

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday March 25, 2014 at the Town of Alden - Town Hall by Chair Brad Johnson.

Members present: Brad Johnson, Dan Davison, Joe Demulling and Don Demulling. Also present were Cheryl Clemens from Harmony Environmental and guests Mike Rutledge and Dennis Cornhill.

The agenda was presented by Johnson. There were no agenda changes. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Davison, seconded by Don Demulling. Motion carried.

Public Input: Mike Rutledge stated that he lives on Polk-St Croix Road and his property is in the Lake District, although he has no access to the lake and can't even see the lake from his property. He is concerned about the possible increase in the lake district tax assessment to pay for the possible alum treatment to the lake. He asked if there is some way his property can be excluded or removed from the lake district boundary. As this had never been requested or brought up to the Board previously, Johnson stated that the district would research the issue and discuss it at a future board meeting.

Minutes of the February 25, 2014 meeting were discussed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Johnson, seconded by Joe Demulling. Motion carried.

The Treasurers Report was postponed to the next meeting.

Old Business

1. Cheryl brought various logos designs for us to consider. After viewing all of them, some were eliminated. Cheryl will go back to the designer with our suggestions and she will bring back to a future meeting 2 or 3 final options from which we can chose.
2. Cheryl stated the TRM grant application will be done and submitted prior to deadline. She has been receiving guidance from Cindy Kiperski from the DNR in order to enhance the application. Bill James is finalizing the Water Quality Study which will become part of the grant application.
3. Brad discussed the recent meeting of the Farmer Led Council of the Horse Creek Watershed which had a good turnout. They are offering incentives to farmers who use good erosion control methods and are trying to lead other farmers by example.
4. Board member reports:
 - A. Don Demulling mentioned some classes through the New Richmond WITC Community Ed program which may be of interest to lake residents. Lake residents can view class descriptions at WITC's website.
 - B. Joe Demulling mentioned that Polk County is considering a substantial revision to their Zoning Ordinance, also affecting lakeshore zoning.
 - C. Dan mentioned his plans to send out to lake residents an occasional e-mail from the District highlighting various things resident should be aware of. Residents should submit their e-mail addresses on the District website in order to receive these e-mails.
5. Cheryl mentioned that Beaver Creek did not receive its grant which would have allowed them to provide boat inspection services and invasive species lake inspections for the lake as they had done for us in previous years. A motion was made by Don Demulling, seconded by Joe Demulling to move ahead with the grant application we had submitted through the DNR Clean

Boats Clean Waters program which would provide funding for us to continue these activities.
Motion carried.

6. Discussion of the Aquatic Invasive Species Rapid Response policy was postponed until a future meeting.
7. Discussion of the Districts current insurance policies was postponed until a future meeting.
8. Lake study invoices and the current status of the DNR grants were reviewed. Brad has completed the required DNR Grant Payment Request forms. There was a motion by Johnson, seconded by Don Demulling to submit the Grant Payment Request to the DNR for payment under the Lake Plan Summary grant. Motion carried. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Don Demulling to submit the Grant Payment Request to the DNR for payment under the Cedar Lake DF Study grant, to included costs for the development of the Lake Plan. Motion carried.
9. Brad brought up for discussion the upcoming Wisconsin Lakes annual conference in Stevens Point April 24th – 26th and encouraged any commissioners to attend if they could.

New Business

1. Agenda items for the April meeting include: review of lake district map, review of the AIS Rapid Response Plan, insurance review, review and possible selection of a logo and discussion of aerator removal. Other items should be sent to Johnson for inclusion in the agenda.

Next meeting date: April 29th (Tuesday) 2014 at 5:30 at the Town of Alden Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Davison, seconded by Joe Demulling, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary