

Twin Lakes Protection & Rehabilitation District
Steering Council Minutes

Date: 1/26/2006

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Twin Lakes Village Hall, Twin Lakes, WI

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

Members in attendance: Robert Livingston, Steering Council Chairperson

Tony Migon, Aquatic Plants Committee (late due to traffic)

Barb Robison fill-in in for Vytou Barcus, Stormwater Committee

Corinne Krebs, Communication Committee

Tom Porps, Water Safety Committee

Members not in attendance: Jamie Smith, Shoreline Protection Committee

Bryan Neal, Water Quality Committee

Others in attendance: Trustee Mike Moran, Andy & Bob from Northern Environmental

Minutes:

Reading and approval of 12/22/2006 Minutes

Motion to approve: Tony Migon

Second: Tom Porps

Approved unanimously

Treasurers Report:

Tony Migon presented the treasurer's report. He did not have time to preview them prior to the meeting, but nothing seemed to be in conflict to him or the rest of the Council members.

Motion to approve, pending Tony's final review: Tom Porps

Second: Corinne Krebs

Approved unanimously

Old Business (Committee Reports):

Boat Safety and User Conflict - Tom Porps reported that 3 staff gauges will be put up this year. One gauge will appear at Lance Park, one at Musial boat launch, and the third should be located in another highly visible location, possibly Mad Dan's. The Council members briefly discussed other locations for the staff gauges and inquired about what the staff gauges would look like.

Tom also reported on the courtesy code stickers. He did not have the most recent version with him, so he would bring it to the next meeting for approval.

Shoreline Protection - Robert presented the committee's progress. Judy Jooss received all the pictures he had on the potential public properties around town. We will discuss the project progress more in the next meeting.

Stormwater - Barb Robison filled in for Vytou Barcas to bring the Council an update of the committee. She discussed the runoff situation at Bayview Channel and explained the committee will be investigating it further and report their findings at the next meeting. There was some discussion about capping the pipe or diverting the water to the swamp behind the channel so it could be naturally purified before entering the lake system.

Communication - The committee had no report, Corinne has decided to suspend meetings due to lack of involvement. There was a brief discussion on how to address the situation, no decisions were made. Corinne will have Darling Software post a brief advertisement on the web page.

New Business:

The first order of business was to provide Bob & Andy from Northern Environmental with some direction on where the Council would like to go with future projects and have something prepared for presentation to the Commissioners for final approval of the firm. The firm's task will be to move the Esch Road Project forward. Bob presented some baffle information and explained the intermittent ditch damns. The Council also requested an open bioswale be added at the outlet to provide more opportunities for the water to infiltrate. The Council then talked about proceeding with a spillway for the lakes to reduce political tension surrounding the issue of lake levels. Although this will take time to develop, the Council wanted Northern Environmental to be aware of the scope of projects we intend to tackle. The focus will be on Esch Road for now. Throughout the dialog pertaining to the projects, funding for such projects was repeatedly introduced. Andy talked about the Stewardship Grants and Lake Protection Grants that could be applied for and time was running short as the due date of May 1st approaches. He also mentioned that Spring grant applications are highly competitive, but that the project could be funded 50:50 if the money was granted to Twin Lakes. Northern Environmental will apply for the grant this Spring and bring the results to the Council.

Finally, Robert Livingston asked for details concerning the firm's relationship with Bonestroo. They explained that Bonestroo is a completely separate entity and provide support for architectural structures.

Next meeting date: 2/23/2006 at 7:00 PM, Twin Lakes Village Hall

Motion to adjourn by: Corinne Krebs

Seconded: Tom Porps

Approved