

June 16, 2000

Present were: Jim Michels, Paul DeMichele, Mark Pelz, Robert Laurine, Pat Miller, Judy Jooss, and Gil Kroll arrived at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Jim Michels called the meeting of the District of Powers Lake to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Michels. Roll call was taken. Mark Pelz moved to approve the minutes. Pat Miller seconded. Motion carried.

The secretary reported on the insurance certificate for the Lake District property and the removal of the fallen tree. We should try to recover the \$300.00 tree cost from insurance.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$27,826.47 in the checking account and \$39,836.83 in the savings account. The report was approved as presented.

Jeff Thornton from SEWRPC presented a draft of the resident survey. A \$460.00 contract for printing and postage needs to be signed authorizing them to send out the survey and tabulate the results. Suggestions were made to change some of the questions. These will be incorporated before the survey is printed. The survey will be sent in early July with a return date of two weeks. A prepaid return envelope will be enclosed. A report should be ready for the Annual Meeting.

The news letter will be mailed early next week. These costs are covered by the grant we have received.

A permit has been received from the DNR to treat the milfoil problem by the boat launch. A proposal from a contractor has not yet been received. Discussion was held on whether to proceed with the treatment at this time or do it in the fall. With the high water and the current so strong it was felt that this is not the best treatment time. With a spring treatment the milfoil would absorb the chemical quickly because it is growing fast. Other plants will not have started growing and will not be effected. The later the treatment the more chemical that needs to be used and damage to other plants a possibility. Jeff Thornton was asked if SEWRPC could review the two reports from Aron and Associates and make a recommendation for a plan on controlling the weed growth now and in the future. They would need a letter requesting the review. Bob Laurine moved to direct the chairman to write a letter to SEWRPC requesting direction on controlling plant management. Judy Jooss seconded. Motion carried.

An application grant for the purchase of wetlands was submitted on time and it has met the DNR criteria for a grant. Awarded grants are for 75% of the appraised value. Grants are awarded in September. Judy Jooss moved to go into closed session pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(g) regarding possible acquisition of property. Gil Kroll seconded. Gil Kroll nae, Mark Pelz nae, Bob Laurine nae, Jim Michels nae, Paul DeMichele nae, Pat Miller nae, Judy Jooss nae.

The appraisal for the wetland property was \$61,000. The owner of the property is asking

\$118,000. Property owners can ask to have a second appraisal if they feel the original one is too low. However, the district would have to share the cost. If the appraisal came in higher the DNR would have to agree to accept the second one. The price for the wetland is not out of line since it contains the head waters and most of the watershed for Powers Lake. There are two or three possible building sites on the wetland. If a private person were to purchase the property they could request permission to fill in the wetlands in order to gain access to the building sites. It was questioned if a donation of a portion of the property for tax purposes was considered by the property owners. These figures will be put together and presented at their next meeting. The negotiation team will meet once more to work out the finances for the purchase. Two issues will need to be decided at the annual meeting. 1. To purchase the property if we get the grant. 2. To go ahead with the property purchase if the grant is not received. The Board will recommend purchasing the property at the Annual Meeting in August.

The secretary reported on the nominating and voting procedures that were drawn up by Irene Stryker, Bill Lynch and Paul DeMichele.

Last year's budget was gone over and some changes were made for the proposed budget for this year. The negotiating committee was authorized to finalize the budget after finding out the terms for the purchase of the wetland property. The budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Paul DeMichele moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.