

Steering Council Meeting Minutes May 3, 2007

Meeting Called to Order 7:25PM

Roll Call

Members in Attendance – Robert Livingston, Corinne Krebs, Tom Porps, Bryan Neal, Vytai Barcas

Members not in Attendance – Jamie Smith, Tony Migon

Minutes:

Minutes from 3/27/07 and 4/26/07 were passed out and read by Council members. A motion for approval was made.....

Motion: Tom Porps

Second: Vytai Barcas

Minutes from 3/27/2007 were approved unanimously.

Members discussed that the April 26th meeting would not require approval, but could be submitted as Meeting Notes since the meeting did not have a quorum. Members briefly discussed some of the items in the notes from the April meeting.

Budget Review:

Bob passed out the budget printed for review at the last meeting and presented the question whether or not we feel it's important to adjust the budget items. Bob then, explained that he had talked to David Cox about a Stormwater Utility to provide some financial support for lake protection projects since grant funding appears to be an expensive way to pursue funding for the projects and has become a mute point. Tom suggested that it be limited to new construction since remodeling contractors have already been paying into something like this.

Tom, then, asked what the current mil rate is for Twin Lakes. Bob could not recall the information off-hand, but thought it was approximately 38. The maximum a Lake District can leverage is a mil rate of 250. This led to discussion about the Esch Rd stormwater project the District is attempting to obtain funding to complete. Members talked about whether this may be the District's alternative since we can no longer earmark funds for large project like we did for the buoy boat. Members also talked about how the mil rate and the budget work with annexed land the Village recently acquired.

The current budget works well for the regular operations of the District and members talked about keeping funding for special projects separate from the operating budget and asked the community to vote on pursuing special projects. Bob asked that everyone talk to their committees about budgetary needs so it can be discussed again at the end of the month and finalized before notification of the Annual Lake District Meeting goes out.

The next meeting will be held May 31, 2007 at 7:00PM in the Twin Lakes Village Hall.

Meeting Adjourned 8:47PM