# Minutes of the District of Powers Lake Quarterly Meeting, February 26, 2016

## Chairman Neal Kuhn called meeting to order at 5:00pm

#### Roll Call:

Present were Neal Kuhn, Jim Michels, Judy Jooss, Brook Jensen, Mark Halvey

### **Board Vacancies:**

Neal Kuhn made a motion to accept Dave Anstett as the 1<sup>st</sup> Commissioner position through July 2016 and Dan O'Connell as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner position through July, 2018. Judy Jooss seconded. Motion carried.

### Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve October 2, 2015 minutes with changes made by Judy Jooss, second by Dan O'Connell. Motion carried

Motion to approve October 23, 2015 minutes with changes made by Jim Michels, seconded by Judy Jooss. Motion carried

# Treasurer's Report: December 31, 2015

Actual Income to date:

December 31, 2015 \$48,495.76

Actual expenses to date:

December 31, 2015 (19,204.08)

Actual Current cash balance:

December 31, 2015 29,291.68

Motion by Jim Michels, second by Neal Kuhn to accept the 12/31/15 treasurer's report. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report February 23, 2016

Actual Income to date:

February 23, 2016 \$44,917.46

Actual expenses to date:

February 23, 2016 (8,164.05)

Current cash balance:

February 23, 2016 36,753.41

Motion by Neal Kuhn, second by Dave Anstett to accept the 2/23/16 treasurer's report. Motion carries.

Motion to authorize Brooke Jensen to pay anticipated expenses pending through April 30, 2016 by Jim Michels, second by Judy Jooss with the addition of \$125.00 for check printing. Motion carries.

## Municipalities:

### Town of Randall:

Mark Halvey announced that the Town of Randall will be giving a senior discount of \$10.00 for the annual pass on Powers Lake. This must be purchased at the Randall Town Hall. The months for the dumpster will now be April to November.

Kenosha County: Nothing

Judy Jooss reported that the Lakes Convention will be March 30 through April, 1 in Stevens Point.

## Bloomfield:

No report

Town of Randall Chairman Bob Stoll gave an update on the public hearing, primarily the creation of a pier head into Chapter 20 and was submitted for DNR review. Bob Stoll will keep DPL posted as to when this goes into effect.

#### Shoreline Protection:

Jim Michels gave a synopsis of the sand/beach conditions due to this years' winter water conditions.

# Watershed Management:

**Channel Work:** Thank you to Don Silich, Mike Partridge, Matt Danagher, and Dan O'Connell who took part in two days of dredging 10 truckloads of sediment out of the north end of Powers Lake, at mouth of channel.

Neal Kuhn asks the Board to pay \$603.93 stemming from expenses for project at the channel. Motion by Jim Michels, second by Dan O'Connell. Motion passed. Neal Kuhn to acknowledge project volunteers.

### Aquatic Plant Management:

Stantec will no longer be treating Powers Lake. They are transitioning to Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds Resource. Mark Kordus and James Scharl who are very familiar with the past treatment of Powers Lake will be working for the new company. Neal Kuhn will be reviewing a new contract with Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds for further treatment of Powers Lake.

Neal Kuhn gave a brief over view of the past weed treatment of Powers Lake. At the beginning, there were 70 acres of milfoil. At present, Powers Lake is down to 7 acres. This was accomplished on a regular treatment basis. Typically with a pre-treatment inspection followed by a treatment when the plants first start to grow. The timing is as important as how treatment is accomplished. Neal Kuhn read a note from Mark Kordus and suggested the difference he saw was the cost in option A of \$4,300 and option B with a cost of \$7,900 and the use of two different herbicides. Neal posed the question: do we want to take the year off or if we decide to treat which option do we want to choose option, A or B? With an approximate cost of

\$10,900: and that being within budget, Jim Michels supported the treatment with pre and post treatment surveys.

Jim Michels made the motion to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds for either option A or B as determined by permitting of Wisconsin DNR and to include the pre and post aquatic plant survey, second by Dan O'Connell. Motion carried.

Judy made the motion to have Neal Kuhn sign a contract to transfer our relationship from Stantec to Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds. Second by Dan O'Connell. Motion carried. Judy Joss made a motion to have Neal Kuhn sign a new contract with Wisconsin Lakes and Ponds. Dan O'Connell seconded. Motion carried.

## Water testing:

The Board anticipates that Nancy Kemp will continue with the 2016 water testing program from June to August.

#### Wetlands:

Neal Kuhn will continue to pursue opportunities to obtain additional wetlands. Jim Michels will give assistance to Neal wherever he can.

Wisconsin Lakes Convention: March 30-April 1, Stevens Point

## Other Business issues:

#### Newsletter:

Dan O'Connell volunteered to put the newsletter together.

## **DPL Website:**

Phase II: Judy Jooss would like to pursue a company in Racine to give us options on updating the website. Neal Kuhn would like to assimilate a wish list of inclusions the commissioners would suggest for the website. Dan O'Connell will put together objectives to take to the web company.

Neal Kuhn spoke with Dave Kraft from Hey and Associates on less expensive options for a monitoring devise to obtain water levels. Dave Kraft quoted a \$1,300 cost for equipment with a \$2,000 installation charge. Further discussion will follow at a later meeting.

### Meeting Schedule:

Next meeting April 15, 2016

## Citizen and /or Commissioner Comments:

Jim Michels suggested the possibility of hiring an administrator in the future.

# Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:15pm by Dan O'Connell, second by Judy Jooss. Motion carried.