

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING  
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT  
July 5, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Pfiefer. Commissioners Ketterer and Ziesmann were also present. Approximately 20 members of the District were in attendance.

Commissioner Pfiefer read a letter from Past Chairman Jenkins whose term was expiring . Past Chairmen Jenkins had decided not to run for another term.

Commissioner Pfiefer read the minutes from the September 1, 2007 annual meeting. Motion to accept Secretary's Report was made by Terry Kloehn, seconded by Dennis Schumacher. Motion carried, Minutes were approved as read. Commissioner Ketterer read the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept Treasurer's report was made by Tom Knaus, seconded by Terry Kloehn. Motion carried, Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

There was a discussion regarding the viability of continuing the District. There was agreement that the District was making progress with the DNR and that it would be a bad idea to disband. There was then a discussion on expanding the District Board from its current five members to seven. It was noted that the District holds four quarterly meetings, one annual meeting, one budget meeting and special meetings as necessary. A motion to increase the size of the District Board to seven members was made by Dennis Schumacher. Motion was seconded by Jim Gehl. 17 members voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed. By-laws will be amended to allow seven commissioners.

Nominations were then accepted for three new commissioners, the position vacated by Past Chairman Jenkins, and two new commissioners as approved. Terry Kloehn, Dennis Schumacher and Jim Gehl were all nominated and approved by the members. Terry Kloehn agreed to serve as the new District Chairman.

The status of the Lake Management Plan was discussed. Commissioner Ketterer noted that she had met with Kevin Gauthier and Tim Asplund of the DNR in May. DNR provided the following information to Commissioner Ketterer:

DNR wanted several additional items before the Lake Management Plan could be deemed complete.

DNR indicated that Pine Lake is a large complicated lake and that multiple actions would be required to address lake issues.

DNR wants to see clear documentation of public input into planning efforts.

DNR noted there is a difference between a comprehensive management plan and a maintenance plan. DNR indicated that it was too late to chemically treat the lake this year and that such treatment can only be performed in May.

DNR questioned whether there is a milfoil problem in Pine Lake.

Commissioner Ketterer then contacted Brad Roost of Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resource and requested that Brad submit additional information to the DNR.

Commissioner Pfiefer noted that Wisconsin Lakes & Ponds had submitted 19 lake management plans this year and that 17 had been approved. The only two that

were denied were in the northeast district (which includes Pine Lake).

It was noted that Wisconsin Lakes & Ponds had taken additional aquatic samples last fall and that the DNR had most if not all of the information they were currently asking for. However, DNR indicated that they wanted all the requested information summarized in the Lake Management Plan.

Commissioner Ketterer noted that the DNR indicated that a weed cutting permit could be issued in approximately 10 days. A discussion ensued about the need for cutting and whether the District should continue to cut weeds using its own equipment or contract the service out to a third party. It was noted that the District's weed cutter only cuts to a depth of four feet, while most commercial cutters can cut to a depth of six feet. In response to a question from the floor, it was noted that the District's cutter is 13 years old and that the District pays approximately \$5,000 per year to insure the equipment. Selling the cutter was discussed. However, it was noted that the District purchased the cutter with the assistance of a grant from the DNR and that the grant may have certain restrictions on the sale of the equipment. Terry Kloehn made a motion to evaluate selling the cutter pending resolution of the grant issue. Motion carried.

Terry Kloehn made a motion to hire a contractor to cut weeds if that were deemed necessary later in the year. Motion carried.

A District newsletter was discussed. In the past, the District had determined that mailing periodic newsletters was fairly expensive. The cost of the last mailing was approximately \$1,700. Dennis Schumacher agreed to review this issue and be in charge of communication.

The 2008 budget was discussed. A member questioned whether the tax freedom account could be put against the building loan. However, because that issue was not on the agenda, the question was tabled. Karl Tauer made a motion to accept the 2008 budget. Motion carried.

Fish stocking was then discussed. Commissioner Pfiefer noted that the DNR will only stock fingerling walleye.

The commissioners agreed that the next annual meeting would be held on the Saturday closest to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Terry Kloehn made a motion adjourn. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.