

Twin Lakes Protection & Rehabilitation District  
Steering Council Minutes

Date: 9/29/2005

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Twin Lakes Village Hall, Twin Lakes, WI

MOTIONS:

Meeting called to order

Members in attendance: Robert Livingston, Steering Council Chairperson

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

Jamie Smith, Shoreline Protection Committee

Bryan Neal, Water Quality Committee

Vytau Barcus, Stormwater Committee

Corinne Krebs, Communication Committee

Members not in attendance: Tom Porps, Water Safety Committee (out of the country)

Others in attendance: Linda Smith

Larry Smith

Vicki Skinner

Jim Rukas

Pam Becker

Minutes:

Bob Livingston will contact former Steering Council member, Gerry Wrench, regarding minutes of prior meetings. Gerry Wrench sold his house and is moving out of town. Bob Livingston will send a letter to Mr. Wrench requesting he send all files pertaining to the Lake Committees to the Steering Council.

Treasurer Reports:

Tony Migon had nothing new to report.

Old Business (Committee Reports):

Vytau Barcus, Stormwater Committee, reported that when his committee met, they reviewed the prior activities of the committee. They discussed what needed to be prioritized, for the coming year. Some of the issues discussed was runoff into the Lakes from stormwater which prosperous material into the Lakes.

Also discussed during the committee meeting, was the Esch Road project and how to proceed. A conjunction with these types of projects, the committee is identifying other "hotspots" only around both Lakes.

Jamie Smith, Shoreline Committee, reported that when the committee met for the first time post the 2005 Annual Lake District Meeting, they discussed what they thought would be projects for the committee to focus on for the next year, such as, Hearle Channel. Materials were brought in by former committee leader, Judy Jooss. It was determined that lake levels needed to be addressed in a comprehensive matter.

Corinne Krebs, Communication committee, reported that they had an excellent turnout after meeting in the new committee members are very motivated to start assisting the other committees and getting out all the good works. Many good ideas were brought forward by the committee members. One of the main goals of the committee will be to work with children, hopefully, in a partnership with Lakewood School. Assignments

were given to each of the committee members. The committee will continue to pursue articles pertaining to all lake-related matters. The committee will also be working diligently on updating the website in regards to posting agendas, minutes, and educational articles.

Bryan Neal, Water Quality Committee, reported that he is in the process of setting up their first committee meeting. Many other members of the committee are fishermen. The stocking, spawning areas and habitats are very important issues the committee will be addressing.

Tony Migon, Water Quality Committee, reported that the spraying of Eurasian Milfoil (EM) in the summer of 2005 produced good results.

Lynn Hellman set the committee information pertaining to a derivative of the substance used to spray for EM named 2,4-D. Tony indicated he had a difficult time locating a laboratory that tests for the substance. He finally succeeded in locating one laboratory that could do the testing at nominal costs.

Tony indicated that they found high levels of the substance in areas where no spraying occurred. They believe that this was due to the wind coming from different directions. The committee intends to continue to monitor and graph the substance.

Tony also reported that restrictions on spraying for EM may change to allow it earlier in the season. Spraying in cooler weather may assist in reducing the volume of chemicals applied to the Lakes during the height of the summer season. A proactive approach to spraying EM beds may also reduce the spread of the plant through propeller cuttings from boat traffic, since spraying would occur prior to the "busy season".

#### New Business:

Bob Livingston asked that all the committees become involved with the identification and summary of past and future uses of publicly owned properties on the lakes.

Bob stated that Vicki Skinner, Communication Committee member and Pam Becker, district volunteer, photo documented all properties submitted to the committees, by David Cox, Village Administrator. It was reported to Mr. Livingston by Skinner and Becker that many of the properties listed did not correspond correctly to what was submitted by the Village. Many properties that were to be identified as "fire lanes" were not properly marked. Other properties that appeared to be easements were not on the list. It was suggested that Wally Graber tax assessor for the Village be asked to assist in identifying properties from the Plat books at the Village hall. Livingston stated that the Plat books were old copies and that could be of great assistance because many of the properties were not appearing as transferred.

Bob asked that all the committees consider how the properties could be used in relationship to their committee and also for future recreational use. Mr. Livingston also raised the issue of the public launch for Lake Elizabeth. It was discussed at the Village is in negotiations with Mr. Jim Hughes, owner of Mad Dan's. It was noted that other private parties were also in negotiations with Mr. Hughes regarding the purchase of the property. It was suggested that Bob speak directly with Howard Skinner, Village President, and David Cox to understand the acquisition of the property.

Next meeting date: 10/13/2005 at 7:00 PM, Twin Lakes Village Hall

Motion to adjourn by: Tony Migon

Seconded: Bryan Neal

Approved