

MEETING MINUTES
Pickerel/Crane P&R Lake District Commissioners' Meeting
July 15, 2019 9:00 am
Town of Nashville Community Center
1038 CTH "Q" Pickerel WI 54465

AGENDA

(1) Call to order: 9:00 am

(2) Roll Call: Chuck Sleeter, Kathy Kupfer, Dan Vosters and Margie Ebben present.

(3) Treasurer's Report and plans for budget hearing / tax levy adoption

Kathy Kupfer's Mid-Year Treasurer's Report, dated January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019, showed an opening balance of \$171,202.64 and a closing balance of 201,733.10. An examination of over/under items in the 2019 Year-to-Date Budget Report followed. Then Kathy provided a detailed yearly comparison of previous budgets.

Based on this information, the Board decided to recommend a Proposed 2020 Budget of \$36,500. The tax levy will remain unchanged at \$27,800.

(4) Approve minutes from Commissioners' April 18, 2019 meeting

Motion was made by Kathy Kupfer to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Chuck Sleeter and Dan Vosters; motion passed.

(5) Old Business

(a) Update on LMP (Lake Management Plan)

Chuck Sleeter reported on Mike Zelinski's latest email regarding the LMP, which follows:

"White Water has completed the Shoreland and Shallow water assessments and will complete the Point-Intercept Aquatic Plant Surveys by the end of July. All key action steps are on schedule. I requested feedback on any observations and Dean (Premo) was reluctant to respond since there is limited data collected to date. I did also speak to Dean about the filamentous algae problem on Crane. Again, no response based on limited data."

Chuck announced that Mike Zelinski has resigned as project leader of the LMP. The Board will need to find a new project leader to coordinate the scheduling of volunteers.

Margie Ebben will contact Dean Premo, Pres. of White Water Associates, and invite him to the Fall Meeting.

Chuck questioned if the LMP study is actually addressing the Eurasian Milfoil issue on Pickerel Lake. Kathy Kupfer stated that White Water needs to look at our earlier LMP report that first raised this issue. Chuck agreed and questioned, "How are we actually improving our lakes with this new study?" Discussion followed as to the purpose of a lake study and what it should accomplish.

(b) Mole Lake Bullhead extraction update

Chuck reported that the Mole Lake crew spent about a week on bullhead extraction. The first time out they removed about 600 bullheads, and the second time around 500 bullheads. All bullheads were small in size.

(c) Harvester update and complaint letter

The new harvester canopy has been constructed and placed on the harvester. The complaint letter questioned whether "floaters" (the weeds left behind floating in the lake after harvesting) should be picked up. Chuck responded to the letter by calling the Lake District member.

(d) Aeration issues

Chuck Sleeter advised that the new aerator blower still needs to be addressed. He will work with Jerry Hietpas on this issue.

(e) North Pickerel Lake boat landing dock update

The new dock has been lengthened and additional legs will be added in the fall. Chuck Sleeter reported that someone backed a boat trailer up the ramp and onto the dock, which broke one of the standards. The standard was repaired by welding. No one knows who caused the damage.

(f) Collection box update and boat landing information signs discussion

The collection box at the North Pickerel Lake boat landing was moved and chained to the new dock by Chuck Sleeter. The boat landing "Lake Watch" signs have been ordered by Brad Kupfer. The boat landings are owned by the Town of Nashville. Kathy Kupfer will contact the Town to request better maintenance of the boat landings.

(6) New Business

(a) Fall election discussion

Dan Vosters announced he will be resigning as a Commissioner at the Fall Meeting. Other Board members encouraged him to stay involved with the Lake District. The Chairman, Treasurer and Commissioner positions are up for election at the Fall Meeting.

(b) Work on topics for fall newsletter and responsibilities

Along with the Chairman's Letter and Treas. Reports, the topics discussed for the Fall Newsletter included:

- LMP report – possibly Dean Premo, Pres. of White Water Associates
- Article about new harvester canopy – Margie Ebben, who will contact Jim Huss for the names of the volunteers on this project
- Article summarizing Chuck's notes and handouts from a Northern Wis. Lake Group seminar that Chuck attended in July – Margie Ebben
- A note stating that the Spring Meeting Minutes will be approved at the Fall Meeting.

(c) Work on the fall meeting agenda

Chuck will prepare the agenda for the Fall Meeting based on the Board's discussions and recommendations.

The Board discussed whether the Lake District should send a donation to the Tombstone Pickerel Snow Club for the use of their tractor again. A motion was made by Kathy Kupfer to send a \$200 donation to the snowmobile club. Margie Ebben seconded it, motion passed. It will be put on the Fall Agenda.

(d) Newsletter work product timeline for Margie

Margie Ebben's timeline for the Fall Newsletter production is, as follows:

- July 22nd – articles, agenda and reports to Margie
- July 26th – Annual Meeting ad submitted to The Forest Republican
- July 29th – Newsletter to Clermont Printing Co., which will be mailed by Aug. 6th
- August 1st and 8th – Annual Meeting ads to be published in The Forest Republican

(7) Public comments: None

(8) Adjourn

Motion made by Kathy Kupfer to adjourn and seconded by Dan Vosters; motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am

Respectfully submitted,
Margie Ebben