshore, were collected for breeding as they emerged this spring. As this is being written they are being bred in a laboratory and when sufficient numbers of larvae become available, probably in late June or early July, they will be injected into the test plots.

Four test plots will be established in Whitewater Lake along the northwestern shore of the narrow Northwest Bay (along the State Park property and within a defined Sensitive area). The test plots will not be roped off although four flagged buoys will be placed in these milfoil beds, each one marking an area about 20 feet in diameter around which the weevil larvae will be placed and milfoil samples taken. The weevils reside in the upper portions of the milfoil stems and may be disturbed by motors churning through them. In addition the study involves taking specific measurements of the milfoil, and milfoil damaged by humans would interfere with the analysis of data and therefore with the success of the study. For this reason we ask your cooperation in staying at least 20 feet away from these marker buoys and that all members of the District help us by informing other boaters of the need to respect these test plots. Signs will be posted at the public landings describing the situation for lake users.

### **Fish Stocking/Habitat**

In November 1996 the DNR stocked 300 large (12" to 16") Northern Pike into Whitewater Lake. They have reconsidered their position regarding the stocking of Walleyes (previously they were opposed as they were concerned it might impact the Bass population) and have now placed Whitewater Lake on their quota list to receive 8000 fingerling Walleye in 1997. Their plan will be to stock Whitewater Lake with Northern Pike every other year (as they have in the past) and Walleye in the alternate years. Rice Lake will receive Northern Pike as the DNR's surveys indicate the need. As a result of the DNR's decision and cooperation the District should not have to provide funding for this activity in the future.

We are planning to use some of the funds that had been budgeted for 1997 fish stocking to place some fish cribs into Whitewater Lake with the purpose of seeing if they will be effective in attracting fish and improving the fishing opportunities for our lake users. These cribs which are 4 to 5 feet tall will be located in a depth of 15 feet so they will not interfere with boating or other activities.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

	1997 Budget	1998 Budget	%change
<b>REVENUES</b>			
Taxes	\$80,000	\$80,000	0%
Misc. Revenues	<u>\$ 2,500</u>	<u>\$3,800</u>	39%
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$82,300</u></b>	<b><u>\$83,800</u></b>	2%
 <b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
General Government	\$5,700	\$5,500	4%
<i>Public Works</i>			
Harvesting	\$ 61,750	\$ 65,400	6%
Weed Spraying	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,000	20%
Fish Stocking	\$ 3,000	\$ 0	-100%
Studies	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,300	0%
Contingencies	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	0%
Total Public Works	<b>\$81,050</b>	<b>\$83,700</b>	3%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b><u>\$86,750</u></b>	<b><u>\$89,200</u></b>	3%

### RECONCILIATION OF FUND BALANCES

	<u>EST 12/31/97</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EST 12/31/98</u>
Equip cost	\$225,257			\$225,257
Accumulated Depreciation		-\$107,333		
- \$130,733				
Reserve-Equip replacement		<u>\$50,000</u>		
<u>\$ 70,000</u>				
Total Equip	\$167,924			\$164,524
 General Operating Funds	 \$8,356			 \$ 6,356
Reserve-Pole barn	<u>\$10,455</u>			<u>\$ 10,455</u>
 <b>TOTAL</b>	 <b>\$186,735</b>	 <b>\$83,800</b>	 <b>\$89,200</b>	 <b>\$181,335</b>

**Balance Sheet**  
As of June 30, 1997

**ASSETS**

**Bank and Cash Accounts**

Operating Cash

General Checking	\$ 4,104.76
Payroll Account	\$ 6,834.57
Savings Account	<u>\$ 6,551.76</u>

\$ 13,801.09

Reserve Funds - Certificates of Deposit

Reserve for Equip. Replacement	\$ 60,000.00
Reserve for Pole Barn	<u>\$ 10,455.00</u>

Total Bank & Cash Accounts

\$ 87,946.09

**Other Assets**

Equipment

Equipment at Cost	\$ 225,257.13
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>-\$ 107,333.46</u>

\$ 117,923.67

Grants Receivable

\$ 1,500.00

**TOTAL ASSETS**

\$ 207,369.76

**LIABILITIES**

UW-Stevens Point / Weevil Study

\$ 4,500.00

**NET SURPLUS**

\$202,869.76

\$207,369.76

BUDGET DETAIL

	1996 Actual	1997 Budget	1997 Projected	1998 Proposed
<b>INCOME</b>				
Taxes	\$ 80,005	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
Donations	300	300	300	300
Grants/Intergovernment	38,750	0	2,250	0
Interest Income	<u>2,155</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,500</u>
Total Income	<b>\$121,210</b>	<b>\$ 82,300</b>	<b>\$ 85,550</b>	<b>\$ 83,800</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>				
<b><u>General Government</u></b>				
Administrative	\$ 3,223	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Legal Expense	0	1,000	0	700
Newsletters	<u>581</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,300</u>
Total Gen. Gov.	<b>\$ 3,803</b>	<b>\$ 5,700</b>	<b>\$ 4,600</b>	<b>\$ 5,500</b>
<b><u>Public Works</u></b>				
<b>Harvesting</b>				
Equip. Depreciation	\$ 22,536	\$ 22,750	\$ 23,377	\$ 23,400
Payroll	18,041	23,000	23,000	25,000
Supplies & Other	<u>19,576</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>17,000</u>
Total Harvesting	<b>\$ 60,153</b>	<b>\$ 61,750</b>	<b>\$ 62,377</b>	<b>\$ 65,400</b>
Chemical Treatment	\$ 6,548	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,240	\$ 12,000
Fish Stocking/Habitat	\$ 0	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,530	\$ 0
Studies	\$ 8,000	\$ 1,300	\$ 2,300	\$ 1,300
Contingency	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Total Public Works	<b>\$ 74,701</b>	<b>\$ 81,050</b>	<b>\$ 80,447</b>	<b>\$ 83,700</b>
Total Expense	<b><u>\$ 78,504</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 86,750</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 85,047</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 89,200</u></b>
Operating Excess/( - ) Deficit	<b>\$ 42,707</b>	<b>\$ -4,450</b>	<b>\$ 503</b>	<b>\$ -5,400</b>
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<b>Other Uses Of Funds</b>				
Equipment Purchase	\$ 67,705			
Reserve for Equip Replacement	\$ 25,000	\$ 11,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 20,000



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