

## WHITEWATER/RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MAY 14, 2009

The regular board meeting of the Whitewater/Rice Lake Management District was called to order at 6 PM by appointed chairman Brian Morris

**Present:** Brian Morris, Don Wickerscheimer, Jim Felland, Bill Watts, County Representative, Jerry Grant, and Town Representative, Norm Pruesner

**Absent:** Rich Charts

**Guests:** Rob Krohlow with Horton Insurance, Dave Cleven, Art Speerbrecher, Jeff Widner, Bob Grant

**Administrative:** Jerry motioned to approve the minutes as presented from the April 9, 2009 meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Rich is needing help in organizing his boxes of paperwork. The board approved his request with Susie's willingness to help.

**Financial:** In the absence of Rich, Don presented the April expenses totaling \$12,534.41 Brian motioned to approve the expenses as presented. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried

**Chemical:** Bill reported a survey was done on Monday May 11, 2009 and the south end was sprayed on Tuesday May 12, 2009. Pond weed and curly leaf was treated. A question if a down payment in the amount of \$15,000 was paid to Lakes and Ponds. Brian motioned if a check has not been issued for this Rich should cut a check to them. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Equipment:** Jim reported the motor for the transport has arrived and has been installed. Art reported the black truck is still in need of a brake job and suggested that be done and hold off on a purchase of a pre-owned truck for another year. Brian suggested we continue looking for another truck as Jeff knows of a 2008 Dodge for sale. He asked Jim, Art, and Jeff to look into this. Jim suggested taking the vehicle to Zingg to have an inspection done and ask for an estimate on what the value is.

**Dam Issue:** Brian has been in touch with Shane and asked if Walworth County who is the present owner of the dam has a disaster plan in place and if not when will they have one. Rob Krohlow from Horton Insurance said there are very few disaster plans on file. He asked what the dam hazard rating was? The knowledge the board has is that the most recent inspection report was unsatisfactory. Rob went on to say that when a bid is accepted and the dam repaired the DNR will need to re-inspect and suggested we ask the county to help push for another inspection. After a satisfactory rating the dam can be added to our policy. Lake residents would have to approve taking over ownership at an annual meeting.

**RFP Proposal:** J & T Marina has been awarded the Weed Harvesting Contract with the contract date being effective January 2009 - May 13, 2010. Bill motioned the date of contract be as mentioned. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Brian motioned as there we no other bidders the contract we awarded to J & T Marina at a wage of \$16.00 per hour. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried. As in previous years a \$10,000 advance will be issued to Jeff. Don will purchase 5 park stickers for the crew. Art mentioned a municipal plate was missing off the red truck. The board asked Art if he would look into getting a replacement plate. Brain made a motion Art is paid \$15.00 per hour for special projects, such as looking into replacement plates, pre owned vehicles, etc. Don seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**Newsletter:** Brian asked all chairman have an article written up by the next meeting for approval, printing, and mailing in June.

**By-Laws:** Bill reported at the present time our By-Laws say we cannot own the dam. We do need to have 6 candidates on the ballot at the annual meeting. Board members will need to be voted in. Other voting issues will also take place and will be mentioned in the newsletter. Brain is going to invite the Richmond Town Attorney to our June meeting.

**Goose Egg Oiling:** Dave reported 432 eggs in 67 nests were destroyed on Whitewater Lake and 70 eggs in 14 nests on Rice Lake. Geese roundup will happen June 15th - July 15th and volunteers are needed to help in the capture.

Brian motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted  
Susan Speerbrecher  
Clerk