Minutes of the February 9, 2024 Friday, Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**<u>Roll Call</u>**: Neal Kuhn, Ken Vesely, Judy Jooss, Jim Michels, Dave Anstett and Julie Horbach were present.

**Approval of October, 2023 meeting minutes:** Judy made a motion to approve the June 16, 2023 minutes. Dave seconded. Motion approved.

# **Municipalities:**

Dave Ferger, Chief Water Patrol Officer, reviewed placement and removal procedures for the buoys. They are always looking for better ways since the current procedure involves 10 people. Labor usually consists of 4 officers and 6 Explorers. He is suggesting a plan that would replace the main water buoy with a spar buoy which would be tied to the weight and chain. The spar buoy would sink below the water level in winter and rise when ice is out. The weight and chain would not have to be pulled and replaced and avoid yearly placement measurements. Chains would not have to be re-measured for placement.

In this case, they would have increased accuracy for placement since location would remain the same decreasing time and labor needed. This method has worked out well in other locations. There is no money set aside now in the Randall budget. He would like the DPL to explore a cost sharing with the Town. The District does not have money in the budget for this year but can discuss and vote on it for next year.

Judy said that Twin Lakes uses water jugs which seem to work out fine for individual homeowners. Also, could they use rope buoys tied to the chain and visible?

Discussion was also had of spreading purchases over several years. This could all be discussed at the Annual Meeting.

Neal thanked Dave for his cooperation and asked if anything new with the DNR in regard to wake surfing regulations. Nothing yet from the DNR but our patrol observations at the end of the summer was that residents were using the new pattern. Any reminders were for off lake users who do not know the rules. There are no issues with people who live on the lake. Dave will attend the DNR meeting and inform us of any changes in a month or so.

# **Treasurer's Report**

08/03/2023 to 10/24/2023:

- \$ 5,920.81 = Beginning Balance Nonprofit Checking
- \$ 10,298.27 = Receipts
- $\underline{\$}$  23.94 = Disbursements
- \$ 16,195.14 = Ending Balance Nonprofit Checking Available
- \$23,505.58 = Total Money Market
- <u>\$ 406.50</u> = AIS-BCS Money Market Portion
- \$ 23.099.08 = Wetland Money Market Portion
- \$ 39,700.72 = Total Cash

Neal made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Jim seconded. Motion carried

Neal made a motion to pay the \$10,000 wetland payment . Jim seconded, motion passed.

Ken made a motion to accept any expenses to be paid until June. Dave seconded.

Also, the worksheet for the budget will be sent to Judy and Nancy and used in the future. Also, the budget column for expenses will be sent to Judy and Nancy. Also, approved minutes of a meeting can be posted right away. The website needs updating for minutes from August and October 2023.

# Watershed Management

#### **Aquatic Plant Management**

The Powers Lake survey map was delayed but Jim Scharl from WI Lakes and Ponds sent an email. Neal will follow up with Hay.

## **Fish Stocking**

We have stocked small mouth bass for 3 years in a row now. Dave will check with the DNR about maybe stocking walleye only.

## **<u>Citizen Comments</u>**

Ed Klein often does an introduction to Powers Lake for new owners of property or new boat owners. He feels the DPL could do something like that for new owners. Also, we could list contact info for the TOR, PLYC and Sportsmen's Club on our website. Neal said this ties in with a previous plan to create a Welcome Kit for new owners.

#### **Archival Meeting**

The meeting will be on March 16 at noon at Neal's house.

## **Quarterly Meeting Date:**

The Quarterly Meeting will be June 14, 2024 at 5 p.m. at Randall Town Hall. .

#### Adjournment:

Neal made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dave seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm