

# CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – October 28, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on Monday October 28, 2013 at the Star Prairie Community Center by Chair Brad Johnson.

Members present: Dan Early, Joe Demulling, Dan Davison, Don Demulling and Warren Wood. Also present was Eric Wjochik from Polk County Department of Land and Water.

The agenda was presented by Johnson. There were no agenda changes. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Wood, seconded by Don Demulling. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Minutes of the September 23, 2013 and October 9, 2013 meetings were presented. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Early, seconded by Don Demulling. Motion carried.

The Treasurers Reports was presented by Brad Johnson. It shows a balance of \$16,540.26 in the checking account and \$66,742.31 in the savings account. Motion to approve the Treasurers Report made by Wood, seconded by Davison. Motion carried.

## Old Business

1. Summary of Shoreland testing. Eric Wjochik presented the results of the Horse Creek Watershed Soil Fertility and Phosphorus Index Assessment. This report included soil testing of 39 properties around Cedar Lake. In general, the tests of the Cedar Lake properties showed relatively high phosphorus levels, but given the geography of the area, this was not unexpected. Wjochik explained however that because the soils are high on phosphorus, it's important to control these levels as well as undertake practices that prevent runoff into the lake. He stated that one of the best ways to control the levels in the soil is to bag grass clippings rather than leave them on the lawn. They can then be composted in an area away from the lake. To prevent runoff of phosphorus from the soil into the lake, residents should have shoreline buffer areas. Also, grass clippings and leaves should not be blown into the lake.

Wjochik also discussed various patches of Japanese Knotweed found around the lake. Owners of the affected lands have been notified and he will treat those areas as allowed.

2. Johnson informed the Board that we will not be applying for the roughly \$40,000 "Lake Plan Implementation Grant – 2013" as funds have already been fully allotted by the DNR. This is not a grant that would help fund the alum treatment.
3. Lake Management Plan Detailed Work Goals and Assignments. This will be an agenda item for the November 12<sup>th</sup> special meeting. In general, it was felt that plan items may have to be prioritized due to cost and personnel.

## New Business

1. Johnson reported that he has contacted Kent Rebeck about filling out the remaining time of Stuart Nelson's 3 year term on the Board and that Rebeck would be interested in the position.
2. Johnson opened discussion of electing a Treasurer to replace Nelson. After much discussion, a motion was made by Joe Demulling, seconded by Don Demulling to elect Dan Early to the position of Treasurer. Motion carried.
3. A motion was made by Wood, seconded by Don Demulling that all 3 officers have check writing powers on our bank accounts, with one signature required per check. Motion carried.
4. Buzz Sorge of the DNR had replied to Don Demulling's e-mail regarding removal of the aerator piping and compressor. Another lake district is interested in the aerator and we have supplied them with information. Sorge also stated that he is hopeful that the piping may be removed this Fall.
5. Newsletter – we will discuss potential newsletter items with Cheryl Clemens at the next meeting.

## Future meeting dates:

Special Lake Plan meeting November 12, 2013 at 5:30

Regular Meeting (date change because of Thanksgiving) November 19, 2013 at 5:30.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Demulling, seconded by Wood, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary