

## Twin Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District Steering Council Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 2/23/2006

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Place:** Twin Lakes Village Hall, Twin Lakes, WI

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

**Members in attendance:** Robert Livingston, Steering Council Chairperson

Jamie Smith, Shoreline Protection Committee

Vytau Barcus, Stormwater Committee

Corinne Krebs, Communication Committee

Tom Porps, Water Safety Committee

Bryan Neal, Water Quality Committee

Tony Migon, Aquatic Plants Committee

**Others in attendance:** None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The first item under old business involved a briefing from Tony Migon on this year's Milfoil spraying proposal. He explained that the cost has increased by 3-5% due to an increase in chemical prices. Of course, price will also depend on number and size of Milfoil beds.

Robert Livingston reported back to the Council regarding Northern Environmental's introduction to the Commissioner. Trustee Stoen was the only Commissioner who was concerned about the Council's choice. He felt the Stormwater Committee should have gone through the process of choosing a firm to work on Lake District projects and brought it to the Steering Council, rather than having the Steering Council chose the firm.

From there the Council listened to Committee Reports; first from the Boat Safety & User Conflict Committee. Tom presented the Courtesy Code Sticker. All Council members felt we needed to proceed with printing. Tom will report back at the next meeting with printing costs. Tom also reported that the Staff gauges were ready to go and will go in when the buoys go in. Then, Bryan Neal informed the Council that Jeff Thorton from SWERPC said the District did not have to wait on the Lake Management Plan to stock fish. The Fish & Water Quality Committee will proceed with stocking both lakes with fish. Robert asked that the committee look into conducting secci disc readings so the district can begin to monitor water clarity in Lake Mary and Lake Elizabeth. Finally, Vytau Barcas provided the Council with a report that the committee will be looking into water testing of both lakes. The Stormwater Committee would like to test for nitrogen, phosphorus, E.coli, coliform, and heavy metals. Vytau also stated the committee felt it was important to send out notices on Twin Lakes' Phosphorus ban. The Council members agreed and suggested that the committee pursue any notification they deem necessary and applicable. Robert asked that the committee review the Village Stormwater Ordinances; fine tune them and provide suggestions that can be taken to the Village for acceptance/approval.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Robert Livingston presented his support for financial assistance to all commissioners and 2 subcommittee members from each sub committee to attend the Annual State Lake Conference in Green Bay. He believes that the educational value of attending such events surpasses the monetary expense of attending. The Council then put forward a motion to reimburse any/all Commissioner(s) and up to 2 subcommittee members from each Subcommittee registration fee to attend the State Lake Convention in Green Bay.

*Motioned by:* Tony Migon

*Second by:* Bryan Neal

*Approved unanimously*

Robert, then, asked the Council whether they also wanted to financially support anyone interested in attending the Southeastern Wisconsin Lakes Workshop. The members felt this would allow more people to participate in educational events since it was a one day event and much closer. A motion was made that any/all Commissioner(s) and anyone interested in attending would receive a \$35.00 reimbursement from the Lake District.

*Motion by:* Tony Migon

*Second by:* Corinne Krebs

*Approved unanimously*

Then, Robert posed a question to the Council regarding funding the Lance Park project. The AdHoc Committee would like to see the project split between the Park Board and the Lake District. After some discussion about the complexity of splitting the cost of such a project, and appropriately allocating funds to the project, and putting other Lake District projects on hold/ the Council did not feel comfortable with the proposal to split funding the project and sent it back to the AdHoc Committee. If David Cox can clarify the language used, the Council would reconsider.

The third item discussed involved a presentation from Tom Porps on the property inventory project. The Boat Safety & User Conflict Committee reviewed Current, Historic, and Possible Future Uses for each parcel listed. Tom felt the descriptions were too vague or simplistic and suggested the committee address 5-10 parcels per month until they have gone through all of them. The Council agreed to wait until the next meeting to discuss the topic further.

Finally, the Council talked about inactive committee members crippling progress made by the Communication Committee and how new volunteers could be enticed to join. First, the Council talked about recruiting new members or gaining assistance by contacting the Chamber of Commerce or local churches. Then a motion was put forth stating; all members of the Communication Committee except Corinne Krebs, Lynne Hellman, and Vicki Skinner will be relieved of their duties, obligations, and responsibilities for the Committee.

*Motion by:* Bryan Neal

**Second by:** Jamie Smith

*Approved unanimously*

The next meeting date was set for March 23, 2006, 7:00PM at the Twin Lakes Village Hall.

*Motion to Adjourn:* Tony Migon

*Second:* Corinne Krebs

*Meeting Adjourned.*