

Twin Lakes Protection & Rehabilitation District  
Steering Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/22/2006

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Twin Lakes Village Hall

1. Meeting called to order 7:07 PM
2. Members in attendance Bryan Neal, Vytau Barcas, Jamie Smith, Corinne Krebs, and Robert Livingston.  
Members not in attendance Tom Porps and Tony Migon  
Others in attendance Deyle Chesni, Lonnie Chesni, and Judy Joss
3. None to approve.
4. Committee Reports
  - A. Stormwater Committee (Vytau Barcas) did not have a quorum for his last meeting, so not much to report, but the committee did purchase some test kits to begin the water testing they wanted to pursue. He provided a copy of the kits purchased and stated that the committee is in the process of reviewing the kits to make sure they can get the most accurate readings possible.
  - B. Fish & Water Quality Committee (Bryan Neal) Robert has not heard from the DNR yet about the fish stocking. Bryan stated that they were looking into stocking the lakes ourselves and it is his understanding that the stocking can only occur two out of all the Saturdays in October. They have lost contact with Dale Gittings, who used to stock the lakes through the Sportsman Club. Bryan then reported on his progress with getting the Ordinance packets out to Twin Lakes Realtors and the Village Building Inspector. Currently the packets only contain the ordinances in place and the reading is a bit dry. This lead into more discussion about expanding the packets to be a little more user-friendly.  
Robert then brought up that he would like the committee to take secci disc readings. Judy and Bryan talked in more detail about the current monitoring that is being done as well as the history. They will remain in contact to get the District more involved in the volunteer monitoring. Corinne told Bryan the Communication Committee was working on getting data sheets put together for these. Judy stated that the secci discs come with a sheet and suggested that the committee also keep tract of rain events.
  - C. Shoreline Committee (Jamie Smith) also did not have a quorum at her last meeting, but they will be holding another meeting to make decisions. They will be sending out the project bid packets for review at their next meeting. The pre-bid meeting will be rescheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 12:00pm to give contractors time to respond and bids will need to be submitted by July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 1:00pm to the Village of Twin Lakes. The project is expected to be underway shortly after the Annual Lake District Meeting.

She reported Tom's concerns to her committee, but the committee is not willing to move until they receive further information about the concerns. They still feel that the 60' set back is reasonable.

She also reported back that the fire lanes they were looking into did have parcel numbers and Judy Joss recorded as many as possible.

Jamie brought one more item to the Council's attention regarding garbage at Lance Park. She would like to see it cleaned up and asked what, if anything, the Council could do about it. The Council suggested that she take pictures and send them to the Village (Attn: David Cox).

- D. Communication Committee (Corinne Krebs) reported that the committee had some mix ups with the meeting date, so there was no quorum at the last scheduled meeting. It has been rescheduled for Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006. She reported that the committee is focusing on the Annual Lake District Meeting at this point in the game, but will working on data monitoring sheets to begin compiling a database of information for the two lakes, and brought up the idea of recognizing property owners in compliance with the shoreline ordinance. Each member of the communication committee has been assigned a subcommittee, so the Communication Committee can act as a microphone for the District.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

The Council began old business with a discussion revisiting the issue of the Shoreline Zoning Ordinances amendments. The shoreline committee does not agree with amending the 60'0" set back. There was some suggestion to add language regarding properties that have more than one side abutting water. Concerns that came up regarding the amendments involved the number of variances coming back to the board, the variances that are being passed regardless of the ordinance, strength of the ordinance, and that relaxing the setback does not necessarily mean that fewer variances will be requested or that the variances should be allowed all the time anyway. The Council would like to see Tom bring back his concerns about the ordinance in a format that everyone can understand. Other members of the Council are not as familiar with the ordinances as Tom and would like to understand the issue more clearly before any amendments are made.

Then the Council revisited the Stormwater Ordinance topic about enforcement. It is obviously difficult to enforce and that no one is enforcing the issue now. There was discussion about getting someone in on a full time basis to enforce the stormwater ordinance; to fund such as position, developers would pay a stormwater fee. The other suggestion that came out was that volunteers be the "watch dog" for the building inspector. That way he would only have to visit sites people call in for. The foreseeable problem with that is it is difficult to regulate and still does not guarantee that the enforcement will be done. One other suggestion was to work with other local municipalities/governmental bodies to hire one person full time to handle all environmental issues. This would help spread out the financial burden and keep the person reasonably objective by handing a region rather than just one Village.

*Motion:* The Twin Lakes Steering Council recommends the Village employ a Conservation Zoning Officer to monitor all permitted projects throughout the Village, reporting directly to the building inspector. Possible funding sources should include,

but are not limited to, stormwater permitting fees, implementing or increasing fines for violations of code, and developing a stormwater utility on any new or existing development.

Made by: Bryan Neal

Second: Vytou Barcas

Approve unanimously

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Porps asked that the swim ropes be removed from the Beaches and add more small buoys to designate the beaches. The Council had many safety concerns regarding the suggestion. They also felt that part of the problem is that enforcement of water rules and regulations.

*Motion:* Steering Council recommends that the swim ropes remain at all the beaches and that smaller regulation buoys be added between the larger existing buoys at Lance Park and Musial Beach.

Made by: Robert Livingston

Second: Vytou Barcas

Approved Unanimously

The council would like to see what happens with the additional buoys before removing swim ropes or adding buoys to all the areas on both lakes.

Finally, the Council discussed organization and direction of property inventory project. Robert wants more clear perimeters on future uses for of these properties. Each property would have an associated checklist that could help direct the management of these parcels so that they remain as Village owned parcels and adequately maintained. Each subcommittee needs to create a set of perimeters to be used to evaluate each parcel for potential future use.

The next meeting date will be July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 7:00pm at the Twin Lakes Village Hall.

Robert asked for a special meeting be held on July 13<sup>th</sup> 2006, 7:00pm at the Twin Lakes Village Hall to clear everything up for a commissioners meeting.

Motion: To adjourn

Made by: Jamie Smith

Second: Corinne Krebs

Approved!