

SCHOOL SECTION LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, June 21, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank Arndorfer, John Manthe, Tom Casper, and Donald Solberg

LAKE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerry Smukowski

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Frank called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – John motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Tom seconded. Motion approved.
3. **TREASURERS REPORT** –The treasurer’s report was read and approved. Don moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Tom seconded it and the motion carried. A copy of the treasurer’s report will be posted on the district web site.
4. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **Update on potential acquisition of disposal site land and Lake Improvement grant.** Don provided information from his discussions with Jim Ritchie and Chrissy Kozik from the DNR. According to Ritchie, the Stewardship grant funds cannot be used for a lake weed disposal site. Ritchie advised that we may qualify for a Lake Improvement grant. This grant can be for up to 200K, with a 25% local match. Don had been in touch with Chrissy Kozik, who is the coordinator for this grant. She has been in touch with Heidi Bunk from the DNR and they tentatively feel that this land acquisition would qualify. The next step is for Kozik and Bunk to tour the land. They will get back in touch with us to schedule that tour. The next grant application submission date is in February 2017, and assuming the grant is approved, the funds would be available in March 2017. According to both Kozik and Ritchie, we can start the appraisal process at any time. If for some reason we had to move on the land before the grant is approved, we can get a Waiver of Retroactivity from the DNR. Don notified Phil Vander Male that his proposal for doing the appraisal had been accepted and he is going to start that process next week. Jerry Smukowski was present at the meeting and he is okay with the proposed time frame for the potential acquisition. The grant would first have to be approved and the local match funds approved at the Annual Lake District meeting.
 - b. **Update on sign at County boat landing.** The County installed the new sign today and we have posted the Town of Ottawa boating ordinance, the agenda for today’s Board meeting, and a notice of the upcoming picnic. John is going to go look at the sign and start work on the other sign for the Elsa Ave. access. We would like to have this installed in time for the Lake District picnic.
 - c. **Update of the weed harvester and weed cutting progress.** Don provided this update. He had met with Dan Poppy. Dan advised that the harvester is running better but is still under powered. He had a vendor inspect the harvester and it is felt that we are only producing about 18 HP instead of the rated 30 HP. They recommended that we increase the size of the hydraulic oil reservoir and raise it up for better cooling. We discussed including funding for a new diesel engine in next year’s budget. Dan is going to get some information from Inland on what the costs would be to “rehab” our harvester. There is supposed to be DNR grant funding available for that purpose.
 - d. **Eco Waterway Services.** Don was not able to coordinate a date/time to have them come to the lake for an inspection tour. Frank is going to follow up with them while Don is travelling.
 - e. **Picnic Discussion.** Don provided the cost for renting a Porta Potty for the picnic. NumberOne rentals quoted \$160. Don made a motion to approve the funding for the rental of a Porta Potty for the Picnic at a cost of \$160. John seconded the motion and it was approved.
 - f. **Newsletter.** Don wrote a newsletter and provided copies to the Board. The newsletter will be given to Accurate Graphics for printing and mailing.

5. NEW BUSINESS - None

6. Town and County Report.

- a. **TOWN REPORT.** Tom asked our new County Supervisor, Chuck Wood to become part of this Board, replacing Pam Meyers. We have not gotten official notification yet from the County. Don asked Tom to have the Town's Boating ordinance updated. Section 20.04 of the ordinance was added when we were doing the lake dredging and it no longer applies.
- b. **County Report.** None

7. Public Comments

- 8. ADJOURNMENT** - Frank motioned to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. Motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY DON SOLBERG, SECRETARY, (262-965-3545)