

**Commissioners Meeting Minutes
Pickerel – Crane Lake P&R District
May 18, 2017**

Called to Order at 5:00 PM

Roll Call

Chuck Sleeter, Kathy Kupfer, Rod Sternhagen, Mike Zelinski, Dan Vosters via phone

Old Business

- a. Introduction of new Secretary to full committee

New Business

- a. Discuss the Secretary's questions and concerns
Specific questions were provided as it relates to expectations for the upcoming spring meeting as well the annual meeting schedules. No formal schedule is documented at this time except for the spring and fall meetings. Going forward, it was agreed that 6 weeks prior to each full P&R district meeting a commissioners meeting will be scheduled to address key topics and outline the agenda. A master schedule will be developed to assure appropriate discussions occur throughout the year.
- b. Discuss the Secretary's recommendations to improve the newsletter and other duties
The newsletter is the committee's best option available to communicate key priorities and educate P&R district members on topics critical to the improvement and wellbeing of the lakes and surrounding area. After general discussions it was agreed that the Secretary will develop a framework which articulates the key themes in a more concise manner and allows for additional information that summarizes the past but yet highlights future activities.
- c. Commend the Secretary for a great job on his first news letter
- d. Discuss the Lake District Summer activities and concerns.
Kathy brought up the status of actions outlined in the Comprehensive Management Plan executed in December of 2012. It was agreed the plan will be reviewed for the successful completion of actions and to validate relevant actions were successful and being sustained.
- e. Discuss the possibility of the Town of Nashville closing the town offices in Pickerel.
The Chairman has received communication from the Town of Nashville that the south facility is being closed. Whereas there is no specific notice that the P&R district cannot use the facility, options were discussed in the event that a notice was issued. Concerns arise around the fact that the district holds committee meetings, utilizes office equipment, buys fuel for equipment and holds two district wide meetings in the facility. Chuck will have additional discussions with the Town Chairman and report back to the committee.
- f. Any comments from anyone in attendance
In alignment with the Comprehensive Management Plan, the status of actions to reduce weed growth, and pond scum was brought to the table. Since phosphorus levels is the main determining factor to weed growth, discussions persisted on whether the committee was doing enough to educate P&R members on the impacting factors that increase phosphorus levels. It was agreed that we will review and provide guidance in the next newsletter.

Nominations to come up in the fall for Chairman, Commissioner and Treasurer.

Motion to adjourn by Kathy - seconded by Rod – All in favour

Meeting Adjourned at 6:45

