

**PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
September 3, 2005**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Paul Jenkins. Committee members present were Gail Gentz, Marilyn Pfeiffer, and Janice Steed.

This is a special meeting of the Lake District to discuss the Tax Freedom Account. At the annual meeting, a motion was made to dissolve the tax freedom account for the reason that the interest that is received on this account does not cover the cost of the interest that the Lake District pays on the loan that the Lake District owns. There is an outstanding loan on building and equipment. The rate of interest is 6.25%. The balance is \$53,827.76. There is a money market account. The rate of interest is .03%. That balance is \$18,251.70. There are two certificates of deposit. One interest rate is 2.5% and the balance is \$30,508. The other interest rate is 3.89% and the balance is \$5,096. The second certificate of deposit does not mature until 2008.

The Tax Freedom Account was established by resolution of the Lake District dated June 28, 1997. The commissioners established a long range goal for the District to get financial stability with a minimal tax contribution. A separate account was established and was to be viewed as tax freedom day monies which will not be spent by future Lake District Commissioners unless a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the participants at an annual meeting elect to use the financial resources set aside for tax freedom day. An annual deposit of \$5,000 per year is put into the tax freedom account. There is a balance of \$35,604 in the tax freedom account .

There were questions from the members about looking into getting a better interest rate. A motion was made from the floor to use the savings account to pay off as much of the loan as is fiscally responsible. The motion was seconded. There was discussion on the motion. This motion was rescinded by the maker before a vote was taken.

A new motion was made from the floor to direct the Commissioners to look at refinancing the loan that the Lake District has and get a better interest rate. This motion was seconded. There was discussion on the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

A motion was made and seconded from the floor to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried. Meeting was adjourned.