

October 11, 2002

Chairman Jim Michels called the Board of Commissioners meeting of the District of Powers Lake to order at 5:00 p.m.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Bob Laurine, Brooke Jensen, Jim Michels, Judy Jooss, Gill Kroll and Pat Miller
Absent: Mark Pelz

Citizens comments: Irene Stryker thanked the board for doing a good job and that she appreciated it.

Brooke Jensen explained the treasurers report. The total fund balance is \$29,890.23.

The minutes of the June 14th meeting were reviewed and corrected to read unusual instead of unusually. Gill Kroll moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Judy Jooss seconded. Motion carried.

Applying for a DNR grant was brought up. Jeff Thornton of SWRPC will be a consultant on the type of grant to be applied for. There is a Small Project Grant. The forms are supposed to be easy to fill out. It would cover the water testing for a one year period. At one time there was a grant limit of \$30,000 per lake to be used for planning. Once the planning has been completed lake protection grant can be applied for. Because of the stability of the lake, it was suggested that the testing could be dropped for a year or two and then started back up again. There is also self help monitoring that would be less expensive than the USGS testing. This is done 5 times per year - ice out, late fall, June, July and August. The cost for USGS to continue testing is \$3,900. A grant would pay for 75% of it. The district would be responsible for the other 25%. It was decided to apply for the Small Project Grant and to continue testing.

Lee Kozié has a lot sale. It is across from where Jim's Boats used to be. Part of the lot is a drainage area for wet lands and he was inquiring if the Lake District would be interested in purchasing that portion. This will be researched for more information and will be brought up at the next meeting.

Aquatic plant management was discussed. The DNR was not present when the milfoil was treated on August 26th so only the areas on the map were treated. The lake has since been inspected and there are fourteen areas of milfoil around the lake that should be treated. Any areas that have been treated are not on this list. A map with these areas marked for treatment will be sent for a cost estimate.

A pier numbering system in case of an emergency was brought up and discussed. Because piers come out during the winter, numbering them would not be effective. It was suggested that the District should get a nice looking sign made and ask property owners to see if they would

volunteer to place it on their property. These signs could be placed 1,000 to 1,500 feet apart. Not every parcel will need to be numbered. Tying the number to the street address would be difficult. It was questioned if the lake could be divided up into areas and some sort of a color coding system be used. Fire department, parasitic and others should have input to get ideas on how a system could be implemented. A map showing the numbering system should be given to all emergency services.

New materials can always be used for the news letters. Zebra muscles were brought up and discussed.

Citizens Comments:

Paul DeMichele stated the lake water level is down and there needs to be a way to monitor the people who pump from the lake. The board should think about enforcing a permit process for drawing water. The DNR has stated that evaporation is so much greater than what is lost from pumping water.

Nancy Crabtree stated that the slow no wake hours on the week ends should be increased because the lake is so busy. It was questioned if the launch could be closed when the parking lot is full. Increasing the parking fees was another option. The lake is very attractive to out of state people because there is no launch fee.

A developer tried to place a pier on Lake Geneva with out any actual housing attached was intending to have a dockominium. WAL defended a law suite and they still owe \$40,000. They are requesting a donation from all the lake districts. Gil Kroll moved to donate \$300 to WAL for the dockominium fund. Bob Laurine seconded. The motion carried. Judy Jooss abstained.

The Annual Convention in Green Bay will be held on April 10th and 11th. The Southeastern Conference will be in Waukesha in February.

The next meeting is January 10th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.