

CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – February 25, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 P.M. on Monday February 25, 2013 at the Star Prairie Community Center.

Members present: Stuart Nelson, Dan Davison, Neil Johnson, Brad Johnson, Don Demulling, Warren Wood and Eric Wojchik (Polk County Conservation Planner). Nelson chaired the meeting in the absence of Dennis Early.

The agenda was presented by Nelson. Wood moved to accept the agenda, Demulling seconded, motion carried.

The January 2013 meeting minutes were presented by Davison. Motion to approve by Neil Johnson, seconded by Demulling, motion carried.

The Treasurers report was given by Nelson. Current bank account balances total \$87,325.90. Motion by Wood to approve the Treasurers report, seconded by Davison, motion carried.

Lake Plan Discussion.

- Nelson presented for discussion the lake resident questionnaire that Cheryl Clemens from Harmony Environmental had drafted. The questionnaires should be mailed out within the next 2 weeks. The questionnaire results will be discussed at the association's annual meeting in August.

- Nelson reviewed the existing lake study grant and the need for re-scoping the existing grant to include Lake Management Plan items. Nelson is working on this with the DNR representative.

Horse Creek Watershed Assessment Project Update

Eric Wojchik (Polk County Conservation Planner) updated the Board on the Horse Creek Watershed Project. The participation level from agricultural producers has generally been good. Data is still be gathered and analyzed. Approximately half of the total watershed acres will be included in the study.

Soil Tests.

Nelson and Wojchik discussed the proposed soil testing, which landowners will be given the chance to participate in at no cost to the landowner. Landowners will be contacted regarding this opportunity through the newsletter and once completed will be given the test results for their own property. Individual results will be confidential. From the information the landowner receives, if they wish they can adjust the chemical makeup of their property soil to ensure a healthy soil base. Information will be provided to the landowners in the next newsletter.

Amended Professional Services Contract.

At the January meeting, the Board had approved a professional services contract with Cheryl Clemens of Harmony Environmental with a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Her duties have now expanded and a new contract was requested. A motion was made by Wood, seconded by Brad Johnson to enter into the new contract with the cost not to exceed \$13,000, with the existing and newly requested DNR grants to pay for the majority of this cost. Motion carried.

Website

Discussion tabled until a future meeting.

Other.

· At the January meeting the Board had approved the application for a DNR grant in which the association would have to cover 25% of the related expenses. The DNR had changed this requirement and now requires the association to cover 33% of the expenses. A motion to approve this change was made by Wood, seconded by Demulling. Motion carried.

· Eric Wojchik mentioned that as a result of the Horse Creek Watershed Assessment project, a farmer led watershed council was being formed to help ensure best practices are encouraged among the watershed producers. This would be the first group of its kind in this area and has come about directly because of the watershed study being done for the lake.

The next meeting will be held on Monday March 25th 2013 at 5:30 at the Star Prairie Community Center.

Motion to adjourn by Neil Johnson, seconded by Demulling, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary