

MINUTES QUARTERLY MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
November 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn. Commissioners Schumacher, Sprenger, and Ziesmann and were present.

Commissioner Ziesmann read the minutes from the September 7, 2009 quarterly meeting. Commissioner Schumacher made a few minor comments on the minutes and then made a motion to accept. Commissioner Sprenger seconded, all in favor, minutes were accepted as read and modified.

Commissioner Sprenger gave the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Ziesmann made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Commissioner Schumacher seconded, all in favor, Treasurer's Report was accepted as read.

Old Business: Chairman Kloehn questioned whether anyone was aware of interest in the old weed cutting equipment. Commissioner Schumacher indicated that there were some local people interested but he wasn't sure whether the District would sell the equipment separately or as a package. Chairman Kloehn thought the equipment would sell better as a unit. He has not heard back from the party that had previously expressed interest.

Commissioner Sprenger asked if the District would need solicit bids for the equipment. Chairman Kloehn indicated that bids would be required and the sale would need to be posted in local newspapers. The District has not yet determined a value for the equipment. A District member thought that the truck may be worth \$500-\$1500 on trade and \$3000 if sold outright. Commissioner Schumacher indicated all equipment is operational and in good working order.

Boat Launch Repair: Chairman Kloehn indicated that the boat launch repair had been completed. Commissioner Schumacher noted that the concrete planks were cracked but that should not affect the launch because of the amount of rebar in the planks. Commissioner Sprenger noted that the amount for the boat landing shown in the Treasurer's report is in error. The correct amount should be \$5500 not \$9000.

Lake Management Plan: Chairman Kloehn indicated he submitted the application to the DNR for the last grant request yesterday. Total grant is for \$5700 and the District should be receiving a check for 75% of the grant, \$3206.25 in the next month or so and the funds will be deposited in the District's account.

Chairman Kloehn indicated that the District's new lake survey would be sent out early next year after review and approval by the District and the DNR.

Commissioner Schumacher indicated that the District had received approximately \$20,000 in grant funding this year and that the DNR performed its own lake study in July which saved the District approximately \$5000.

Chairman Kloehn presented a brief summary of the October Lake Management kick-off meeting. At the meeting Onterra provided a summary of goals and lake studies. Commissioner Schumacher noted that the Eurasian milfoil was not widespread throughout the Lake, but scattered in multiple locations. Chairman Kloehn noted that the milfoil was a hybrid. Grant money will be used to fund the lake studies with a 75% cash payment from DNR and the remaining 25% provided through volunteer credits from the District. Chairman Kloehn noted that the more volunteer efforts District members put in, the less money the District will need to spend on the lake studies.

Dam: Chairman Kloehn suggested that the District may want to consider security cameras to prevent tampering with the dam. Prices for cameras range from about \$1000 up to \$7000-\$8000. It was also suggested that a deer cam could be used. However, there was a concern that any camera could get vandalized. Chairman Kloehn had discussed the repair of the dam with Commissioner Pfeiffer but noted that the Town's repair only consisted of replacement of a 2x4 board. It was noted that the dam is currently open and water is not running over the west side but is running over by at least an inch on the east side. Chairman Kloehn indicated he would discuss the issue with the Town.

It was noted that the Town has a budget item of \$5000 to repair the dam, but it unclear what the Town intends to do with that budget. It was also noted that the lake level was set by order in 1930 and there had been at least two attempts to raise the level, both of which were denied. Elevation markings on the dam are gone and one of the DNR markers is a mile and a half away. The District could consider a survey to determine elevation. Chairman Kloehn suggested that the Town may need to consider replacement of the dam. In response to a question from the floor, Chairman Kloehn indicated that District taxes go into a separate District account. It was noted that the dam is on ceded territory and that there are several Indian tribes on the Wolf River.

A member inquired about cleaning the creek. Chairman Kloehn indicated that Onterra suggested that the District address the Lake first. Commissioner Schumacher also noted that the creek is not included in the Lake District.

FCAL Dues. Commissioner Schumacher is a member of the Forest County Association of Lakes and has been participating in FCAL meetings as a representative of the District. Commissioner

Sprenger made a motion to pay annual FCAL dues, annual dinner and \$15 per diem for any Board member attending an FCAL event. Commissioner Ziesmann seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Schumacher noted that Windfall Lake had used a consultant to harvest weeds this last summer.

In response to a question from the floor, Commissioner Schumacher noted that District taxes are based on assessed value. Chairman Kloehn suggested that the District may want to revisit the District boundaries at some point in time. A District member noted that members that do not live on the lake are required to pay a fee to launch their boats. It was unclear whether a fee is required at the federal boat landing if just launching a boat.

Commissioner Schumacher indicated that the District did not use the harvesting permit for 2009, so he will try to get back the \$300 fee. He also questioned whether the District wanted to obtain a permit for 2010. Chairman Kloehn indicated that the District should obtain a permit and Commissioner Schumacher indicated he would submit the application.

The Board discussed the schedule for meetings in 2010. It was suggested that quarterly meetings be held the same weekend each year.

Commissioner Schumacher noted that Commissioner Gehl is working on an email list. Commissioner Gehl was also working on putting the audio tape from the Onterra meeting on the District's website.

Chairman Kloehn noted that the legislature passed a law making it illegal to transport any aquatic species, invasive or native.

There being no further business, Commissioner Schumacher made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sprenger seconded. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Steve Ziesmann