

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – May 26, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday May 26, 2015 at the Town of Alden Town Hall by Chair Don Demulling.

Members present: Don Demulling, Dan Davison, Joe Demulling, Warren Wood, Dan Early, Kent Rebeck and Helen Johnson. Also present were guests Cheryl Clemens from Harmony Environmental and Scott Counter representing the Town of Star Prairie.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Johnson, seconded by Wood. Motion carried.

Minutes of the April 28, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Davison, seconded by Don Demulling. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

- Scott Counter from the Town of Star Prairie addressed the meeting with information of money that is available through the Stillwater Bridge Project Mitigation Funds Program. Funds must be used in the area of stormwater and sanitary sewer planning. Counter wondered if the Cedar Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District would be interested in applying for a grant to study the future feasibility of installing sanitary sewer. The process consists of the District paying for a consultant to apply for the grant. The grant request would be for funds from the Mitigation Funds. The grant funds would pay for the feasibility study and have a value of roughly \$45,000. After much discussion, a motion was made by Rebeck, seconded by Don Demulling to have Warren Wood contact Angela Popenhagen from Stevens Engineers about the grant application and authorize Wood to enter into an agreement with Stevens Engineers for the grant application at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Motion carried.
- Aerator. Nothing new from the DNR. They are facing budget and personnel issues and noting is currently planned for aerator removal.
- Alum Treatment Planning. Early will be arranging an in-person meeting with staff from the Rice Creek watershed in the Twin Cities who recently did an alum treatment. He will notify board members of the date and time. Early has also contacted a representative from HAB Aquatics, the firm that did the Rice Creek treatment. They are willing to come to district meeting in the near future.
- Annual Meeting Speaker. Cheryl Clemens reported she has contacted Dick Osgood, an expert in alum treatments and lake quality issues and he has agreed to speak at our annual lake association meeting in August.
- Cheryl discussed possible newsletter content. Several suggestions were made and discussed.

- July 4th Pontoon Parade. It will be held at 12:00 Noon at the sandbar, as usual. Various names were discussed as a possible Grand Marshall. Early will contact those suggested.
- By-Law Changes. A discussion was held regarding the possibility of abolishing the existing By-Laws and instead operate under Chapter 33 of the Wisconsin Statutes, which we are doing already. It was felt that this would reduce confusion and eliminate the chance of inadvertent conflict between the two documents. Johnson stated that many lake districts have done this in Wisconsin. A motion was made by Wood, seconded by Joe Demulling to make the recommendation to the electorate at the August 2015 annual meeting to abolish the existing by-laws and follow Chapter 33. Motion carried.
- Treasurers Report: Early gave a review of bank account activity since the last meeting. Current account balances total \$127,390.95. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Davison, seconded by Rebeck. Motion carried
- The budget for the upcoming fiscal year was discussed. Line items were evaluated individually. Additional discussion will be held at the June meeting.
- A motion was made by Davison, seconded by Johnson to pay the previously approved and budgeted \$2,000 to the Horse Creek watershed farmer Led Council to help with their efforts in the watershed.
- Agenda items for the next meeting will include: TRM Grant update, Rice Creek Watershed meeting discussion, Alum treatment, budget discussion, July 4th parade, newsletter, Stillwater Bridge Mitigation Funds, Board member reports and HAB Aquatics discussion. Additional items should be submitted to Don Demulling.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2015 at 5:30.

Motion to adjourn by Rebeck, seconded by Joe Demulling. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary