

## WHITEWATER / RICE LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

October 2, 2008

The regular board meeting of the Whitewater / Rice Lake Management District was called to order at 6:00 PM by appointed chairman Brian Morris. Roll call was announced and documented as follows:

**Present:** Brian Morris, Don Wickerscheimer, Bill Watts, Rich Charts, Jim Felland and county representative, Jerry Grant

**Absent:** Town representative, Norm Pruesner

**Guests:** The Horton Group, Inc. representative Michelle Strauss, Art Speerbrecher, Jeff Widner, Claudia Holst,

**Clerk present:** Susie Speerbrecher

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Rich moved the minutes from the September 11, 2008 board meeting be approved as presented. Brian seconded the motion. Motion Carried Brian asked that the minutes be posted to the web site after they have been approved by the board.

Michelle Strauss a representative from our insurance company, The Horton Group Inc., gave each board member a copy of our insurance policy and reviewed our coverage. Jim and Jeff will be looking over the equipment for vin and serial numbers and get the missing information to Michelle. Brian will follow up with Gordon to locate the titles for trucks and equipment. Rich will be handling any and all insurance issues.

### HARVESTING

Don reported he is preparing the annual report that needs to be submitted to the DNR / Brook Robinson by the end of October. He estimated the harvesting expenses this year to be approximately \$24,996.

### EQUIPMENT

There was discussion to purchase a new Evinrude 90 horse motor for the transport. Brian asked the board to consider to have all equipment gone over at the end of the year making repairs as necessary and to have Aquaris go over the floating equipment in spring prior to harvest start up. Brian then made a two part motion A – Take the black truck and trailer to Pete's Tire to have them check over all wheels and repair what is needed B – In spring have a technician from Aquaris go over all floating equipment. Rich seconded both part A and B . Motion carried. Taking this preventive action will alleviate breakdowns after start up.

### BOG

Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 will be the last day for bog removal. Approximately 400 loads have been removed. The operation basically ran smoothly. Discussion regarding the dam issue followed. Brian and Bill will head up a committee. They will gather information from people knowledgeable about dams and give lake residents a background of their research prior to the annual meeting. Brian gave a recommendation that we invite our attorney Mark Ohm and the Richmond

Township attorney Terry Race to a meeting in spring so we can become acquainted with one another.

### **FINANCE**

Rich asked Jeff Widner / J & T Marina that the \$10,000 advance given him for start up be reconciled by November 1<sup>st</sup> 2008. Rich motioned the board pre approve normal and usual bills that are expected to have been received prior to the end of the year and give authorization for any two board members to write a check to pay those bills. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion carried. Total bills for August and September amounted to \$10,022.47. Jim moved to approve these bills to be paid. Don seconded the motion. Motion carried. Rich stated a balance sheet will be forth coming. Brian reiterated vendors need to send their invoices to our P.O. Box 301 and not to individual board members.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Claudia Holst commented that one of our trucks / trailer is traveling to fast on East Lakeshore Drive and asked they slow down.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Over the winter months Bill will look and work through the by laws recommending changes that should be made and prepare for discussion and vote at the annual meeting.

Brian commented the cost for joining the Chamber of Commerce would be \$110 and we could link our website to theirs. A bio of Whitewater Lake and boating regulations would be advantageous to newcomers in the area.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No meeting in November.

Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim seconded the motion. Motion Carried  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

**NEXT MEETING: December 11, 2008**

Respectfully submitted

Susan Speerbrecher  
Clerk

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