

FEBRUARY 9, 1995

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was called to order by chairman William Norris at 7:30 p.m.. Board members present: Bill Norris, Jim Stevenson, Muriel Schrock, and Bill Miles. Property owners present: Vic Schrock, Ray Heger, Bob Benjamin, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ogen.

Jim Stevenson moved to amend the secretary's minutes adding "an additional \$10.93 copying expense reimbursement to Muriel Schrock had been approved at our November meeting". Seconded, motion carried. Bill Norris moved to approve the secretary's minutes as amended. Seconded, motion carried. Treasurer Jim Stevenson submitted his report showing a cash balance on 12/31/94 in the amount of \$18,962.09. He also submitted a balance sheet of that date showing total assets of ~~\$116,036.17~~ - copy attached. Muriel Schrock moved that the treasurer's report be approved. Seconded, motion carried.

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Regarding motor maintenance, Jim Stevenson reported that Bob Novak changed the outboard motor oil at a considerable saving to the District. Bill Norris reported that there is still, apparently a leak in the truck's transmission, as there is a puddle of oil under the truck. This should probably be repaired soon. Norris requested that in the future, a copy of the minutes be sent to Jim Laban.

Following a discussion of the leak in Rice Lake dam, Bill Norris volunteered to contact Jerry Collins of the D&R for input, and Ray Heger said he would attempt getting a water measurement. After reading a letter from the Wisconsin Association of Lakes, Bill Norris moved that we renew our membership and contribute \$50 toward WAL'S legal fees as we did last year. He also announced that this year's Wisconsin Lakes Convention will be held April 6 to 8th in Stevens Point Holidome Convention Center. Bill Miles moved that the 3 elected board members be authorized to attend. Seconded, motion carried.

Since Charles Cruse has sold the property on which we have dumped our harvested weeds in the past, Bill Norris will contact Warden ~~Charlie~~ Bramer about the possibility of continuing to dump in this area.

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According to WAL, new laws allow us more flexibility concerning lake patrol, sanitary district, budgeting for special objectives, composting yard waste (i.e. the Lemke property), bog removal,, boathouse restoration, etc. Chairman Norris asked for possible goals to be incorporated in our Aquatic Plant & Lake Usage Plan, citing the removal or retaining of bogs. Bob Benjamin mentioned "boat usage", Ray Heger feels that there should be some provision for support from the D&R concerning the State Park. Jim Stevenson moved that we table this discussion

for the next meeting and at that time, come prepared with definite suggestions in mind. Seconded, motion carried.

At the next several meetings, we will have a speaker on the watershed program and another from our insurance carrier.

Muriel Schrock moved for adjournment. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

March 9, 1995

The meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Bill Norris. Corrections to the minutes were requested as follows: balance sheet total assets should read \$134,498.26; the word "pickup" should be inserted concerning the oil leak; and Warden Bramer's first name should be corrected to read "Bob" rather than Charlie. Bill Miles moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Seconded, motion carried. Jim Stevenson presented bills for payment in the amount of \$179.90. Muriel Schrock moved to approve the bills presented plus an additional \$12.02 for copies and postage. Seconded, motion carried. Jim ^{MOVED} ~~reported~~ that the \$10,000 budgeted for future equipment replacement ~~has been~~ put into a CD at the Commercial Bank. He also moved that we buy a CD in the amount of \$10,455, funds that were budgeted to be used toward the purchase and erection of a pole barn at the 1993 Annual Meeting. Seconded, motion carried.

Ruth Johnson of the D&R spoke to us about Watersheds. She told us that Sewerpc rated us high in susceptibility. She also described various problems in our general area, and outlined the Non-Point Priority ^{WATERSHED} ~~Membership~~ Plan, which, were we selected, would provide funds for such things as analysis, inventorying use of every piece of land, and etc. Ruth emphasized that the money is available and urged us to consider making application. Bill Norris moved that we contact Lou Olson for help in submitting this application for the water shed project. Seconded, motion carried.

With relation to shoreline cleanup, Muriel Schrock moved that we attempt to schedule regular weed pickup from homeowners' piers on an experimental basis during the '95 season. Motion was later withdrawn in lieu of consulting crew-chief Jim Laban when he returns. 7

Bill Norris then introduced the following points for discussion:

- 1) Possibility of 5 elected commissioners rather than 3.
 - a) Discussed whether we might find the necessary number of candidates. Suggestion was advanced that a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 might be considered.
- 2) Regarding the statutory direction concerning budget presentation...
 - a) Our treasurer commented that the method of reporting he is currently using has already laid the groundwork for complying.
- 3) By-laws..
 - a) It was generally agreed that our By-laws definitely need review and change where necessary. The secretary was asked to provide copies to that end.

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4) Rice Lake Dam leak.....

- a) It was agreed that the repair of the dam should be pursued with the D&R on a persistent basis.

5) Improvement of lake fisheries..

- a) Jim Stevenson volunteered to contact Dale Poeppel for his input as to present conditions, communications with the D&R, and etc.

6) Buoy Placement and Lake Patrol...

- a) It was decided that any serious discussion on this matter await the Lake Management Plan. - WE AGREED TO START GATHERING INFO

7) Floating bogs...

- a) Bill Norris suggested that this matter merits some serious discussion with the D&R and consideration by the Board.

8) Sensitive areas..

- a) The Board felt that we should come to a better understanding of this matter with the D&R; however, it is probably best to wait on this for the completion of the Aquatic and Lake Use Plan.

9) Sanitary District powers..

- a) Although, it is now possible, with the permission of the voters, to assume this responsibility, it needs a great deal of study, before we can advance a valid opinion. WE AGREE TO START GATHERING INFO

10) Islands...

- a) Who owns them? Are those using them employing proper sanitary procedures? Can the islands be further developed as wildlife areas? ?

11) Possibility of accessing the D&R's computerized data base for helpful information.....

- a) Ray Heger has volunteered to attempt this.

12) Pole barn for storage and repair of equipment...

- a) Needs further discussion and consideration before reaching an informed decision. At present, we are using a rental facility.

At this point, discussion having been concluded, Muriel Schrock moved for adjournment. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock

Muriel Schrock, Secretary.

- LOCAL ATTORNEY
- DECIDE RE 95
- SHORT LINE WEED
REMOVAL
- LAKE MANAGEMENT
PLAN
- INVESTIGATE
PRIORITY WATERSHED
PROGRAM

April 13, 1995

The meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was called to order by Chairman Bill Norris at 7:38 p.m. The following board members were in attendance: Chairman Bill Norris, Treasurer Jim Stevenson, Secretary Muriel Schrock, and County Representative Bill Miles. Property owners present: Bob Holland, Vic Schrock, and John Wildi. Bill Norris spoke of the sudden death of Bob Benjamin who had been a steady attendee and an extremely interested participant in lake management.

The following corrections were made to the minutes of the March 9th meeting. Balance sheet total assets should read \$134,998.26; Jim Stevenson moved that the \$10,000 budgeted for future equipment replacement should be placed in a CD at the Commercial Bank (seconded, motion carried); Non-point Priority Membership Plan should read "Non-point Priority Watershed Plan. Jim Stevenson also requested that 12 items discussed at the March meeting be listed in the minutes as our goals for the future. Those being :

1. Review of the By-Laws
2. Possibility of electing a 5 member board
3. Retaining a local attorney
4. Improvement in weed cleanup
5. A plan for shoreline cleanup
6. Rice Lake Dam repair
7. Fish Stocking
8. Study Lake Patrol situation.
9. Study advantages of Sanitary District status
10. Accessing DNR computer
11. Pole barn possibility
12. Utilize the lake management plan now in preparation .

Jim Stevenson moved to approve the minutes as amended with the stipulation that we obtain more information on the Watershed plan before we act on applying. Seconded, motion carried.

The treasurer's report showed Cash on Hand in the amount of \$41,192.68 and bills to be approved for payment in the amount of \$1328.75. (Copy attached). Bill Miles moved to approve the bills presented for payment and to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

Bill Norris presented the Geological Survey, now in print ,and asked for suggestions as to whom copies should be sent. Among the suggestions were the local townships, the county, the library, WAL, several DNR departments, etc.

Concerning the Lake Patrol, there was considerable discussion as to how best to encourage participation from the Town of Richmond. Questions arose about placement of buoys (believed that they have some of their own), patrolling, etc. in that part of the lake.

Jim Stevenson, since he lives in Richmond Township, volunteered to contact them in an attempt to get response to some of our concerns.

Regarding shoreline pickup, Bill Norris reported that Jack Dauffenbach of D&D has produced a machine (presently on Pewaukee Lake) that might answer our needs; however, the price is \$35,000. John Wildi reported that there was a shoreline buildup of weeds near his home last season, and they are beginning to form again. He suggested that the cutter cut obvious weeds on its way to its destined cutting area, and that the transporter be run more slowly on the way back from its pickup. Bill Norris reported that Vern Ludtke complained about geese on his island in the hope that we could do something.

Dan Helsel of the DNR has agreed to help us with our weed survey, which should be done in late May. Inasmuch as the spraying people are reluctant to spend time unless we can guarantee using their services, Bill Norris requested that Jim Stevenson and Bob Holland organize the survey with the help of Dan Helsel. Bill Norris pointed out that the area around Roy Sheahen's, Chapel Drive, Isabelle's Bay, and the East lobe of Whitewater Lake are probably most likely to need closer observation. Bill explained that the basic spraying fee (permit) is \$20 with an additional charge of \$25 per acre. It was suggested that rather than include the whole proposed area to be sprayed in one application, we submit applications covering separate areas, which would likely save us permit fee money in the long run.

Regarding preparation of the equipment for the season, Muriel Schrock moved that immediately upon his return, Jim Laban be directed to have the truck oil leak repaired and all equipment maintained, ready to be on the water by June 1st. Seconded, motion carried.

The secretary was asked to provide copies of the By-laws to the Board for review. It was determined if, at the Annual Meeting this year, the voters approved a By-Law change to provide for five elected board members, 3 or more candidates could be presented for election. Muriel Schrock moved that Chairman Bill Norris appoint a Nominating Committee. Seconded, motion carried. Walt Hicks, Ray Heger, and Al Nere were suggested as possible committee members.

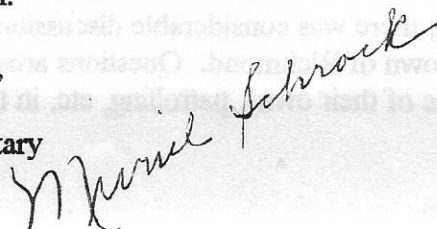
Attorneys Mark Olm and Mitch Simon were suggested as possible legal counsels for the Lake Management District in the future. Bill Norris agreed to contact the two as concerns their interest and qualifications.

Jim Stevenson volunteered to talk to Jeff Thornton of SEWERPC about aims to be included in our Aquatic Plant and Lake Use Management Plan.

Muriel Schrock moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock, Secretary



WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING
May 11, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by chairman Bill Norris. Board members present were Chairman Bill Norris, Treasurer Jim Stevenson, County Representative Bill Miles and Township Representative Ron Fero. Absent - Secretary Muriel Schrock with Bob Holland substituting. Also present were Jeff Thornton of SEWRPC and Jim Laban. Property owners present: Walt Hicks, Roy Sheahen, Gary Marvin, Boris Marohnich and Bob Holland.

Bill Miles moved to approve the minutes of the April 13, 1995 as submitted. Seconded by Jim Stevenson, motion carried.

The treasurer's report showed \$41,353.98 cash on hand with bills to be approved in the amount of \$755.12. Treasurer Jim Stevenson also requested approval to transfer \$10,000 to the payroll account. (Copy attached). Bill Miles moved to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Ron Fero, motion carried.

Three officers have been hired for the Lake Patrol, and the boat is to be stored at a pier on Township property on West Lakeshore Drive. Richmond Township will contribute \$500 for the lake patrol.

The weed survey will be done in late May or early June depending on the weather and when it can be scheduled with Dan Helsel and Jeff Thornton. Jim Stevenson will make the arrangements. Jim Laban, Walt Hicks and Bob Holland are planning to assist and Walt Hicks will provide his pontoon boat. If a decision is made to spray, applications must be completed for DNR. Chairman Norris also advised that spraying plans must be published in the newspaper and a print-out of all the property owners provided to the DNR. This can be obtained from Walworth County.

Jeff Thornton discussed the Lake Management Plan. He will have two interns and one full time employee working on the plan. He believes that the plan will answer Jim Stevenson's questions except for the ownership of the dams and the islands. At the present time, he is planning for the plant survey and a collection of specimens in mid-June. The recreation survey will follow. He also discussed the Non-point Priority Watershed Plan.

Jim Laban reported on the harvesting equipment, and everything should be ready to start on June 1, 1995. His crew of Nate Wendt and Matt Goetsch have been hired. Jim Stevenson moved to increase Nate Wendt's salary to \$6.50, since this is his second season. Seconded by Bill Norris, motion carried.

The Cruse property where weeds have been dumped in the past has been sold to the DNR. Gary Patzke, DNR Superintendent (414/594-2135) has given his permission to continue, but must also be approved by Ron Kusowski, DNR naturalist (414-594-6215). Call before dumping any weeds.

Walt Hicks reported for the Nominating Committee, composed of Ray Heger, Al Nere, and himself, that the following property owners have agreed to be candidates for election to the Board: Roy Sheahen, Paul Kuchan, Leo Worth and Boris Marohnich.

The advantages of a five member elected board were discussed. Bill Miles moved that a change of the By-Laws be presented to the electorate at the annual meeting. Seconded by Bill Norris, motion carried. If this were voted on before the election, three rather than one commissioner could be elected. It was suggested that electing two commissioners for three years and one for two years would be desirable. Chairman Norris recommended some additional changes, bringing the By-Laws up to-date, be voted on at the annual meeting. The recommended changes are printed in BOLD FACE.

Article III - ANNUAL MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

Section 2 - NOTICE A written notice of the annual meeting and budget, together with a summary of the proposed budget, shall be mailed less than 60 days in advance of the meeting.

Section 5 - ELECTING COMMISSIONERS One of the five elected commissioners must be a resident of the District.

Section 6 - ANNUAL BUDGET AND TAX The property tax levy of the District shall not exceed a rate of 2 MILS of equalized valuation.

Section 7 - PROJECT APPROVAL The electors present at the annual meeting shall approve or disapprove all proposed projects by the District having a cost to the district in excess of \$5000.00.

Article V - DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Section 1 - COMPOSITION The affairs of the District shall be managed by the Board of Commissioners, which shall consist of seven persons, five of which shall be elected as provided in Article III.

Section 3 - QUORUM AND VACANCIES Four commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VI - PUBLIC BIDDING

Section 1 - LOW BID All contracts exceeding \$5000 for work or materials shall be let by the Board to the lowest responsible bidder.

Article VIII - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 5 - DISSOLUTION OF THE DISTRICT A motion to dissolve the District must be submitted to the secretary in writing, together with the

supporting signatures of 10% of the qualified electors, no later than 45 days prior to the published date of the annual meeting or special meeting.

Attorney Mark Olm arrived and was introduced by the chairman. He reviewed his qualifications for the Board. General practice of law with 8 years in Lake Geneva and 3 years in Whitewater. Experience in riparian rights, property and subdivision law. He has not had experience with Lake Management Districts. He would work on an hourly or retainer basis and felt hourly basis more desirable. His fee for public corporations is \$100.00 per hour plus expenses. Bill Miles moved that Mark Olm be retained as the Lake Management District's attorney on an hourly fee basis. Seconded by Ron Fero, motion passed. He was given a copy of the By-Laws with proposed changes to review.

Treasurer Jim Stevenson presented his proposed 1996 budget. The budget plan provides a 17% reduction in the taxes. Tax of \$80,000 in 1996 as compared to \$96,090 in 1995. Each item in the budget was discussed. Bill Norris moved that the budget be accepted as proposed and be presented at the annual meeting. Seconded by Jim Stevenson, motion passed.

A permanent building to store the District's equipment was discussed. After considerable discussion, it was felt that no further action could be taken until land suitable for a pole barn was found.

Meeting adjourned at about 10 p.m.

Submitted by,

Robert Holland pro tem

Robert A. Holland, secretary pro tem

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
June 8, 1995

The June meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by chairman Bill Norris. Board members present: Chairman Bill Norris, Treasurer Jim Stevenson, Secretary Muriel Schrock, County Board Representative Bill Miles and Township Board Representative Ron Fero.

Bill Norris introduced Liz Christie, a representative from the Laub Group with whom our Lake Management is insured. Ms. Christie passed out copies of our Insurance Summary and went through the printout point by point answering questions in the process. One of the questions concerned the possible costs of collision coverage on the pickup truck and also an umbrella policy. She promised to investigate costs involved and contact us with the figures.

The secretary distributed copies of the May minutes. Jim Stevenson Moved to accept the minutes as submitted. Seconded, motion carried. The treasurer's report shows a total of cash on hand in the amount of \$40,703.08, including cash and bank accounts and \$171.84 bills outstanding. (Copy attached). *HAD UNCERTAIN?*

under Jim Stevenson reported that he, along with Roy Sheahan, Bob Holland, Walt Hicks, and Dan Helsel of the DNR would undertake the Whitewater Lake weed/spray survey and submitted a map showing 26 1/2 acres outlined on Whitewater Lake, with another possible 10.5 and 3.5 acres on Rice Lake. Bill Norris and Jim Laban will survey Rice Lake. Jim Stevenson has left messages for the chemical applicators we have used in the past and cited the difficulty in contracting with a chemical applicator once the season has begun. Bill Miles suggested that Jim contact the Whitewater Park District to see if perhaps the people who are doing their lakes might also do ours. Jim reported that there is a company who is doing experimental spraying that Dan Helsel could contact to see if they might use our lakes. ~~(In the interest of expediency, after discussion, Jim Stevenson moved that we contract to apply chemicals as soon as possible, to 26.4 acres of Whitewater Lake and 3.3 acres of Rice Lake with the primary objective of controlling Eurasian Water Milfoil, which is to be treated with 2-4-D or equivalent, although Aquathol or other chemicals may be applied to specific areas as needed. "Aquatic Biologists" of Fon du Lac being the preferred applicator. In the event that they are unable to serve us on a timely basis, second choice will be "Marine Bio-Chemists". Seconded, motion carried.)~~ *TANKS*

Boris Mahronich asked about the possibility of extending the harvesting hours. Jim Laban, who was present, said that he believes that the crew would be willing to work longer hours. Jim Stevenson moved that the Board empower Jim Laban to ask his crew to work extra hours where necessary and that we pay time and a half in excess of 80 hours per pay period. Seconded, motion carried.

Because members of the Board are aware of the property owners' concern over the season's bumper crop of weeds this year, they stated their determination to alleviate the situation, including the longer harvesting hours and doing whatever possible to deal with the "floaters" (a major problem).

Jim Stevenson moved that the Board approve payment of spraying application fees as follows: Whitewater Lake \$695, WW Lake provisional \$295 and Rice Lake \$120. Seconded, motion carried.

Discussion of "By-law Change Summary" submitted by Jim Stevenson (copy attached):

Article III - Section 2 Meeting notice must either be mailed to electors at least 10 days prior to annual meeting or published in paper at least 15 days and again 7 days prior to the meeting.

Article III - Section 6 In accordance with Chapter 33, the mil rate should be changed from 2.0 to 2.5.

Article III - Section 7 Proposes raising the limit for Board approval to \$10,000 if permission has been granted by homeowners.

Article II - Section B Is interpreted to mean "person who owns real property".

Article III - Section 5 Changes the number of elected commissioners from 3 to 5, and also, if no resident is willing to serve, waives the requirement that at least one must be a resident.

Article V - Section 1 Changes the Board from 5 to 7 members, 5 of whom shall be elected rather than 3 as at present.

Article V - Section 3 Clarifies appointing a commissioner to fill a vacancy for an "elected" commissioner, and that in a meeting situation, 3 will constitute a quorum; however, authorization to borrow funds will require 4 + 1.

Article VIII - Section 5 Concerning dissolution of District, a property owner must notify the Board 90 days before the annual meeting when petitioning to dissolve. Action to dissolve requires a 2/3 vote of the property owners.

In keeping with the proposed change to increase elected board members from 3 to 5, the following names have been presented in nomination by the Nominating Committee: Bernard Tangney, Charles Cruse, Paul Kuchan, Leo Worth and Boris Mahronich.

In accordance with the proposed change from 3 to 5 elected commissioners, the Board proposed that 2 of the candidates be elected for a three year term, and 1 for 2 years.

Concerning the coming newsletter, the Bill Norris stated that it will include the proposed 1996 budget as well as proposed By-law changes. Jim Stevenson requested that copies be sent to the Whitewater Public Library and to the Townships and County offices for filing.

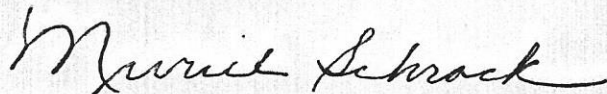
Regarding fish stocking, the Board will contact Dale Poeppel for any current information he may have from the DNR.

Since there was considerable discussion from the floor regarding weed pickup, Muriel Schrock suggested that everyone present give this some serious consideration during the coming month, and moved that it be placed on the agenda for our July meeting. Seconded, motion carried.

In answer to a question concerning method of buoy placement on the lakes, Ron Fero stated that he and Phil Stilke placed buoys according to the existing drawing, and would have done the same thing for Richmond Township; had they had a map. Jim Stevenson volunteered to obtain one.

Muriel Schrock moved to adjourn. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Muriel Schrock". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

SPECIAL MEETING
WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
June 22, 1995

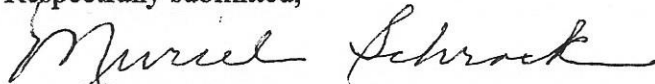
A special meeting of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by chairman Bill Norris. The purpose of this meeting was to choose a chemical applicator for Whitewater and Rice Lakes. Board members present: Bill Norris, Jim Stevenson, Bill Miles, and Muriel Schrock. Chairman Norris turned the meeting over to Jim Stevenson, who had conducted the weed survey and researched the available contractors. Jim announced that three permit applications had been submitted to the DNR--one for 3.3 acres on Rice Lake and two for Whitewater Lake. One of those was for 26.4 acres, and the other a provisional for 10.6 acres, as per maps attached.

Two applicators submitted quotations for chemical applications to Whitewater and Rice Lakes. Brian Suffern of Marine Biochemists quoted \$193 per acre for 2-4D (Milfoil application) and \$219 per acre for Aquathol (Curly-leaf Pondweed application). Bob Langjahr of Aqua Biologists quoted approximately \$70 per surface acre for 2-4D and \$205 per acre for Aquathol treatment. In the interests of expediency, Jim Stevenson moved that we contract to apply chemicals as soon as possible to 26.4 acres of Whitewater Lake and 3.3 acres of Rice Lake with the primary objective of controlling Eurasian Water Milfoil, which is to be treated with 2-4D or equivalent, although Aquathol or other chemicals may be applied to specific areas as needed. - Aquatic Biologists of Fon du Lac being the preferred applicator. In the event that they are unable to serve us on a timely basis, second choice will be Marine Bio-Chemists". Seconded, motion carried.

Bill Norris suggested that consideration be given to the problems in Isabelle's Bay and both weed growth and floaters in the South Bay.

Bill Norris moved to adjourn. Seconded, motion carried. Special meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Muriel Schrock, Secretary

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING

July 13, 1995

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by chairman Bill Norris. Board members present: Bill Norris, Jim Stevenson, Muriel Schrock and Bill Miles. Property owners present: Vic Schrock, Jim Laban, Roy Sheahen, Boris Mahronich, John Wildi, Susan Ward, Sue Siosk, Peggy McCarthy, Carrie Kirkpatrick, and Mark and Steve Jennison.

The secretary's minutes were corrected as follows: "Bill Norris, Jim ^{STEVENSON} Laban, and 'Bernie Tangney' 'surveyed' Rice Lake. (page 1, paragraph 4 and eliminate 'the' before Bill Norris, (page 3, paragraph 1). Jim Stevenson moved that the minutes be accepted as changed. Seconded, motion carried

Treasurer Jim Stevenson's report shows cash on hand in the amount of \$36,865.25 and accounts payable in the amount of \$3,645.87. Jim moved that the District purchase a Public Official's Bond covering the Treasurer in the amount of \$10,000. Cost would be \$62.50 (2 years coverage). Seconded, motion carried. Additional accounts payable not listed on treasurer's report: \$4,522 to Aqua Biologists and \$62.50 to Laub Group for bond coverage. Muriel Schrock moved that the bills presented be approved for payment. Seconded, motion carried. Jim Stevenson read the proposed 1996 budget, which will be presented at the Annual Meeting. Bill Norris pointed out a "typo" listed under the expenditures (Other) as \$6,300. This will be changed to read \$1,300.. Bill Norris moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded, motion carried. 228.26 - NOAIRC S.

Regarding chemical treatment of the lakes, Jim Stevenson reported that Aqua Biologists arrived with 4 boats and 8 men to do the spraying on July 11th. They used a total of 117 gallons of 2-4D or 1.4 gallons per acre foot.

Jim Laban, our harvester crew-chief, explained to the South Bay property owners who were present that the crew was doing its very best to clear the bay and try to keep a channel open around the bay at all times. To this point, it has been impossible to keep up with all of the "floaters" there, because it has been necessary to use time and equipment for cutting. Thus far, they have been unable to pick up gathered weeds anywhere around the lake, but as soon as they really get on top of the cutting problem, they will be glad to pick up as many floaters and gathered weeds as they can. Some discussion followed as to whether additional equipment might be the answer, even though there have been times in the past when the crew has had to look for enough work to keep the equipment busy. SEWERPC, in connection with the Aquatic Plant Plan, has submitted a questionnaire for the Board's comments and approval. As soon as they hear from us, they will mail copies to our Lake District home owners, hoping to get them back in time for discussion at our Annual Meeting on August 19th. Muriel Schrock will supply Bob Biebel of SEWERPC with a set of property owner mailing labels to facilitate the mailing. It is hopeful that this survey, which covers most aspects of lake use, will help to get a better grasp on the property owners' wishes.....would they be willing to spend the additional money that more equipment would involve, etc.?

Bill Norris read a description of the Lake Geneva Abbey Resort "Dockominium" project, and asked for comments. Although the board did not approve of the concept, they felt that we should not get actively involved.

Dale Poeppel, was called on regarding fish stocking. He reported that we can get 2,000 Walleyes for approximately \$3,000. Bill Miles moved that we purchase and stock the Walleyes.

Steve and Mark Jennison were present to explain their use of the island which they had recently purchased. They reported that it is used for recreational use only, and they have no plans for any permanent installations.

Concerning the Annual Meeting, Bill Norris said that he believes that his wife, Gerry, would be willing to organize the voting, as she has in the past. There will be 100 copies of the 1994 minutes, the treasurer's report, and the 1996 proposed budget for distribution at the door. It was decided to consult our attorney, Mark Olm, about acting as Parliamentarian for the meeting, and inquiring about any fee involved. Jim Stevenson suggested that we have a special meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting for the purpose of electing officers.

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Jim Stevenson moved that the Chairman appoint three of the four following property owners to the Auditing Committee. John Wildi, Ann Benjamin, Mardel Winter, Ray Heger. If there are not three able to serve, the Chairman may make appropriate appointments. Seconded, motion carried.

FROM ANY INVOLVEMENT IN SELECTING THE COMMITTEE
1 SPECIFICALLY DISQUALIFIED MYSELF
In closing, Bill Norris reported that Bob Wakeman, our D&R area representative, thinks that, since we are opposed to the development of our lakes' islands, we should write to Frank Dobbs, Director of Planning, Zoning, Sanitation and Solid Waste Management, expressing these feelings. Inasmuch as the Board was in agreement, Bill Norris volunteered to write Mr. Dobbs.

Jim Stevenson moved to adjourn. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING
AUGUST 10, 1995

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Norris at 7:30 p.m. Board members present Bill Norris, Jim Stevenson, Muriel Schrock, Bill Miles and Ron Fero. Property owners present Jim Laban, Vic Schrock, Boris Marohnich and Bob Holland. The secretary's minutes were corrected as follows: Paragraph 1, page 1, mis-spelling of Boris Marohnich's last name; paragraph 2. Jim Stevenson, not Jim Laban took part in the Rice Lake Weed Survey; paragraph 3, add bills presented by Muriel Schrock in the amount of \$228.26 presented for newsletter postage and copying; page 2, paragraph 5 should be Jim Stevenson "suggested" rather than moved to appoint auditing committee. Jim Stevenson moved to accept the minutes with the noted changes. Seconded, motion carried.

The treasurer's report shows Cash on Hand in the amount of \$24,837.61 and pending Accounts Payable in the amount of \$3,567.42. (Copy attached). Bill Norris submitted an additional bill in the amount of \$59.05 for miscellaneous administrative expenses. Muriel Schrock moved that we pay all bills presented. Seconded, motion carried. Bill Norris moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded, motion carried.

Bill Norris complimented Boris Marohnich on his perseverance in taking depth measurements with the secchi disc and cited a 7' depth in Bass Lake on the east side of the peninsula on July 4th and 13' on the 7th of June. The south bay is currently down to about 2 1/2 feet.

A number of people have pointed out to the Board the articles printed about the effects of the weevil on Milfoil on McCullom Lake in Illinois. Although there are some studies being done, there is no proof that introducing the weevil into a lake is a sure cure for Milfoil.

Bill Norris mentioned speaking to Ron Fero by phone about 3 buoys at the State Park that did not seem properly placed. Ron said that he spoke to the patrol officer who is measuring and will see that they are placed at 150' if they are not at that point.

Ron Fero also spoke about a supposedly leaky septic system emitting noxious fumes at the Lauer property on Isabelle's Bay. Both Bill Norris and Ron Fero have been out to the area at different times and verify the obviously strong odors and apparent leakage. Bill Miles, our county representative, offered to pursue this matter with the County Board and will report back with his findings.

Ron Fero mentioned a letter to the Town Board complaining about the debris, etc. accumulated on the Chapel Hills Resort property. The Whitewater Township Board is writing a letter of protest to the County.

Nello Castelvechi on Chapel Drive has requested that we send the transporter to his area to pick up piles of weeds that he and his neighbors have piled on the shore. Jim Laban

feels that much of the accumulation is made up of stones and gravel scraped from the shoreline which might contribute to equipment breakdown. and is reluctant to pick up this material without the authority to do so. He said that last year when he picked up the piles in this area, the equipment made a terrible racket, and he was concerned about possible damage. He has told the homeowners involved that he will not pick up this material, but would like some direction from the Board in this matter. After discussion, the Board requested that Jim Laban check out the piles of "weeds" under discussion to determine whether they are organic material or composed partially of stone, gravel, etc. Jim agreed to check this out and will pick up if the accumulation is composed principally of weeds. If it is not, Jim will tell the home owners involved that he has been directed not to pick mixed material.

Ron Fero informed the Board that the Township Board will be erecting a sign directing that no weeds are to be dumped at the access on Townline Road. He questioned whether to include direction to dump them on the transporter. However, after hearing from Jim Laban, who says that people often mistakenly dump them on the harvester, Ron felt that the sign should read that there is "no dumping of weeds allowed by order of the Township Board " and that John's Disposal should be contacted for further information.

Concerning preparation for the Annual Meeting, Bill Norris feels that we should be prepared for an attendance of 100 people, including copies of last year's Annual meeting minutes, current treasurer's reports, proposed budget, and proposed By-law changes. It was decided that it is necessary to hand out only the "Summary of Proposed By-law Changes", as everyone was provided with a copy of the Revised By-laws in their last newsletter. Muriel Schrock offered to make any necessary copies. Jim Stevenson has contacted the Lakeview School to make the physical arrangements for the meeting. Bill asked that, if possible, they provide us with a microphone front and back to facilitate comments from those in attendance. Bill Norris asked if he should have available for any property owner interested the remaining copies of the U. S. Geological Survey. It was decided to retain 12 or 15 copies and have the rest on the table for anyone wanting one. Also, as in the past, it was agreed that no new business would be accepted by the Chairman after 4 p.m.

Regarding the election of commissioners and length of office term, it was deemed necessary, through discussion, that Article III, Section 5 dealing with election, filling of occupancy and term of office must be clarified. Jim Stevenson will talk to attorney, Mark Olm about this, and, if necessary have him draft an amendment to this Article. After discussion, of length of terms, should three new commissioners be elected, the Board decided that, in order to preserve future Board continuity, the two candidates with the largest number of votes will be elected to a three year term and the third successful candidate to a two year term. Bill Norris will prepare a ballot accordingly.

Bill Norris moved that next year's Annual Meeting be held on August 17th. Seconded, motion carried

Jim Stevenson reminded us that we had, at a previous meeting, agreed to call a short organizational meeting of the new Board, directly after the Annual Meeting, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year.

Muriel Schrock requested a motion to buy a new, more efficient tape recorder to be used at the Annual Meeting and meetings in the future. Jim Stevenson so moved, Seconded, motion carried.

Jim Stevenson introduced the possibility of asking the electorate at the meeting for authority (Ref: Art. III, Sect. 7) to approve projects costing more than \$10,000 for the coming year, citing the possibility of additional equipment purchase. At present, unless a special meeting is called, it would be necessary to wait for the next Annual Meeting. Bill Norris pointed out that in the past we had identified a specific project with our request for project approval. Ron Fero said that this would alter the budget and affect taxes, to which he would be opposed, and he would prefer having a special meeting called. In answer to questions about what a special meeting would involve, Bill Norris said that the lake owners would have to be notified and a place rented to hold the meeting. As the consensus of opinion seemed to be that if necessary to obtain authority for a capital purchase, a special meeting be called, the discussion concerning project approval ended.

Jim Stevenson reported that Ray Heger, John Wildi, and Mardell Winter had audited the District's Books and will make their report at the Annual Meeting. Jim also said that SEWERPC /Jeff Thornton will be at the meeting, and he might possibly make a brief presentation. Our attorney, Mark Olm, will also be present.

Gerry Norris and helpers will be at the door on August 19th to check in attendees and hand out ballots and printed material. They will be prepared with enough ballots to allow for at least four written votes.

Bill Norris spoke of the time and money that is becoming necessary to maintain the equipment, and pointed to the possibility of more maintenance being done when the equipment is put away for the year and before it is activated for the next season. Jim Stevenson says he plans to suggest for the future a standing committee to take charge of the harvesting operation and to advise the crew where and when they are most needed, so that Jim Laban will not have to take the sole responsibility for this decision making.

A general discussion took place concerning the Safety Patrol. Everyone present seemed to be pleased with this year's Patrol personnel. Ron Fero, who is Township second-side supervisor, and meeting with the ski team, reports that, according to agreement, the ski team posts a floating "Caution - Ski Team Practicing" sign during all of their practice sessions, which hopefully will reduce accident possibilities. }?

Bill Norris moved to adjourn. Seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

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ANNUAL MEETING
August 19, 1995
THE WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. in the Lakeview School Gymnasium by chairman Bill Norris, who opened the meeting by asking that anyone wishing to speak, do so within a two minute period, using the microphone at the rear of the room. Also, the meeting will be conducted using Roberts Revised Rules of Order. At this point, Mark Olm, our Lake District Attorney, who will act as parliamentarian for this meeting, was introduced. He has assisted us in the By-Law changes proposed for vote today. Chairman Norris then introduced the members of the board: Bill Miles, representing the Walworth County Board, Jim Stevenson, Lake Management District Treasurer, Muriel Schrock, Secretary, and Ron Fero, representing the Whitewater Township Board.

Bill Norris pointed out that the over 200 Lake Management Districts in the state of Wisconsin operate under Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and are charged with the protection and rehabilitation of its lakes, in our case specifically Whitewater and Rice Lakes. In order to accomplish this, we work closely with the Department of Natural Resources. One example of this cooperation is the completed Geological Survey Report, which is available at the table today. There are only a limited number of copies, and since this is a rather technical report, when you have finished, please pass it on to a neighbor who might be interested. Another example of working together with the DNR will be provided by Dr. Jeffrey Thornton of SEWRPC who is currently working on an Aquatic and Lake Use plan, which will be jointly funded (\$10,000 by the DNR and \$3,500 by our Lake Management District. Dr. Thornton was introduced and briefly explained the work that is being done to prepare the plan and asked anyone who had not yet returned the questionnaire mailed out to them try to do so as soon as possible. This questionnaire is aimed at getting the individual's thoughts on lake usage and other property owner concerns. Hopefully, the finished plan should be in the hands of the Lake Management Board by the end of the year.

The minutes of the 1994 Annual Meeting were introduced for additions or corrections. Lowell Wilson moved that these minutes be accepted. Leo Worth seconded. Motion carried.

At this point, Bill Norris introduced discussion of the proposed By-Law changes, one of which is a board consisting of five elected members rather than three. Walter Hicks chaired the Nominating Committee who presents a slate of five candidates for election.

Matt Schmitt stated that he had no objection to most of the proposed changes with the exception of the mil rate change from 2.0 to 2.5. In view of the increased valuation, he feels that 2.0 is adequate. Walter Hicks also spoke for retaining the present rate, since the Lake District has managed well at the 2. mil rate. Bill Norris

reminded that irregardless of the amount of the mil rate, the way the money is spent rests solely with the voters.

Edna Barbour called attention to the proposed change (Article III - Sect. 2) stipulating that the meeting notice must be either mailed to the electors at least 10 days prior to the annual meeting or published in the paper at least 15 and then 7 days prior to the meeting. She feels that most of the district's voters have no contact with the Whitewater Register, and if the notice is mailed out only 10 days in advance, it would not reach many of the home owners in time for them to plan to attend the annual meeting. Attorney Mark Olm rose to explain that the proposed By-Law changes were initiated only to conform to the 1994 revisions of Wisconsin State Statute, Chapter 33, and in no way effects the right of the voters to amend or reject, if they so choose. Matt Schmitt moved to accept the By-Law changes as written with the exception of Article III, Section 6 which is amended to read "The property tax levy of the District shall not exceed a rate of 2.0 mills of equalized valuation." Seconded by Lowell Wilson. Motion carried. Mrs. Barbour moves to amend the By-Laws proposed Article III, Section 2 change to read "that meeting notice must be mailed to the electors at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting and published in the paper at least 15 days and 7 days prior to the meeting." When questioned as to the necessity for changing from the original 60 days advance mailing, Bill Norris cited the length of time necessary to write, print, and post the newsletter, which would then have to take place before the current season had really begun; and treasurer Jim Stevenson told of the difficulty in trying to draft a budget for the following year based on the current year when the expenses had barely begun. He also pointed out that the date of next year's annual meeting would be voted on at the end of today's meeting, so that everyone would be aware of the date. The idea was advanced that the annual meeting might be held later in September; however, Chairman Norris said that Chapter 33 stipulates that the annual meeting is to be held between May 22nd and Sept. 8th. Larry Poltrock stated that each of the amendments should be voted on separately. Parliamentarian said that at this point, a second is in order for Mrs. Barbour's amendment motion. Seconded by Pat Braun. Motion carried. There was some discussion on the necessity to vote on the By-law changes in their entirety, but Parliamentarian Olm stated that the currently revised By-laws were now properly in place.

Lowell Wilson moved to include the following proposed amendments to the newly revised By-laws:

Article II, Section 3 - Add: "At the request of an elector at the annual meeting of the district, the presiding officer shall order a vote on an issue by written secret ballot."

Article VI, Section 3 - After financial interests, add: "other than residential property within the lake management district".

Seconded by Edna Barbour. Lowell explained that he was submitting these amendments in the interest of clarification, but the discussion indicated that a number of voters felt these items were already covered both in Robert's Rules of Order and our own By-laws. A hand vote was taken. The motion was defeated.

Since the By-laws were passed almost unanimously, Chairman Norris declared a two-thirds vote of the electors accomplished as required. At this point, he introduced the five candidates, who live on various parts of the lakes and explained that according to the newly revised By-laws, there would be three vacancies on the Board. Voters were asked to vote for three of the five candidates listed on the paper ballot issued on entry. They are:

Charles Cruse
Paul Kuchan
Boris Marohnich
Bernard Tangney
Leo Worth

At this time, Bill Norris called on Treasurer Jim Stevenson., who began his report by reading a certificate signed by a Board appointed audit committee composed of John Wildi, Mardell Winter, and Ray Heger declaring that after examining the books and records provided them, they found no errors or discrepancies in the records of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District covering 1994 and '95 to-date. 1994 Financial Report (copy attached) read by the Treasurer shows Revenues in the total amount of \$91,913.75 and expenditures in amount of \$52,369.08. The Balance Sheet dated 8/10/95 shows \$177,239.35 Total Assets, which includes equipment at \$105,731 and Total Liabilities \$11,067.93. Proposed Budget for 1996 (copy attached) includes \$35,000 addition to Reserve for Equipment Replacement, which will be placed in a CD as is the current Reserve for a pole-barn.. Since we made accelerated payments on our equipment loan and were able to pay it off this year, it seems wise to add the \$35,000 to our replacement fund at this time when we will be half-way through the projected life of the equipment rather than be forced to take out a sizable loan in the future. (Detail budget and budget summary attached). Matt Schmitt questioned the necessity for budgeting \$3,000 for fish stocking when he feels that the DNR should be doing it. Jim Stevenson answered that at present they are not doing it, and hopefully we will get some positive dialog going on that for the future. Concerning a question on spraying, Jim explained that the DNR governs what and how much we are allowed to spray, which would include not more than 10% of the lakes' surfaces and 150' out from shore. The monies spent this year for that operation covered those areas. At this point, parliamentarian Mark Olm stated that a motion to approve the 1994-95 treasurer's report was in order. Mr. Hoepertke so moved. Seconded by Bob Zarach. Carried by a show of hands.

Discussion followed on the heavy weed problem in the South Bay of Whitewater Lake as cited by Dennis Youngman. Due to the density of weeds in that section, he felt that a harvester could almost be used there full time and asked if

perhaps we need a second harvester. Bill Norris pointed out in reply that other additional equipment and manpower would be necessary in order to utilize a second harvester. Chuck Chamberlain complimented the Board on the efficient use of budgeted funds and the clarity of its report; he then moved for the adoption of the 1996 Budget. Seconded by Ann Zarach. Dolores Krysiak introduced the subject of a weevil who is purported to have cleared a lake in Illinois of Milfoil. Jim Stevenson reported that our S.E. DNR representative says that they are monitoring the situation very closely, but at this point, it is far too soon to make any kind of recommendation.. At this point, where weevils have been in operation, they were native to the lakes. Greg Kittemeier pointed out that no spraying or mechanical harvesting can be done if weevils were introduced into our lakes. Hal Beebe asked if, due to the lack of spraying in 1994, will we need to do double-duty to catch up? Jim Stevenson replied that the '94 spraying would have taken care of '94 weeds only. Since that year, the lake as a whole was not heavily weeded, the Board, at the advice of the chemical applicator and the DNR, opted not to spend the spraying fee of over \$1000. In the future, the shoreline area will be broken down into separate applications, so that, if some areas need treatment and others do not, they can be handled individually. Tom Wojtowicz asked if two or three people could be employed just to pick up floaters? Another question dealt with the expansion of the harvesting season and the possibility of earlier spraying. Residents of the South Bay area seem to agree that that area, because of its heavy weed problem should always be sprayed. Suggestions from the floor dealt with the possibility of getting some people to run the equipment before and after the regular crew is available in order to get a jump on the weed growth and also urged the Board to work with the DNR on extending the spraying areas. At this point, a vote on the 1996 budget was called for. A hand-vote was taken, showing 8 in dissent; therefore, the budget has passed.

Jim Stevenson read aloud a letter of commendation to Bill Norris, from George Meyer, Secretary of the DNR thanking him for his efforts as Chairman for the last 9 years and for the part he played in the organization of the Whitewater-Rice Lakes Management District. Muriel Schrock, representing the District, presented Bill Norris with a plaque in recognition of his untiring dedication in his 9 years as Chairman; at which retiring Chairman Norris received a standing ovation.

Jim Vondrak voiced concern over the bog situation in the East lobe of the lake, citing both the danger to boaters and the difficulty of residents to get in and out with their boats. Bill Norris explained that we would need permission from the DNR to touch the bogs. To this point, Bill has found no one in the DNR inclined to give that permission, but suggests that we work in conjunction with them to keep the subject open.

The announcement of newly elected commissioners to the Board is as follows:

Charles Cruse
Boris Marohnich, and
Bernard Tangney

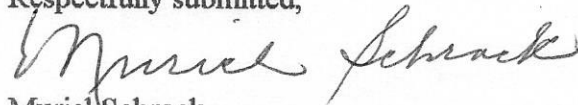
Charles Cruse moved that we set August 17, 1996, as the date for next year's annual meeting. Leo Worth seconded. Motion carried.

Bill Norris announced that there will be a short meeting of the elected commissioners immediately following for the purpose of appointing officers for the coming year.

Ron Fero has requested that Jim Stevenson announce that the Township is posting a "Dumping of Weeds Prohibited" sign at the Townline Rd. accessway.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Muriel Schrock".

Muriel Schrock,
Secretary

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING
September 14, 1995

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by chairman Jim Stevenson. Board members present: Chairman Jim Stevenson, Secretary Muriel Schrock, Treasurer Bernie Tangney, Commissioners Charles Cruse and Boris Marohnich, and County Bd. Representative Bill Miles. Property owners: Bob Holland, Darryl Smith, Bill Norris, Pat Castelvechi, Nello Castelvechi, George and Eleanor Kovar, John Wildi, Linda Tangney, Mark Ogan, Gary Marvin, Walter Hicks, and Jim Laban. Concerning minutes of the August meeting, the secretary will add the \$300 contribution made by Camp Joy toward weed harvesting for '95. Bill Miles moved to approve minutes as amended. Seconded, motion carried.

Next item of business, the review and discussion of the August 19th Annual Meeting. Since copies of the Annual Meeting minutes had not been supplied to all of the Board members, the chairman suggested that this discussion take place at our next meeting when all board members have a copy. Minutes of the special meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting were read. The purpose of this meeting was for the Board to choose officers for the coming year. The following were selected unanimously: Jim Stevenson, Chairman; Muriel Schrock, Secretary; and Bernie Tangney, Treasurer. Bill Miles moved to approve minutes of this special meeting. Seconded, motion carried.

The treasurer's report read by Jim Stevenson shows total cash and bank accounts in the amount of \$50,624.57 and pending accounts payable in the amount of \$4,286.61 (complete treasurer's report attached). Additional bills submitted for approval - \$35 from the First Citizen's Bank for our safety deposit box and \$54.48 miscellaneous harvesting expenses from Jim Laban. Muriel Schrock moved for approval of all bills submitted. Seconded, motion carried. Harvesting costs to-date \$45,215.21; will possibly be another \$10,000 by the end of the season. Boris Marohnich moved to approve treasurer's report. Seconded, motion carried.

Miscellaneous announcements: Former chairman Bill Norris has turned over the keys to the WW Township Hall and the safety deposit box to chairman Jim Stevenson, who, in turn, has given the safety deposit box key to treasurer Tangney. The box contains the titles to the trucks and harvesting equipment and the CD's. Bank authorization cards are being signed by the officers tonight. Our checks require any two of the three officers signatures, as do the other accounts and CD's (\$10,455 reserve for pole barn and \$10,000 reserve for equipment replacement). Accountant Gerald Murray is the authorized signer on the payroll account checks. Jim Stevenson distributed copies of the By-Laws as revised at the August 19th Annual Meeting. Also, he announced that we have been contacted by Steve Fields of the U.S. Geological Survey as to whether we wish to continue the lake stage gauge readings. Cost of the renewal will be \$2800; our actual cost \$1400. This has been included in the budget. Bill Norris gave an explanation as to the workings and advantages of the gauge for those who were not familiar with it. The Board, as well as others present, felt that the readings should continue.

Report from Crew Chief Jim Laban:

Jim submitted copies of the 1994-95 harvesting summary showing starting date, total operating hours and loads harvested ('95 - 455) and total weight (1448 tons). Copy attached.

Concerning the state of the equipment: It has been cleaned, serviced, and housed in the barn. Vic Schrock volunteered his help in moving the equipment, since the crew was a man short. Jim reported that the 90hp motor had had a scorched piston from overheating and the lower case went out during the last few days in operation. When the mechanic took the motor apart, he found a good deal of fish line wound around the shaft in the lower case, which ruined the seal and allowed water to get inside. Crummey's gave Jim Laban a preliminary estimate of \$3600 for repairs. When he asked for an estimate for a new 90 hp, they asked if we might be interested in a commercial 100hp that they have available. Jim has contacted D&D for information as to possible higher operational costs of a larger motor. During the discussion of the costly repairs, crew chief Laban cited the stress put on the motor when beaching the transporter to pick up weeds piled on the shore. Another recurring problem were the tandem pumps on the paddle wheels of the harvester, which broke down several times, causing time loss and multiple trips to D&D. They supplied loaner pumps to us with which we finished the season; however, when they return our re-built pumps for the loaners, they have mentioned a possible charge if they find any damage due to improper maintenance. (Laban had not been told that oil was to be added to the filters.) This will be questioned when and if such an extra charge is made.

Regarding the establishment of committees - The Chairman suggested the following:

1) Harvesting - setting schedule; determining which parts of lake need more immediate attention; dealing with personnel questions; 2) Weed Spraying - acquiring permits for appropriate parts of the lake, chemicals to be applied, contracting with an applicator, and overseeing performance; 3) Equipment - Maintenance and replacement of existing equipment, acquisition of new equipment and equipment storage; 4) Budget and Finance - Managing the District accounts and drafting a proposed budget each year; 5) Fish Stocking - Determining types and quantities of fish to be stocked, and working with DNR to obtain maximum assistance; 6) Newsletter and Communication - prepare and publish newsletters and other communications; and ad hoc committees 1) Lake Management Plan - Work with SEWRPC to complete and present the plan 2) Priority Watershed - Work with DNR, the County, and the towns involved to decide whether we want to apply for grants and participate. Since the problems in District Management continue to become more complicated, hopefully these committees, chaired by board members, will involve more property owners interested in seeking out information necessary for decision making. The following people volunteered to serve: Harvesting - Charles Cruse, Chair., Boris Marohnich, Darryl Smith, Bob Holland, and Jim Laban; Spraying - Boris Marohnich, Chair., Charles Cruse; Equipment - Charles Cruse, Chair., John Wildi, Walt Hicks, Jim Laban; Budget & Finance - Bernie Tangney, Chair., Linda Tangney; Fish Stocking - Jim Stevenson, Chair., Dale Poeppel; Newsletter - Muriel Schrock, Chair.; Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson,

Chair., Bill Norris; Priority Watershed - Jim Stevenson, Chair., Bill Miles. Bill Miles moved to establish the aforementioned committees. Seconded, motion carried.

Concerning our request for the estimated cost of a Public Official's Bond, Ohio Casualty has informed us that they have a \$100 minimum premium for coverage. Opinions from the floor seem to indicate that this coverage seems unnecessary. Bernie Tangney moved that we not acquire a public officials's bond. Seconded, motion carried. Charles Cruse asked whether our errors and omissions coverage would cover the expanded board. Jim Stevenson will investigate.

Public Input: Charlie Cruse sited motor trade-in plan utilized by Lauderdale Lakes Marina, also Boris Marohnich mentioned Township's trade-in on patrol boat motor. Jim Laban suggested that should we decide to buy a new motor, we keep in mind the cooperation and prompt service that Crummey's Marina has given us through the entire season. George Kovar reported that drifting weeds over Labor Day weekend made it impossible to get his boat out, and stressed the need for some sort of solution, whether it be a longer harvesting season, earlier spraying, longer work days, etc. Charlie Cruse pointed out that some of the surrounding lakes are still harvesting weeds and plan to go on at least another month. Mark Ogan questioned whether there is anything that we can do about bogs? As a pilot, he has flown over this area, and was surprised at the large area they cover. Jim Stevenson and Bill Norris both expressed the opinion that the most important way to approach this is to work as closely as possible with the DNR, since nothing can be done concerning bogs without their permission, and thus far, they are treating this as a wildlife-conservation issue.

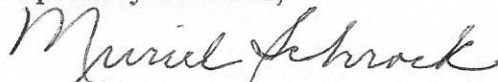
Bill Norris supplied Bill Miles with the Lauer property location, so that he can pursue the septic system leaking onto their property with the County Board.

Chairman Stevenson announced that our next meeting will be held on the 2nd Thursday of October--10/12/95.

At 9:05 pm, the Board retired into executive session to consider next year's salaries for the harvesting crew.

At 9:30 pm, the executive session being concluded, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Muriel Schrock, Secretary

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Executive session, 9/14/95

The purpose of this session is to consider salaries for next season for our harvesting crew.

Present Crew chief Laban has indicated that he feels that he would want \$15 per hour for the next season. He feels that the experience he has gained in his two years of operation and the responsibility of the job warrants this salary; he is also aware that the previous crew chief was getting this amount. Jim was hired at \$12 hourly and promised yearly raises as he became more experienced. At the end of his second full season, he is being paid \$13.50 per hour. Bernie Tangney asked whether there were any benefits provided, and was told that only workmen's compensation was included.. He also mentioned that, in the event we should have to hire additional help to maintain a longer harvesting season or a longer work week, it would add a supervisory responsibility to the job. The Board, in general, was hopeful that the newly formed committee would assume much of the harvesting responsibility, so that the Crew Chief will no longer be taken to task by homeowners' concerning areas in which the harvester is operating, etc. Bernie Tangney questioned whether a larger raise might be in order; however, several board members felt that it might not be wise at this point to raise Jim Laban's salary in excess of that of the former crew chief, and also that a larger raise would give us very little latitude for future increases. Boris Marohnich moved that we increase Jim Laban's salary to \$15 per hr. Seconded, motion carried.

Charles Cruse asked if there were any method of keeping track of crew's hours, such as work halts on rain days, etc. Jim Stevenson said that he believes that they check in and out.

After some discussion, the Board decided to defer the question of salaries for other crew members until later in the year.

The executive session closed at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Muriel Schrock

Muriel Schrock, Secretary

Jim
You were right! We voted at May 11th meeting to increase Nate Hendh to \$6.50 per hr.

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

October 12, 1995

Meeting was called to order by chairman Jim Stevenson at 7:30 p.m.
Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Muriel Schrock, Bernie Tangney, Boris Marohnich, Charles Cruse, Bill Miles, and Ron Fero. Property owners present: Vera Marohnich, Bill Norris, and Vic Schrock.

Boris Marohnich moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as submitted. Treasurer Bernie Tangney reported cash and bank accounts totaling \$44,132.75 and Accounts Payable \$6,525.54. (Report attached). Listed accounts payable include \$3,909.46 for insurance to the Laub Group covering liability and errors and omissions coverage. Muriel Schrock moved to pay bills presented and approve the treasurer's report. Seconded, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:-

Harvesting - Chairman Charles Cruse: Charlie will talk to the Eagle DNR people to see if they will allow us to continue dumping weeds in the same place we have been using.

The committee met at D&D where they were shown a new 5 ft. harvester that could be used both for harvesting and picking up floaters. Has hydraulic motor at the end of each pontoon, instead of an outboard motor. Approximate cost harvester \$26,000, trailer \$3,000. Time from order to date of delivery 120 days. This machine could much more easily be moved back and forth to Rice Lake and work around piers and shorelines in both lakes. D&D pointed out that we could no doubt obtain grant money to aid in payment. The Board discussed the necessity of holding an annual meeting to get voter approval should we decide to order this machine. Written notice must be sent to property owners 30 days in advance in accordance with revised by-laws. Jim Stevenson suggested that funds from the DNR would be much more readily available at the completion and filing of our Aquatic Plant Management and Lake Use Plan. This should be in the Board's hands by the end of the year. Jim Stevenson will try to expedite SEWRPC's work on the management plan, and will check with Bob Wakeman to find out what is necessary to get approval of the plan. Are public meetings necessary? Boris

Mahronich was concerned that the use of this harvester on Rice Lake would necessitate an additional conveyor. Could this be worked out with scheduling between the two lakes? Boris told of D&D's offer to demonstrate the machine in Whitewater Lake in the next week or so. The Board members agreed that we should accept their offer, as this would really show the machine's maneuverability. The committee seems to be in agreement that this proposed machine is worthy of serious consideration. Bernie Tangney questioned "how much do we owe the taxpayers from the standpoint of cleanup", since there have always been weeds, and in the past, homeowner took individual raking for granted. The general opinion was that if the property owners are willing to pay for harvesting service, it is the District's duty to try to provide it. Bernie Tangney questioned whether it might be possible to accept proxy votes on the question of buying this new equipment, but Bill Norris pointed out that Chapter 33 does not provide for proxy vote. It was suggested that the Board's interest in this new harvester be covered in the newsletter.

Bill Norris pointed out that the harvester can no longer use the public ramp next to the marina on Whitewater Lake since the DNR poured a concrete slab on which the marina pier is setting., no longer leaving any operating room for the shore conveyor. Jim Stevenson will discuss this problem with the DNR.

Weed Spraying - Boris Mahronich: No report.

Equipment - Charles Cruse: Discussion regarding having to rebuild the pumps on the harvester a second time so soon after the first repair. Charlie will contact D&D for an explanation.

Ron Fero questioned the \$458 charge for rebuilding the A frame on the harvester trailer. Vic Schrock explained that this was necessary because of the steep pitch at the loading area on Rice Lake.

Budget & Finance - Bernie Tangney: No report

Fishing Stocking - Jim Stevenson: Dale Poeppel has the permits and has contacted a hatchery and can arrange to have walleyes planted by the end of this month.

Newsletter - Muriel Schrock: No report; however, Muriel checked with Bill Norris to be sure that in the last few years, there have been three issues yearly - generally early spring, June, and November.

Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson: Discussed earlier. Jim will contact SEWRPC and emphasize that we are most anxious to get the preliminary plan in our hands a.s.a.p.

Priority Watershed Plan - Jim Stevenson: Since other lake districts have also raised some questions, Bob Wakeman of DNR is planning a workshop which will outline the plan, the grants available, etc. We will be notified of the date.

End of standing committee reports.

Ron Fero will become a member of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Charlie Cruse asked Ron Fero if he could request the Town Board to fill in the holes on the Cruse Lane access.

Concerning insurance coverages and premium for 1996, after lengthy discussion with our Chairman, I.T.T. Harper waived \$272 in premium and returned to us a total of \$364, and for '95-'96 estimated premium, \$242 was disputed and waived. This occurred because the company was using too large a payroll base.

Our insurance carrier requires that we have sexual harassment guidelines in place. Jim Stevenson read the suggested form sent to us by our carrier. Bernie Tangney moved that we adopt same. Seconded, motion carried. Various options submitted to us by our insurance company:

E & O - Lower deductible from \$5,000 to \$1,000.....\$106.09

Commercial Pkg., Gen'l. Liab. - Raise to \$2,000,000/

4,000,000 agg. 65.00

Auto liability - increase to 1 1/2 million

add collision to '85 Chevy..... 19.00

add medical payments..... 85.00

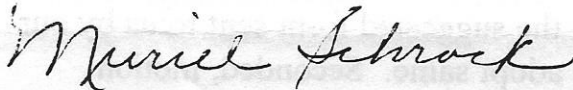
The Board agreed that the above proposed coverages are not necessary for our purposes.

Steve Fields, who has been with the U.S. Geological Survey, sent us the 10/93 to 10/95 statistics showing the lake fluctuations before he left the Survey (replaced in early October by a Mr. Rose).

Concerning topics introduced at our previous meeting, Jim Stevenson reported that crew-chief, Jim Laban does received time and a half (for over 80 hours worked in a two week pay period). Also, our errors and omissions policy does cover our entire 7 man board. Concerning the Lauer property, Ron Fero offered to accompany Bill Miles to inspect the area where the septic leak seems to be occurring.

Miscellaneous input: Muriel Schrock reported that the Whitewater Township Board had voted to write a letter to the DNR with copy to the County complaining about the condition of the Chapel Hills Motel property, and suggested that the District also write protesting the shoreline conditions (broken and rusted boat lifts left in the water for a number of years). Chairman Stevenson asked the secretary to draft a letter for his signature. Bill Norris suggested that this also be included in the newsletter. Ron Fero announced that there is absolutely no overnight camping allowed on any of the lake's islands by order of Walworth County. Jim Stevenson reported receiving a notice from the Unemployment Compensation Board stating that one of our employees had filed for compensation. Our Board requested that our Chairman investigate further. Muriel Schrock moved to adjourn. Seconded, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Muriel Schrock,
Secretary

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT MEETING

November 9, 1995

BOB BIESEL
Chairman Jim Stevenson called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. and introduced the guest speakers for the evening - Chief Environmental Engineer and Chris Hinz from SEWERPC. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Boris Marohnich, Bill Miles Charles Cruse, Bernie Tangney, and Muriel Schrock. Property owners' present: Bill Norris, John Wildi, Bob Holland, and Darrell Butcher.

Regarding minutes as printed, Chairman Stevenson asked that they be corrected to read that DNR funds would not be available to us until the completion and filing of the Aquatic Plant and Lake Usage Plan. Bill Miles moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Seconded, motion carried. The treasurer's report as printed shows a total of \$37,895.43 - cash and bank accounts and accounts payable in the amount of \$3,043.29 (Copy of report and notes attached). Additional bills presented for payment \$19.73 from D&D for part and \$39.44 for envelopes from the Whitewater Register. Jim Stevenson requested approval of payment to Crummey's of an invoice which should probably be between \$250 and \$300 when finally settled. Charles Cruse move to pay the bill the aforementioned bills and approve the Treasurer's report. Seconded, motion carried.

Committee reports:

Harvesting (Charles Cruse) - The state's new superintendent of the DNR, Southern region - Gary Patzke has been contacted for permission to continue dumping weeds in the area on P across from Charlie Cruse's property in the spring. He has given his permission, and will supply Charlie with a key, so that the truck can enter when harvesting begins next year.

Jim Laban wrote asking if we want to make any change in the starting rate posted in the Help Wanted posting in the university. Present rate \$6 to start, \$6.50 second year. After some discussion, Bernie Tangney moved to post salary at \$6 and reevaluate if necessary. Seconded, motion carried.

Equipment (Charles Cruse) - Regarding pump change on harvester by D&D, Charlie needs key for storage barn, so that he can let mechanic in. There will probably be a charge when they exchange our repaired pumps for theirs, because they claim that it wasn't put together properly, which was a part of the problem. Regarding repair of our transporter motor, the motor is still torn down. Both the lower unit is shot and a piston is scored. The cost of repair would be \$3800. and there would be no guarantee after it is reassembled. The Board decided after discussion that the Equipment Committee should talk to Crummey's about buying a new motor through O.M.C. and possibly scraping the old one. They will have a report and their recommendations to present to the Board at our December meeting.

Summer harvester helper, Matt Goetsch, is taking a marine biology course and has asked if he might borrow our harvester logs to help him in writing his report. Chairman Jim

Stevenson agreed to let him use the records. Matt will give us a copy of the report when it is completed..

Weed spraying (Boris Marohnich) - Jim Stevenson recommended that the permits be applied for early in January. Boris reported that Bob Holland is also a member of his committee and asked that Jim Stevenson meet with him and Bob before the time comes to submit the permits.

Budget and Finance (Bernie Tangney) - No report.

Fish stocking (Jim Stevenson) - On November 2, 495 walleyes were planted in the lake, as organized and arranged by Dale Poeppel. Special thanks to Dominic Gailloro for all of his help on that day.

Newsletter (Muriel Schrock) - Muriel reported that the organization of the Newsletter is in progress. Hopefully, it will include a Chairman's column, a report of the Annual meeting, Lake Stage gauge chart, a listing of our committees and chairmen, and a report on the thoughts of the Harvesting and Equipment committees including a request for property owner feedback. The letter should be ready for mailing right after Thanksgiving.

Reviewing our goals for the year, Bill Norris reported making several phone calls, resulting in somebody from the DNR coming out to look at the Rice Lake dam to verify the leak. Charlie feels that the dam itself is not leaking but rather the culvert below the dam. Jim Stevenson will call Lisa Nesta of the DNR to further pursue the problem. On the subject of Sanitary District powers, discussion seems to indicate that the Board has no interest in assuming those powers. The safety patrol on the lake seems to be operating satisfactorily without complaint from homeowners. Chairman Stevenson pointed out that a decision should be made in the next year about whether or not to go ahead with the storage pole barn, since at the present time \$10,455 is being held in reserve.

John Wildi commented that he was glad to see that the buoys have been left in the lake longer this year, and would like to see them go in earlier also. Ron Fero says the town of Whitewater is planning to buy some new buoys and Richmond, if they have the funds, will also. Both towns, if supplied with the map from the Lake District, will put the buoys in where indicated.

IF APPROPRIATE

CONSIDER THE SUGGESTIONS AND

At this point, Chairman Stevenson introduced Bob Biebel of SEWERPC who commented on the preliminary draft of Chapters 7 and 8 of the Lake Use and Aquatic Plant Management Plan for Whitewater and Rice Lakes. The Plan recommends that there be no new significant changes in the use of the land around the lakes, such as subdivisions, etc.. It encourages the District to take an active part in monitoring any proposed zoning changes or sub-division development. Concerning watershed, the Plan would urge public information and education to encourage good housekeeping practices. Mr. Biebel then pointed out on a map the proposed uses assigned to various areas of the lakes. He recommended continuing to work with the County as concerns sanitary systems and encouraging homeowners to properly maintain those systems, such as pumping at recommended intervals. Regarding

aquatic plants, suggested that we continue to do selective harvesting and probably purchase another smaller harvester. Recommended cutting access channels to fishing and general use areas, rather than doing whole lake harvesting. Also, suggested that we work out some method of shoreline pickup with small crew, if necessary. Concerns in the questions period following Bob Biebel's presentation pointed to the limited harvesting and spraying suggested for some of the more heavily weeded areas and the questionable practicality of men working from a barge, lifting weeds from the shoreline manually.

Jim Stevenson directed the Equipment Committee, in relation to the plan, to research the recommendations and see what would work for the District from both a practical and financial standpoint. We must get the Aquatic Plan in place and filed with the DNR in order to apply for funds toward the purchase of new equipment. The manufacturer, D&D Products, has offered to work out a lease/buy agreement to expedite the order so that we might have the use of the equipment for the 1996 season.

Priority Watershed Plan (Jim Stevenson) - At present, this plan does not seem to have a particular urgency. Jim believes that we should hold it in abeyance. He will write to Lou Olson and ask for County feedback.

Old business:

Jim Stevenson received notification from Unemployment Compensation that regarding the claim against the District, our account has been credited with \$243. No explanation accompanied the form.

Concerning the septic problem at the Lauer property, Bill Miles conferred with Dave Labach, county sanitarian, on October 16th. He was advised to contact Dan Knot, local sanitarian, in the spring in order to pursue this matter.

Muriel Schrock read the letter sent to the DNR (Robert Wakeman, cc to Frank Dobbs, Walworth County) regarding the shoreline at the Chapel Hills Resort..

Board decided to hold regularly scheduled meetings during the winter, because of current topics under discussion.

New Business:

Dan Helsel has asked whether we might be interested in taking part in a Milfoil weevil study in our lakes.

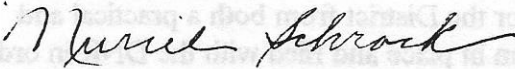
Jim Stevenson announced the coming WAL convention. Charles Cruse moved that Jim Stevenson make reservations for himself and one other member. Seconded, motion carried.

Chairman Stevenson asked that the length of our newer commissioners' terms be included in these minutes - Charlie Cruse was elected to a two year term, and Boris Marohnich and Bernie Tangney, each to three years.

Our next meeting will be December 14th.

Boris Marohnich moved for adjournment. Second, meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Muriel Schrock, Secretary

1995 Goals & Achievements

At the March 9, 1995 meeting 12 goals were established for the future (see April 13, 1995 minutes). Status of each as of Nov. 9, 1995 is as follows.

1-Review of the By-laws

The By-laws of the District were reviewed and amended to comply with the current provisions of Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Several further modifications were made to reflect the desires of the membership. The amended By-laws were adopted at the Aug. 19, 1995 Annual Meeting.

This project can be considered closed.

2-Possibility of electing a 5 member board

Included in the by-laws amendments discussed above was an expansion of the Board from 3 elected and 2 appointed commissioners to 5 elected and 2 appointed commissioners. The Board was so expanded via election of 3 new commissioners at the Aug. 19, 1995 Annual Meeting.

This project can be considered closed.

3-Retaining a local attorney

The Board solicited several local attorneys for their interest in serving the District. Subsequently, Attorney Mark Olm was appointed as our attorney.

This project can be considered closed.

4-Improvement in weed cleanup

After the improvements and the relatively good condition of the lakes noted in 1994 as regards aquatic plants, we were badly surprised by the conditions which arose in 1995. The lakes were so heavily infested with aquatic plants (predominantly Eurasian Water Milfoil) that although we significantly expanded our hours of harvesting we were unable to control the growth and spread of these plants. In addition, the relative lack of abundant milfoil in 1994 lulled us into being unprepared to spray in 1995 on a timely basis. Unprecedented problems with floating mats of milfoil (entire plants, 10 to 12 feet in length with the roots attached),

especially at the top end of the North lobe were experienced at and after the end of the harvesting season.

Activities planned or currently under way to continue to address this goal include:

- Consider starting harvesting before Memorial Day and continue harvesting past Labor Day, possibly right until Ice-up.
- Consider acquisition of additional equipment
- Apply for chemical treatment (spraying) permits early in year, to be used if and when appropriate.
- Continue work with SEWRPC and WDNR to develop and implement a comprehensive lake management plan.

5-A plan for shoreline cleanup

Problems encountered with aquatic plant infestation in general prevented any meaningful advance with this goal. Shoreline cleanup was attempted in several specific cases with mixed success. Development of a plan however was put on the back burner in deference to the more pressing whole lake problems.

This issue should continue to be pursued into 1996, in conjunction with the continuing development of our lake management plan. *WE ARE LOOKING AT POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF SOME ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT THAT COULD BE USED TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE*

6-Rice Lake dam repair

(I don't know the status of this offhand) - *BILL N WAS GOING TO WRITE THE Q&A - DID HE? - HAVE THEY RESPONDED?*

7-Fish Stocking

1924 Walleye, 8 to 10 inches in length, and 500 Walleye, 6 inches in length, were planted into Whitewater Lake on Nov. 2, 1995. *MADZ PHONZ CALLS - BUT DIDN'T WRITE - OUR LOOKED AT DAM - AGGREGATED ITS LEAKING*

LISA NESTA

The development of a multi year plan and statement of objectives regarding stocking is being addressed as part of the lake management plan.

8-Study Lake Patrol situation

A lake patrol (safety patrol) is maintained by the Town of Whitewater. This patrol began operating in the South lobe in 1995 after the Town of Richmond agreed to contribute to the cost of operation. Richmond's participation was requested by several parties, including the Whitewater Rice Lakes Management District. The current perception is that this patrol is effective and well managed and maintained. Concerns raised

from time to time by the District are being addressed appropriately by the Patrol. Therefore, there is no need at this time for the District to take a more active role in the operation of this patrol.

This project can be considered closed.

9-Study advantages of Sanitary District status

Changes to Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statutes in 1994 permit Lakes Management & Rehabilitation Districts to assume Sanitary District powers if appropriate. At the present time Sanitary powers rest with Walworth County. There doesn't seem to be any sentiment or perceived advantage at this time for the Whitewater Rice Lakes Management District to take on Sanitary District powers in lieu of the County.

This project can be considered closed. *WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE COUNTY ON SEPTIC CONCERNS & TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LMP.*

10-Accessing DNR computer

It appears that the DNR's data base is accessible to any one possessing a computer and modem. Instructions are readily available from the DNR. In the event of a need to access data we should be able to rely on any of several District members for assistance. It is noted however That at this time there is not a lot of relevant data residing on their data base.

This project can be considered closed.

11-Pole barn possibility

Investigation has failed to identify an available land site appropriate to our needs. As long as we can expect access to a barn that we can lease, there seems to be no over riding need to pursue the erection of our own facility.

A decision should be made in 1996 as to the disposition of the \$10,455 reserve fund that is established for this project.

*ALICE MORRIS
IS OPPOSED*

12-Utilize the lake management plan now in preparation

Surveys and data gathering have been completed. The lake management plan is currently being drafted by SEWRPC.

The plan should be reviewed, amended as necessary and adopted by the District in early 1996.

WHITEWATER-RICE LAKES MANAGEMENT MEETING

December 14, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Jim Stevenson. Board members present: Jim Stevenson, Bernie Tangney, Muriel Schrock, Charles Cruse, and Boris Marohnich. Property owners: Bob Holland, Vic Schrock, and Bill Norris.

Corrections to secretary's minutes were made as follows; 1st paragraph, 1st page - add name of environmental engineer (Bob Biebel), 2nd page, 3rd paragraph, add date of fish stocking (Nov. 2nd) - paragraph 6, concerning buoy placement, change to read "will consider suggestions to put buoys in where indicated." Bill Miles moved to approve secretary's minutes as corrected. Seconded, motion carried..

Treasurer Bernie Tangney submitted treasurer's report showing Cash and accounts balance of \$35,040.43 with Accounts Payable (including SEWRPC) in the amount of \$13,677.61. Additional bills submitted - Muriel Schrock for newsletter postage and copying, \$144.52 and the Laub Group, \$37. Muriel Schrock moved that the bills presented be paid and the treasurer's report approved. Seconded, motion carried. The treasurer also reports that the IRS has approved a gas tax refund to us in the amount of \$690 upon receipt of the properly executed form. (Copy of treasurer's report attached.)

Harvesting Committee report - Charles Cruse, chairman reports that Jim Laban will be ready to begin harvesting in late May. Chairman Jim Stevenson suggested that the harvesting committee consider using some retired men to cover an earlier harvesting start and a later ending date.

Spraying (Boris Marohnich, chairman) - Boris reports that the committee is considering the use of pellets instead of liquid spray application. Bill Norris suggested that although pellet application may possibly be more expensive, we would most probably use less. Also, pellets could work more efficiently as they work their way to the bottom while the spray hits the tops of the weeds, and can't be applied until there is sufficient weed growth. Chairman Stevenson suggested that the Spraying Committee have all of the information for the spraying applications ready at our January meeting, so that it can be reviewed by the Board and the applications submitted. The general consensus of opinion was that both the DNR and the chemical applicator should be a part of the weed survey in the spring to determine where the treatment should actually take place and that the applicator should be paid for his time if not given the contract.

Equipment Committee - Charlie Cruse, chairman said that Jim Laban had reminded him about negotiating a new lease with Ralph Henning for the use of his storage barn in which to store our equipment. The present contract is for three years with an option to renew for two years and will expire in May. Also, the committee chairman has polled his committee and the majority are in favor of buying a new 7' harvester and trailer and also buying a new transporter motor. Several committee members had favored no new equipment, but more efficient planning for the use of the present equipment. It was pointed out that the smaller harvester could be much more easily moved back and forth to Rice Lake

saving several days each time over moving the large harvester. It was recommended, too, that we provide sufficient preventive maintenance in the fall to prevent downtime during the season -- if necessary, working with D&D. Chairman Stevenson asked that the Equipment Committee have definite recommendations, specifications, and costs for the proposed equipment ready for the January meeting and that treasurer Tangney have a financial proposal for its financing ready for presentation at the January 13th special meeting. Also, committee chairman Cruse was asked to contact Bob Biebel of SEWRPC to give him the information on the kind of equipment wanted, so that it can be incorporated in the Aquatic Plan to be submitted to the DNR with a grant request. The Equipment Committee, when meeting with D&D, should also inquire about a lease/buy plan mentioned by them (D&D) in connection with the purchase of this new equipment. Should the property owners approve the purchase of new equipment, according to our By-Laws, the specifications will have to be let out for written bids.

Concerning the new motor for the transporter, Bernie Tangney asked whether this motor might be covered by grant moneys; however, Chairman Stevenson was reasonably sure that it could not, since we need to replace this motor before we will be receiving any D&R money. According to the Equipment chairman, the old motor has no trade-in value, as it would cost in the neighborhood of \$3800 to get it in working condition. Jane of D&D had told the Equipment Committee about the possibility of purchasing a motor through OMC, who deals with municipalities, and could furnish the motor at approximately 50% of previously quoted costs. The Equipment committee was instructed to obtain at least two written bids for supplying the motor before our next regular meeting in January.

Regarding the special meeting on January 13th, Jim Stevenson asked Ron Fero to act as parliamentarian. We will prepare for 50 people and aim to make it a one subject meeting. Question: Do we want to purchase and finance the new harvesting equipment proposed by the Equipment Committee and your Lake Management Board?

Budget and Finance Committee - Bernie Tangney, no report, but a request to the Equipment Committee that they get some figures to him as soon after the 1st of the year as possible, so that he can properly prepare a plan for financing the proposed new equipment along with the recommendations of the committee.

Fish Stocking - Jim Stevenson, chairman - no report.

Newsletter - Muriel Schrock, chairman - asked for any suggestions for future letters.

Lake Management Plan - Jim Stevenson, chairman, reports that he will work with Bob Biebel to expedite the sections of our Aquatic Plan necessary for grant application to the DNR.

Priority Watershed - Jim Stevenson, at present the requirements and specifications of this plan are still extremely vague. Lou Olson is unable to help with the application and wondered why we were pursuing this. She suggested that we write to the county. So for these reasons, at present he is not pursuing this.

Old business:

Dam on Rice Lake - Lisa Nesta, to whom Jim Stevenson wrote, said that they hadn't seen the leak, but would follow up on it. He also told her that Charlie Cruse had told us that the leak was not in the dam, but in the culvert below the dam. Jim also gave her Vic Schrock's (he lives just across the road from the dam) name and phone number as a contact person.

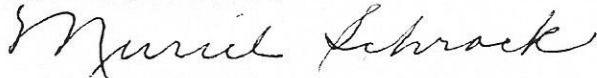
New business:

Next meeting will be held January 11th.

Special meeting will be in this Hall on January 13th, 1996 (Saturday) at 2 p.m.

Boris Marohnich moved that this meeting be adjourned. Seconded, adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Muriel Schrock". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Muriel Schrock, secretary