

**Minutes of the Friday, June 5, 2020 Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake
Zoom Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Judy Jooss, Brooke Jensen, Dave Anstett, Neal Kuhn, Lou Manfredini and Jim Michels were present. Bob Stoll and Nancy Kemp attended.

Approval of January 10, 2020 Minutes:

There was no April meeting due to Covid-19.

Jim made a motion to approve the minutes. Lou seconded. Motion approved.

Municipalities:

Town of Randall

On behalf of the entire board, Neal expressed our sincere appreciation to Mark Halvey for his dedication, service and support of the District. He was awesome. Mark is a behind the scenes type of person who does many things for the town and the district without fanfare or recognition. We are disappointed to not have him as rep; however we sincerely appreciate his contributions and efforts over the last several years. Bob Stoll said Mark did so much for the town. He said you don't realize how much someone does until they leave. He was an really an asset to the board.

Jim Michels seconded and said Mark was the best!

We are pleased to have Bob Stoll as our town representative going forward and look forward to continuing our good relationship with the town.

Treasurer's Report

As of 6/3/2020:

\$44,751.33 = Actual income to date

\$ 9,444.13 = Actual expenses to date

\$35,267.20 = Current cash balance

\$80,214.31 = Wetland Funds

Jim made a motion to pay the first \$500.00 payment to SEWRPC. Neal seconded. Motion carried.

Jim made a motion to accept the approved expenses through August 2020, Neal seconded. Motion carried.

Neal made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, Dave seconded. Motion carried.

Watershed Management

Lake Level

A slow no wake order was in effect over the Memorial Day weekend, 5/19-5/27.

Aquatic Plant Management

5 acres were treated last week.

Dave volunteered to start the Secchi disk testing. Neal will train him.

Fish Stocking

Travis Motel is the new DNR Fisheries Biologist. He approved our fall stocking for walleye.

Dave will follow up \$1,000 funding from the Sportsman's Club since no meetings due to Covid 19.

Dave stated fishing this year has been phenomenal especially walleye which are huge and fat.

Judy mentioned there is usually a fish die off when it gets hot and still. This spawn shock is usually around the end of June.

Other Business:

Website

Neal is pleased with the job Image Management has been doing. He now needs to update the site.

Boat Ramp Cleaning Station and Signage

If any action would be taken, it would be in 2021 due to a cost of \$36,000 plus for the previously discussed equipment. This is the only company that manufactures equipment of this type. Lou was thinking about a purchase of a \$1,500 stainless steel vacuum for each launch and tools that can be tethered to vacuum. Marinas//businesses in the area could be solicited to do weekly maintenance and would receive credit on the signage. Dave said this would be far less than the dollars spent by the DPL and Town of Randall on combating invasive species in the past and would be further protection of that investment. Judy suggested Wilmot H.S. may be able to help in their environmental studies and with the graphics. Another possibility could be a maintenance agreement with Pat's Sanitary. Engaging nearby businesses is a Win Win.

There should be a fund built into the 2021 budget so DPL can act on this.

Vacuums and tools would be approximately \$5,000-\$6,000. Also, a pad and electric would be necessary.

DNR and Knolls Ramp

While Nancy Kemp was at the DNR ramp, she noticed individuals not paying ramp fees. These were lakefront property owners who either did not feel or did not know they should pay the \$8 launch fee. That fee is for 1 watercraft/1 launch or removal. That money is earmarked and can be used only for the maintenance of the launches. We should **put a reminder in the newsletter in spring and fall**. Neal mentioned it is a constant education due to new ownership. Bob Stoll mentioned the yearly passes are attached to boat trailers and are for one watercraft.

Nancy also asked if a date TBD lake treatments could be given to put on Town website.

2021 Budget Discussion

The 2020 budget was \$51,400.

Continuing education amount was reduced to \$500 from \$1,000. APM was reduced from \$7,500 to \$7,000.

Added was:

\$10,000 for a cleaning station. The current contingency fund of \$5,000 could be used for a start.

Fee paid to Mark Halvey for water testing for next year.

Neal will ck on current pricing from Hay and Associates.

Jim wants the Wetland Fund to be a capital fund and did not vote in favor of funding for that at this time. He plans to bring this item up at the Annual Meeting.

The budget mirrors the 2020 budget except for the cleaning station/Mark's fee/ and possible amount for Hay & Associates.

2021 Budget Amount = \$55,250.00

Annual Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, **August 7th, 2020 at 7 p.m.** at **Randall Fire Station #2, Hwy KD and Hwy F.**

Jim Michels is up for election this year and will be running.

Adjournment:

Neal made a motion to adjourn, Dave seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.