

June 11, 2010

Chairman Jim Michels called the quarterly meeting of the District of Powers Lake Board of Commissioners to order at 5:10 p.m. Chairman Michels led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll call. Judy Joss, Colleen Keating, Brooke Jensen, Mark Halvey, Neal Kuhn, Nancy Michael, and Jim Michels.
2. Approval of minutes. Judy Jooss made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Neal Kuhn seconded. Motion carried. The minutes of an executive phone conference on May 13th were read. Jim Michels made a motion to approve those minutes. Brooke Jensen seconded. Motion carried.
3. Citizen comments. The Board was thanked for the Lake Tides information. Thanks to Neal for the phone call before the lake was treated.
4. Treasurer's report. Brooke gave the treasurer's report \$29,167.44 in checking, \$40,973.17 in the wetland account and \$10,637.92 in a wetland CD. Expenses to be paid before the next meeting were gone over. Neal Kuhn made a motion to approve the payment of anticipated expenses. Nancy Michael seconded. Motion carried. Nancy Crabtree stated the audit is still in being worked on. She said the board should look into transferring some of the funds out of the checking account to get more interest.
5. Adopt-A-Lake program. Karen Reddin who teaches the Adopt-A-Lake in Randall School gave a presentation showing soil in different layers and how ground water can be contaminated. She was assisted by a sixth grade teacher. They received a grant from the DNR for expenses to attend a workshop. The third grade has two weeks of class room study and then they spend time at the lake. High school students man the 8 stations at the lake. Most of the students like fishing best. This year the weather was great. The sixth grade spends two and a half months on water issues.
Water Patrol Chief George Lawrence gave an update on issues relating to the patrol. He talked about the ordinances and his duties. There are 8 officers on the patrol all either retired or still active in law enforcement. The chief reports to the town board. Powers Lake is patrolled 32 – 35 man hours per day on the weekend.
6. Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) Lake Protection Plan. No report.
7. Powers Lake outlet. No discussion.
8. Wetland management and/or acquisition. Jim talked to Lee Kozie, he wanted too much for the wetlands he owns. He also talked to Ferdenand Galat His house is being sold on a sheriff's sale. That parcel has five acres most of it wetlands. The new owners will be approached to see if they would be willing to sell the wetlands.
9. DNR and/or other grants. Neal applied for a grant to help with treatment. He received official notification of the award of a 3 year grant. It is a 50-50 grant. He will need to submit the paperwork to get the 50% back. A resolution was passed by the executive committee.
10. Aquatic plant management.

11. Water quality management. Nancy has begun the water testing for the summer. The samples have been good so far. She did call Bob Stoll on getting something to deter the geese.
12. Wisconsin Lakes convention. This was discussed at the last meeting.
13. DPL Election procedures. Colleen explained the clarification on voting procedures for the Annual Meeting. Nancy Michael made a motion to adopt the voter eligibility guide lines. Brooke Jensen seconded. Motion carried. These will be posted on the web-site.
14. DPL By-Laws. The last time the By-Laws were updated was in 2007. Copies of the By-Laws were given out with the proposed changes to them. All State Statutes have been eliminated. Discussion followed. A motion by Neal Kuhn to table this discussion until after the Annual Meeting. Nancy Michael seconded. The motion was carried on a roll call vote: Judy no, Colleen no, Brooke no, Nancy yes, Neal yes, Mark yes, Jim yes.
15. Annual Meeting. Jim has contacted Randall School to have the same space as last year. Neal will handle the election, Colleen will assist him. Neal will ask Mark from Bonestroo to do a short presentation.
16. DPL 25th Anniversary Year. Jim has been in contact with WAL as they have certificates that will be presented to previous commissioners.
17. Randall Twp./Kenosha Co. issues. Judy reported that Highway P was being widened to 28 feet including shoulders to provide for bicycle riders.
18. Newsletter. Nancy was thanked for putting together the newsletter. She has been going over the address list and comparing it with a map. A list will be completed by the Annual Meeting.
19. DPL Website. Putting records in the archives should be started after the Annual Meeting. Not all the newsletters would need to be saved. These records would be beneficial when a new commissioner is elected having all the information in one place.
20. Preparation for Annual Meeting (Friday, August 6, 2010). Brooke and Judy have put together a draft budget. The budget was gone over and discussed. It was suggested leaving the levy as is and excess money to be placed in the wetland fund. Colleen Keating made a motion the tax levy be \$26,000 and place the balance in the contingency fund. Neal Kuhn seconded. Motion carried.
21. Citizen Comments. Robert Miller thanked the board for their time they put in.
22. Other. Judy Jooss made a motion to reimburse Nancy Michael for her mileage associated with water testing. Brooke Jensen seconded. Motion carried.
23. Adjournment. Nancy Michael made a motion to adjourn. Mark Halvey seconded. The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by
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