

WHITEWATER / RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
April 9 2009

The regular board meeting of the Whitewater / Rice Lake Management District was called to order at 6:00 PM by Don Wickerscheimer presiding for Brian Morris who is present via a telephone conference call. Roll call was announced and documented as follows:

Present: Brian Morris & Bill Watts (by conference call), Rice Charts, Jim Felland, Don Wickerscheimer, Town Representative, Norm Pruesner, and County Representative, Jerry Grant.

Guests: Art Speerbrecher, Jeff Widner, Dave Cleven, Gerhard and Theresa Stegemann, Andy Wojdula and Jim Harmon.

Clerk Present: Susie Speerbrecher

Administrative

Jim Moved the minutes from the December 11, 2008 board meeting be approved as presented.

Jerry seconded the motion. Motion Carried. December minutes will now be posted on the website.

Financial

Rich reviewed restated November and December 2008 disbursements totaling \$7,677.73. Motion made by Jim to accept the restated disbursements, seconded by Don. Motion Carried. Disbursements for January - March 2009 were reviewed totaling \$2,072.68. Check #1861 for \$100.00 will be voided as we do not need a goose containment treatment permit therefore changing the total to \$1972.68. Don moved we accept disbursements of \$1972.68. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Rich requested there be a motion made to be able to pay out normal, usual and maintenance expenses that occur between meetings. Don made a motion to Rich's request. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. It was brought to the board's attention Frawley Oil is requesting we have a Fleet Card with them for all fuel purchases. In doing so we will received a 3 cent gallon discount. Jeff will hold the PIN NUMBER for this card. Rich motioned we move ahead acquiring a Fleet Card. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Rich will receive a statement from Frawley at months end for the fuel purchased and pay accordingly. Rich briefly discussed the purchase of a new truck and transferring funds to the Capitol Fund account. Immediate action does not need to be taken. Brian motioned to move the funds so they would be available at the time a decision is made to purchase a new truck. Rich seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Equipment

Jim reported a new 90 horse Evinrude motor has been purchased for the transport in the amount of \$5891.17 Jeff reported the trucks are out of storage and taken to Zingg for routine service. Recalls have been completed. An estimate was given for further repairs both trucks are in need of totaling approximately \$2900.00. Brian motioned all repair issues be completed prior to start up. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Jeff will remain the sub contractor until the 2009 RFP's are reviewed and a decision is made at the May board meeting.

Lake Management Plan

Don reported he received a phone call from DNR agent Heidi Bunk saying the aquatic survey would not be ready and available until the end of April. This will put us behind with acquiring chemical spraying and harvesting permits. Brian will be perusing this issue by calling Jim McNally to ask what can be done to enable us to move ahead applying for permits. We were informed originally the survey was to be completed by February 1st, 2009 and now we are being informed it will not be completed until May 1st, 2009.

Old Business

RFP - Brian suggested we use the RFP from last year making the following change: Proposals need to be postmarked no later than May 10th, 2009. The proposal will be published in the Whitewater Register issues April 16th, 2009 and April 23rd, 2009. Sealed bids will be reviewed at the May 14, 2009 board meeting. Jerry motioned the RFP be put in the Whitewater Register as proposed. Rich seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Dave Cleven reported goose egg oiling will begin 4-10-09 in the south lobe depending on the wind as strong winds will make navigation difficult in a small boat through the cattails. The rest of the areas will be done the week of 4-13-09 by pontoon boat that Jeff has offered to provide. The nests will be revisited the second and third week after oiling. The second week more oiling will be done if needed; the third week eggs that are left will be broken. The geese molting season begins around the last week in June and 1st week in July at which time resident geese will be captured, the meat processed and given to food pantries.

Questions / concerns from the floor: Jim Harmon reported brush at the dump site was cut down and grading completed. The driveway is in need of gravel. Brian will be calling Paul Sangrin on this issue.

Thank you's were received from Gordon and John for the gift certificates given them for their service on the board. Art was asked to contact Debbie Mischka to see if we can use her property again to dump seaweed and bog material and ask if she would like the existing bog material flattened out. We then would make sure that would be done for her.

Norm reported mooring buoys was voted down at the Town Meeting. Brian discussed the legislation bills that will be signed regarding phosphorous and changing the "NO WAKE" on lakes from 50' to 100'. Jim motioned there be a 50' no wake sign at the channel R & W Townline Road. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Gerhard asked who has jurisdiction over safety buoys.

Norm replied the Town Board has and they try to work together with patrol officers but there is someone who does not want to give lake management authority to put buoys out. Rich said I amend the motion to recommend to the town board the prior motion of 50'. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Bill briefly reported on the By-Laws. More discussion on this was tabled to the May meeting. Brian reported the dam project was under investigation and further discussion was tabled to the May meeting.

A spring newsletter will be published and mailed in May. Brian asked all chairmen to submit a small report for the newsletter at the next meeting.

Lakes and Ponds suggested we have the lake water tested. They would provide this service for \$1500 testing in spring and fall. Further discussion at the May meeting.

Jeff reported the floating bog will be removed in a couple weeks.

Rich motioned to adjourn this meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM

Next Meeting: May 14, 2009 6 PM Town Hall - Willis Ray Road

Respectfully submitted
Susan Speerbrecher
Clerk

WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MAY 14, 2009

The regular board meeting of the Whitewater/Rice Lake Management District was called to order at 6 PM by appointed chairman Brian Morris

Present: Brian Morris, Don Wickerscheimer, Jim Felland, Bill Watts, County Representative, Jerry Grant, and Town Representative, Norm Pruesner

Absent: Rich Charts

Guests: Rob Krohlow with Horton Insurance, Dave Cleven, Art Speerbrecher, Jeff Widner, Bob Grant

Administrative: Jerry motioned to approve the minutes as presented from the April 9, 2009 meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Rich is needing help in organizing his boxes of paperwork. The board approved his request with Susie's willingness to help.

Financial: In the absence of Rich, Don presented the April expenses totaling \$12,534.41 Brian motioned to approve the expenses as presented. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Chemical: Bill reported a survey was done on Monday May 11, 2009 and the south end was sprayed on Tuesday May 12, 2009. Pond weed and curly leaf was treated. A question if a down payment in the amount of \$15,000 was paid to Lakes and Ponds. Brian motioned if a check has not been issued for this Rich should cut a check to them. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Equipment: Jim reported the motor for the transport has arrived and has been installed. Art reported the black truck is still in need of a brake job and suggested that be done and hold off on a purchase of a pre-owned truck for another year. Brian suggested we continue looking for another truck as Jeff knows of a 2008 Dodge for sale. He asked Jim, Art, and Jeff to look into this. Jim suggested taking the vehicle to Zingg to have an inspection done and ask for an estimate on what the value is.

Dam Issue: Brian has been in touch with Shane and asked if Walworth County who is the present owner of the dam has a disaster plan in place and if not when will they have one. Rob Krohlow from Horton Insurance said there are very few disaster plans on file. He asked what the dam hazard rating was? The knowledge the board has is that the most recent inspection report was unsatisfactory. Rob went on to say that when a bid is accepted and the dam repaired the DNR will need to re-inspect and suggested we ask the county to help push for another inspection. After a satisfactory rating the dam can be added to our policy. Lake residents would have to approve taking over ownership at an annual meeting.

RFP Proposal: J & T Marina has been awarded the Weed Harvesting Contract with the contract date being effective January 2009 - May 13, 2010. Bill motioned the date of contract be as mentioned. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Brian motioned as there we no other bidders the contract we awarded to J & T Marina at a wage of \$16.00 per hour. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. As in previous years a \$10,000 advance will be issued to Jeff. Don will purchase 5 park stickers for the crew. Art mentioned a municipal plate was missing off the red truck. The board asked Art if he would look into getting a replacement plate. Brain made a motion Art is paid \$15.00 per hour for special projects, such as looking into replacement plates, pre owned vehicles, etc. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Newsletter: Brian asked all chairman have an article written up by the next meeting for approval, printing, and mailing in June.

By-Laws: Bill reported at the present time our By-Laws say we cannot own the dam. We do need to have 6 candidates on the ballot at the annual meeting. Board members will need to be voted in. Other voting issues will also take place and will be mentioned in the newsletter. Brain is going to invite the Richmond Town Attorney to our June meeting.

Goose Egg Oiling: Dave reported 432 eggs in 67 nests were destroyed on Whitewater Lake and 70 eggs in 14 nests on Rice Lake. Geese roundup will happen June 15th - July 15th and volunteers are needed to help in the capture.

Brian motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted
Susan Speerbrecher
Clerk

**WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
JUNE 11, 2009 MINUTES**

The regular board meeting of the WhitewaterRice Lake Management District was called to order at 6PM by appointed chairman Brian Morris

Present: Brain Morris, Don Wickerscheimer, Jim Felland, Rich Charts, Bill Watts
County Representative, Jerry Grant, and Town Representative Norm Pruesener
Clerk Present: Susie Speerbrecher

Guests: Audry Greene, Walworth County Representative, Gerhard & Theresa Stegemann,
Dave Cleven, Attorney Terry Race, Art Speerbrecher, Jeff Widner

Administrative: Jerry motioned to approve the minutes as presented from the May 14, 2009 board meeting.
Rich seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Guest Speakers: Audrey Greene a lake specialist from Walworth County Land Use and Resource Management spoke on a program being offered called : Clean Boats/Clean Water. The program educates boaters of invasive species that can invade our lakes being carried on boats and on boat trailers. The program is free and she is willing to educate groups of interested people.

Attorney Terry Race presented his law back ground specifically with lakes and municipalities. He works as a sub contractor at a "casual" rate of \$90.00 per hour.

Brian made a motion to have Attorney Race start the process drawing up a document and to work with Bill Watts on proposed changes to our present By-Laws. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Financial

Rich presented the disbursements for May totaling \$33,443.98. Bill motioned these expenses be paid as presented. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Equipment

Jim reported Aquarius has inspected the equipment and it is ready for start up.

Brian asked Jim, Art, and Jeff to continue working on locating a pre-owned truck to replace the black truck presently in use.

Weed Harvesting

Don reported we have received a preliminary Lake Management Plan enabling us to proceed obtaining permits for harvesting. However another survey needs to be re-done as the findings were inconclusive due to a unusual year in many ways. This survey will be done July 18, 2009 taking approximately 3 -4 hours at no cost to us.

Brian strongly suggested their be a "Crew Chief" on the water to observe where weeds are growing and designate where cutters will be harvesting. The board will be looking closely at the cutters to make sure there is no "cutting water" happening this year. Pieces of bog material is floating in several areas and the cutters should be picking it up when they see it.

Comments

Brain reviewed the Spring / Summer newsletter and asked that it be in the mail by Thursday June 18, 2009.
Susie will contact Marlin Printing and follow through.

Dave reported July 1st, 2009 is the target date for the Goose Round Up and volunteers are still needed.

No further business

Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting, Rich seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speerbrecher, Clerk

Whitewater /Rice Lake Management District Board Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2009

The regular board meeting of the Whitewater/Rice Lakes Management District was called to order at 6:01 PM by appointed chairman Brian Morris.

Present: Brian Morris, Don Wickerscheimer, Jim Felland, Rich Charts and Bill Watts

Absent: County Representative, Jerry Grant and Town Representative, Norm Pruesener

Clerk Present: Susie Speerbrecher

Guests: Dave Cleven, Jeff Widner, Art Speerbrecher, Andy Wojdula

Administrative: Rich moved to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting as presented. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Membership to the Wisconsin Association of Lakes is now due. Brian motioned to approve a check be issued to continue our membership. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Reports:

Chemical - No report at this time

Equipment - Jim reported he had a few leads on pre-owned trucks and will follow through on them. Recalls have been received on the new and sold outboard motors. The new owners that purchased our used outboard motors will be notified of the recalls.

Harvesting - Don reported SEWRPC is planning to be on the lake Monday July 13, 2009 to do another plant survey. It is unknown at this time how extensive the survey will be and how long it will take to complete.

Bog - Brian commented we be aggressive when it come up and to the use the dump site if permissible. Deb Mischka's property would be the second option to unload bog material.

Financial - Disbursements for June totaled \$24,412.52. Rich asked to amend the \$250 for membership of the Wisconsin Association of Lakes as stated in the report to \$330, changing the total disbursements to \$24,492.52. Bill motioned these expenses be paid. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Jeff / J & T Marina asked if his expenses for payroll and supplies be paid sooner then on a monthly basis. It was agreed Jeff would e-mail Rich on a weekly basis expenses incurred and a check will be cut. Jeff will get necessary paperwork to Rich shortly thereafter.

Goose Summary - On Wednesday July 1, 2009 was the day that we had our Canadian Goose Round Up on our lakes. We had a successful round up. We captured 64 Canadian Geese on Whitewater Lake and 37 Canadian Geese on Rice Lake for a grand total of 101 captured Canadian Geese. They are now on their way to a food processor to be made into goose patties to be distributed to our Wisconsin Food Pantries.

Annual Meeting Review

Brian reviewed the proposed agenda. We are in compliance with our by laws having 6 candidates on the slate for 5 board positions that are open. Rich reviewed three proposed budget options. Option number two was agreed upon and will be published in both the newsletter and newspaper. Newsletters will be mailed out July 20, 2009. In the last newsletter Bill had listed potential changes to the by laws. In this newsletter he will also include eliminating nominations from the floor at an annual meeting. Candidates seeking election should be present monthly board meetings. These potential changes will be voted upon at the meeting. Bill has also prepared a draft of the Whitewater Lake Dam ownership. Brian motioned and seconded by Rich that "The Board of Commissioners" recommend that the District NOT take ownership of the dam by the county. Motion Carried. The vote was unanimous. Susie will obtain a current copy of the tax roll for registration and voting purposes at the meeting. One vote per property owner will be counted.

Comments: The carp below the dam continue to be an aggravating issue and ways of elimination are being investigated.

Brian motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bill seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speerbrecher
Clerk

**WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING/ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2009**

The Whitewater/Rice Lake Management District Budget Meeting/Annual Meeting was held at Lakeview School and called to order by appointed chairman Brian Morris at 9 AM. Approximately 82 residents were in attendance.

Brian began the meeting by thanking everyone for coming.

ADMINISTRATIVE

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2008 Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting was made by Robert Chamberlain and seconded by Stan Vesely. Motion Carried.

Brian introduced board members present. Bill Watts, Rich Charts, Don Wickerscheimer, Jim Felland, clerk Susie Speerbrecher. County Supervisor Jerry Grant, and Whitewater Town Chairman Ron Fero were also present.

Brian announced Rich Charts was appointed treasurer after the last annual meeting. As appointed chairman Brian reviewed the six goals he set out to accomplish:

1. Attend Whitewater and Richmond town meetings
2. Review the equipment insurance policy
3. Have a safety equipment inspection prior to start up by the manufacturer
4. Review district by laws with attorney Race
5. Forecasting spending of tax payer dollars
6. Meetings with DNR biologists who oversees the lake

A brief talk was given by the following commissioners

Chemical – Bill Watts reported that pond weed was down – only spot spraying was done in certain areas – milfoil goes in 10 – 12 year cycles and another plant survey may be done in spring. The budget line was maintained, however would like to see a \$5000 increase for precautionary measurers.

Weed Harvesting – Don Wickerscheimer who has served on the board for three years and is not running for re-election reported there was minimal weed growth due to high water and winter weather. Curly pond weed is beginning to surface. The 7'cutter will remain on Rice Lake until the end of the season. The budget has been down the last couple years.

Equipment – Jim acknowledged Art Speerbrecher and Jeff Widner for keeping the equipment in good repair. The transport motor is exchanged out yearly and the used one is up for sale. Anyone interested in purchasing the year old motor should talk to Jeff. The district is looking into replacing the black truck and if anyone knows of a diesel with low mileage and about 3 years old should contact Art or himself. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on the board for six years and would like to continue.

Bog – Brian, bog manager reported we had an aggressive removal last fall. The bog is up more then ever this year and aggressive removal will be continued. The budget allows 30 days for removal. Comments from the floor were concerns of people walking on the bog and also appreciated efforts put forth last year working all day and in all weather during removal. The bog permit expires in 2013.

Goose Depredation - Dave Cleven has completed three years working on geese removal. This year 540 eggs were destroyed in 82 nests. Those that volunteered to help were Andy Wojdula, Nancy & Jim Vondrak, George Wood, John Currie, Pat & Tom Koppelman, Tom Potrykus, Fran Cleven, Don Wickersheimer, Brain Morris, Bernie Tangney and Don Sorenson. During molting season 101 resident geese were captured and sent to a food processor for distribution to food pantries. Dave hopes everyone enjoyed a cleaner lake and shores and volunteers are always welcome to help.

Fish Stocking – Brian reported 2000 hybrid blue gills and 100# of fat head minnows will be stocked. Both lakes are healthy in production of large mouth bass and northern pike.

Whitewater Town Chairman, Ron Fero gave a short report on replacement of buoys, lake patrol issues, and road repairs. He asked if anyone has lake issues to call him or Town Supervisor Norm Pruesener. Town meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall.

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES

Dwight Swartwood gave a brief introduction and bio of himself as a candidate to become a board member.

Andy Wodjula gave a brief introduction and bio of himself as a candidate to become a board member.

Jim Felland has been on the board for 6 years and lived on the lake for 14 years. He enjoys the lake and would like to continue as a board member.

Rich Charts has been our appointed treasurer for the past year and also manages the www.whitewaterlake.org website. He enjoys working with the board and would like to continue.

Bill Watts has been on the board three years and would like to continue. He has been living on the lake for the past three years.

Brian Morris was appointed chairman after the last annual meeting and enjoys the great people he works with on the board. He would like to continue serving on the board.

Voting and collection of ballots

Walworth County Representative – Shane Crawford spoke to the residents regarding the **ownership of the Whitewater Dam** and reasons why the district should take ownership of it. After issues were discussed, Bernie Tangney made a motion the Whitewater/Rice Lake Management District **NOT** takes ownership of the dam. Stan Vesely seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.** No one opposed

Budget Approval

Rich thanked auditors Jim Bartlett and Brad Corson for auditing the books this year. They reported the books were professionally maintained, and disbursements and cash receipts were also appropriately maintained. The proposed budget for 2010 is \$150,000. Rich asked permission to move some of the Capital Reserve Fund to the Operating Fund. Jim Vondrak motioned to transfer \$16,500 from the Capital Reserve Fund to the Operating Fund. Dan Dern seconded the motion.

Motion Carried. Leo Worth motioned to accept the budget. Hal Beebee seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.

By Law changes was passed favorably by paper ballot and the proposed changes are as follows:

1. Number of candidates needed to stand for election to board
Current By-Laws # of vacancies plus one
Proposed Change – at least equal to number of vacancies
Rationale for change: It has been difficult to find enough candidates
2. Required written notice of annual meeting and budget hearing
Current by-laws – mailed 10 days in advance to all homeowners or published twice in local paper
Proposed Change - mailed 30 days in advance to all homeowners and published once in local paper
Rationale for change: Most homeowners are not full time residents and deserve a timely mailing
3. Length of terms on board commissioners
Current by laws - does not specify an exact number of two year and three year terms
Proposed Change – establish three 3 years terms and two 2 year terms
Rationale for change – establishes regular staggered terms to ensure that board will always have experienced members with knowledge of important current issues.

Brian thanked Rose Marie Berg, Dawn and Brad Corson for registering residents and counting the ballots.

Comments

Joyce Swartwood thanked Jeff for the great fireworks display and encouraged residents to continue their monetary support.

A thank you was given to the present board for their efforts and hard work.

Whitewater Lake history books are still available for sale.

A question was asked if the trucks were registered (certified) with the DOT -

Election Results

Brain Morris 3 year term, Rich Charts 3 year term, Bill Watts 3 year term, Jim Felland 2 year term, and Andy Wojdula 2 year term.

Brain motioned the next annual meeting is held August 28, 2010. Val Vesely seconded the motion
Motion Carried.

The new board will reconvene after adjournment of the annual meeting to establish offices to be held.

The next monthly meeting of the new board will be September 10, 2009 – 6 PM Town Hall

Stan Vesely motioned to adjourn the meeting. Becky Morris seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned 11:10 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speebrecher
Clerk

WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES

August 22, 2009

The first meeting of the 2009-2010 fiscal year was brought to order by elected commissioner Brian Morris at 11:25 AM.

All the elected commissioners were in attendance that is as follows:

Brian Morris	3 year term
Rich Charts	3 year term
Bill Watts	3 year term
Jim Felland	2 year term
Andy Wojdula	2 year term

Financial

Rich presented the disbursements for July totaling \$11,832.70. Brian motioned to approve these disbursements. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Rich will begin pulling back the \$10,000 advancement to J & T Marina beginning in August at \$500 increments. Any remaining balance due the district will be paid back by J & T Marina at the end of the season.

Administrative

Bill motioned that Brian Morris be elected as chairman of the board. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Don Wickerscheimer had been the secretary on the board and is no longer a commissioner. Rich motioned Jim Felland be our secretary. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Don will work with Andy during the transition period involving weed harvesting and DNR reports.

Brian reported we will be able to store our equipment in Ralph Hennings shed this year. The property will be going up for sale in 2010.

Jim motioned to approve the minutes from the July 9th, 2009 board meeting. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Susie has Don Wickerscheimer's post office box key and will pick up the mail frequently. She will also get new signature cards from the bank.

Brian motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM Next meeting will be September 10, 2009 6 PM at the Town Hall

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speerbrecher
Clerk

WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

The September 10, 2009 Whitewater/Rice Lake Management District board meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Morris at 6:03 PM. All board members were present. Brian Morris, Rich Charts, Bill Watts, Jim Felland, Andy Wojdula. County representative, Jerry Grant, and Town Representative Norm Prusener were also present.

Clerk present: Susie Speerbrecher

Guests present: Brad Corson, Don Oker, Jeff Widner, Art Speerbrecher, and Tom Ganfield

ADMINISTRATIVE

Brian began the meeting by reirrating the board is not to accept any special considerations or favors from vendors. All in agreement.

Jim motioned to accept the minutes from the August 22, 2009 board meeting as presented. Andy seconded the motion. Motion Carried

HARVESTING

Andy reported Don will work with him during this transition time. He is working on weed harvest and bog removal loads to work up yearly comparisons. Don will review the permitting process over the winter with him.

CHEMICAL

Bill will be in touch with Lakes and Ponds in spring to begin the process of spraying. He will get necessary paperwork to Rich to send with a check to them.

EQUIPMENT

Jim reported as of this meeting there has been no leads on the purchase of a pre-owned truck. The outboard will be sold this month. Susie reported that she had called the Department of Transportation and as long as our trailers have municipal plates there is no weight limit. The DOT numbers seen on trucks is a federal number and for commercial use vehicles.

BOG

Brian reported removal started Tuesday September 8, 2009. During the first week there were a few equipment break downs and were averaging 36 loads a day. Jeff mentioned the possibility of leasing equipment in the future, such as a load all and dump truck for more efficiency. He will look into costs and compare them to equipment repairs.

FINANCIAL

Disbursements for August totaled \$7883.44. Brian motioned to approve these disbursements. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Fish stocking invoice totaled \$3309 and will be approved with the October disbursements. Rich has been working with accountant Brad Corson to simplify accounting transactions and improve accountability and reporting. Rich motioned the finance

committee proceed to move some of the following that is to create the two funds to be independent, one for operating funds, and other capital reserve fund, and second to eliminate all the adjustments, capital adjustments, and depreciation as possible and thirdly to simplify the income statements, balance sheets and other annual reports that are generated in 2009 and bring those back to the board. Brian second the motion. Motion Carried

Brad as our auditor is recommending invoices for man hours have more detail and verification with backup. Jeff's contract ends May 13, 2010 and will be issued a check for start up in April.

COMMENTS

October 3, 2010 is a conference at Waukesha County Technical College by the Wisconsin Association of Lakes. Registration cost is \$35.00 and is due by September 25, 2009. To register visit www.wisconsinlakes.org

No meeting in October – a November / December meeting will be announced by e-mail depending on board members availability.

Don Oker spoke about his visit to Camp Joy mentioning to them his concern about vehicles for sale on the corner of P and Kettle Moraine Drive. Scott Hatchett was very pleasant and acknowledged his concerns. He gave Don a great tour of the camp. Don is suggesting board members stop in and introduce themselves to Scott.

We still have a temporary Lake Management Plan in place and are following SEWRPC (Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission) tentative recommendations.

Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speerbrecher
Clerk

AFTER THE MEETING NOTATION: The next board meeting will be TUESDAY November 24, 2009

WHITEWATER / RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES

November 24, 2009

The November 24, 2009 Whitewater / Rice Lake Management District board meeting was called to order by Chairman Brian Morris at 5:58 PM. Board members present were Brian Morris, Rich Charts, Jim Felland, and Bill Watts. Andy Wojdula was present by telephone speaker communication. Town representative Norm Pruesner was also present.

Clerk present: Susie Speerbrecher

Guests: Jeff Widner, Art Speerbrecher, Brad Corson, and Dave Clevon

ADMINISTRATIVE

Rich motioned to accept the September 10, 2009 minutes as presented. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

CHEMICAL

Bill reported Lakes and Ponds completed the water sample test. He will e-mail the reports when they are received. He also asked Lakes and Ponds to mail the spraying permits to Rich to sign in his absence.

EQUIPMENT

Jim reported he received a phone call from the Safety Boat Patrol Chief, Casba Keller inquiring about a grant to purchase an outboard motor for the patrol boat. Norm said the town will be handling applying for the grant. There was discussion regarding purchase of a new transport outboard motor and going to a 4 stroke engine, possibly a Yamaha. Jim motioned that in 2010 the outboard motor be replaced with possibly a 4 stroke Yamaha engine. Andy seconded the motion. Motion Carried. The black truck will need replacing before the next harvesting season. Motion was made by Jim that in February / March 2010 focus will be made on replacement of the black truck, looking for a pre – owned, 1 ton dully, 4 wheel drive, low mileage with posi traction with a purchase price of around \$35,000. Motion seconded by Bill. Motion Carried. The truck purchase was presented and approved in Jim Felland's report at the annual district meeting in August 2009.

HARVESTING

The \$10,000 advance to JNT Marina has been paid up in full. Brian motioned to advance Jeff \$5000 prior to March 15, 2010 for harvesting start up. Rich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

This winter will be the last time the equipment will be stored at the Ralph Henning location. Jeff said he would like to put in a bid for storing the equipment at one of his marinas for next winter.

As of this date we have not received a final Lake Management Plan from SEWRPC. (Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission) We have a six month extension and therefore should not

have a problem acquiring permits needed for spraying and harvesting. We will not lose our grant if the final copy of the plan is received by June 30, 2010.

Brian motioned to send Don Wickerscheimer a \$100 gift certificate to acknowledge his years of service on the board. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

BOG

Brian reported we had another good removal season with 906 loads being removed. Jeff and Brian have been discussing how to increase production by possibly using Jeff's dump truck instead of our trailers. Repair costs to equipment were considerably higher than in years past. Brian motioned to send a gift certificate of \$100 to Debbie Mischka for the use of her land to deposit bog material. Bill seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

FISH STOCKING

Brian reported approximately 2000 -2200 hybrid bluegill and 50 # of flat head minnows were put in the lake in fall.

GOOSE DEPREDICATION

Brian has suggested a January newsletter be published and in the mail no later than March 1st with a recap of 2009 committee reports. Each committee chairman has been asked to write up a short article. Dave will have an article which will announce goose egg oiling and round up, asking if any residents have objections of the DNR going on their property. They should e-mail Dave with any issues they may have. Permits for 2010 have been mailed in. Brian motioned that we again support the residents request at the annual meeting that we continue with goose depredation and egg oiling not with a goal in mind to extinct the geese on the lake but to manage our goose population. Rich seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Goose depredation and oiling needs to be put in the 2011 budget.

FINANCIAL

Spread sheets were handed out with the new format Brad Corson suggested. Rich asked for a motion to accept the change in spread sheet layout. Brian motioned to accept Rich's e-mail which identifies a new way of laying out our financial spread sheets. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Rich thanked Brad for his input and help. As part of the auditor's report they added we split our funds into two separate funds that would make it easier for us to keep tabs on how much dollars we have especially as the capital reserve fund grows and as we try to get interest out of that. Right now we are losing track of the interest because of the co-mingling – so with that Rich proposed that we now separate the capitol reserve fund into two separate banking accounts from the operating fund. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. We will have approximately \$76,000 starting off in the capital reserve fund.

Rich motioned to approve the disbursements for Sept. and October and up to \$4000 to end year 2009. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Rich suggested to make sure permits, checks, and invoices are processed on a timely basis he requested Susie be on a retainer of \$100 a month through the year so she can hit the post office box

regularly during the week and make sure we are getting all the bills, letters and correspondence done on a timely basis mainly because we are all volunteers and especially with a lot of snow birds leaving the state. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Rich suggested also in order to make sure disbursements are correctly handled and to give us an official place to put all the digital material Rich moved the board purchases a lap top, software, and printer to maintain all the digital equipment and to do our correspondence in the like. At this time the equipment will be kept with the clerk and used by the clerk. The cost will be approximately \$700.00. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Brain concluded the meeting by thanking Jeff for a great job keeping the lakes looking good even after taking on two new businesses.

Rich motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Next meeting will be held April 8, 2010 by conference call with Brian, Bill and Andy calling in from Florida.

Respectfully Submitted

Susie Speerbrecher, Clerk