

January 7, 2000

Chairman Jim Michels called the quarterly meeting of the Powers Lake District to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Present were: Mark Pelz, Judy Jooss, Paul DeMichele, Pat Miller, Gil Kroll and Jim Michels. Dr. Jeff Thornton a planner from SWRPC attended.

Absent were: Bob Laurine

Any interested member can attend the Lakes Convention in March and the District will pick up the expenses. Gil Kroll indicated he would like to attend. Paul DeMichele moved to give Gil the authority to vote at the convention. Pat Miller seconded. Motion carried.

The treasurer reported the beginning checking balance of \$21,686.97 and the savings balance of \$38,958.35 and the ending checking balance was \$16,789.27 and savings balance was \$38,958.35.

A report on the plant survey will be ready about the end of January. The report will be discussed at the next meeting. Kathy Aron will attend the meeting to make her recommendation.

Gil and Bob are heading up the wet land grant application to purchase the property owned by the Kozies. Jeff Thornton explained the grant application procedure and stated SEWRPC will assist in writing it. The District has identified this wet land as high priority when the District was formed. The state will assist with a cost share of 75% of the value with a cap of \$200,000. The application is due on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

There needs to be a letter of retroactivity. This letter has all ready been granted to the district. A legal description of the property and a full narrative appraisal is needed. This could run anywhere from \$500 to \$2,500. If the grant is successful the appraisal will be reimbursable. The property also needs to be checked for hazardous waste. A statement from the historical society that there are no buildings on the property. The application does require a property management plan. In this case it would be used as open space use. The purchase price should not be discussed with the property owner until an appraisal is done. Letters of support from the local municipalities are helpful. The appraised value is what sets the grant amount. Any cost above or over that amount would be the responsibility of the District. The appraisal will need to be done in a timely manor in order to met the grant application due date. Fredrick Warner has been contacted and would be able to do the survey. He is well qualified with more than 40 years of experience. He will need a full legal description and a letter or statement for egress and ingress. Paul DeMichele moved to engage Fredrick Warner to be the appraiser with a stipulation that he get the report done in 8 weeks at a price of \$1,800. Judy Jooss seconded. Motion carried.

An original resident survey and cover letter done in 1990 was presented and reviewed. It should be modified to leave more space for comments, add accomplished things, how the district is doing and to include a map of the lake. Jeff Thornton will make recommendations for any

question changes at the next meeting and then it will be finalized. SEWRPC will mail the survey and do the tabulation. The survey will be mailed about the week before Memorial Day with a two week response time.

Bob Laurine is working on a news letter with a target date of May for mailing.

The Lake Management plan of November 1991 was brought up to see if it should be up dated. Jeff Thornton has looked it over and he still considers it current. Usually they have a 20 year life span.

Paul DeMichele moved the meeting be adjourned. Mark Pelz seconded. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.