

**LAKE REDSTONE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**February 9, 2016 Minutes**

**1. Call meeting to order, verify compliance with the Open Meeting Law.**

Meeting called to order by Jim Mercier at 6pm.

**2. Roll Call:**

Jim Mercier, Glenn Choroszy, Tom Walters, Tom Happ, Nathan Johnson, Ray Demaskie

Phone: Ken Keegstra

Others: Al Baade, Chuck Ecklund, Paul Burke, Nick Ladas, Anna Demaskie

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda by Choroszy, second by Happ. Motion carried.

**4. Approval of minutes for January 12, 2016 regular meeting**

Motion to approve January minutes by Johnson, second by Happ. Motion carried.

**5. Public Input**

**6. Treasurer's Financial Report**

**a. Approve vouchers**

Ken Keegstra/hangers for files	\$55.89
Cason Assoc., LLC/AIS survey/travel charges	\$990.00
Town of Winfield/tax exemption for parcel	<u>\$20.00</u>
Total	\$1065.89

Motion to approve current invoices by Walters, second by Demaskie. Motion carried.

**b. Review monthly financial reports**

**c. Compare 2014 vs 2015 spending**

Income is increasing in part due to new mill rate while expenses have remained steady or decreased. The past budget comparison submitted to board members through email.

**7. Chairman's Report**

Mercier talked with Fred Zietlow in regards to lowering the lake each year to help kill weeds and aquatic invasive species. He also reported on a Sauk county meeting to address broken boulder on the spillway and ways in which to test the boulder for stability. Three possible tests include: putting electrolytes in the clay surrounding the boulder, drilling holes and filling them with dye to see if it leaks out, and lowering the water five to six inches to stop water flow so the boulder could be examined. The soundness of the gate valve is tested every two years.

**8. Secretary's Report-** Nothing to report

**9. Committee Reports**

**a. Water Quality Committee: Walters**

Grant approved. Grant amount \$4500, 33% sponsor match. Committee will meet and look at past reports and projects. Will look into both Sauk and Juneau counties for additional information. They also need to start collecting data for volunteer hours. LRPD is to pay for costs and will be reimbursed at the end of the project, so all receipts will be saved.

Discussed WAL conference, possible preview in March.

**b. Dredging Committee: Chorozy/Mercier**

**1. Status of sampling activities by Ayres Associates**

Ayres will finish collecting samples on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of February. Report should be completed by the March meeting. Mercier mentioned possible grants that could be looked into to possibly pay for part of the dredging.

**c. Newsletter Committee: Happ**

**1. Review topics, writing assignments, and deadlines**

Topics: Dredging Activities and Results- Choroszy, Erosion Control with pictures- Johnson, Water Quality-Walters, Annual Meeting-Mercier, Lake Fair- Happ, Education Grant-Keegstra, Aquatic Invasive Species- Happ. Deadline: Rough Drafts, March Meeting- send to Happ, can include pictures.

**d. Aquatic Plants Committee: Keegstra**

**1. Summary of landowner survey results: Chorozy**

See survey summary sheet.

**2. Written report from Keegstra**

The report covered two topics:

- a. The AIS Education grant was approved. The total amount of the grant request was \$53,005. This approved grant will mean that the district will be pursuing many activities over the next two years. Dave Blumer will provide us with a "to do" list. The aquatic plant committee will be meeting in April to coordinate activities for 2016.
- b. Plans are underway to submit an application to the DNR to allow whole bay treatments in the spring of 2016. One question is how to we pay for the permit application. Will Cason send a check to the DNR and bill us or do we need to send a check? Assuming the application will be sent soon, Jim Mercier will need to sign the application.

**3. "To do" list from Dave Blumer**

Dave Blumer sent a spreadsheet of activities that LRPD should do under the two grants. Among the important ones is the need to operate a clean boats/clean water program, including a summer intern for 2016 plus volunteers who together will provide 400 hours of coverage. It was agreed that we would ask Dave to attend the March 2016 meeting to discuss the activities associated with both grants.

**e. Web Committee: Happ**

**1. Website contract**

Motion by Choroszy to change the website administrator from Town Web Design to wix.com, second by Johnson. Discussion included monthly cost to LRPD and the ease in which to make changes to website. Motion carried.

**f. Retention pond update: Happ**

**1. Erosion repair**

**10. La Valle Township Coordinator: Demaskie**

**a. Buoy placement and removal activities**

Would LRPD be interested in paying \$1500 each year in order to have a vendor put in and take out the buoy's instead of having the Town employees perform this task.

**11. County Coordinator: Johnson**

Section 11- no power loading. Whitemound Lake is a no wake lake, helps with weeds. County in process of looking for a new Administrative Coordinator. New county board in April after election.

**12. Agenda items for next meeting:**

PO Box key, Dredging Report, Ayres RFP, Dave Blumer, Update on Newsletter, Buoy's.

**13. Date and time of next meetings: Tuesday, March 8, 2016 @ 6 pm, La Valle Town Hall**

**14. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Happ, second by Choroszy. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7pm.

**AD 2.19.16/KK 3.3.16**