

## CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes – April 24, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. on April 24th, 2018 at the Town of Alden Town Hall by Chair Don Demulling

Members present: Don Demulling, Dan Davison, Dan Early, Ted Johnson, Jim Reckinger and Warren Wood. Joe Demulling was absent. Also present was consultant Cheryl Clemens.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Wood seconded by Reckinger. Motion carried.

· Public Comments: None

· Treasurer's Report. Reckinger gave the treasurer's report for year to date 2018. The report showed a total balance on hand of \$263,091.16 with \$32,485.02 of that being in the non-lapsable fund. Net available funds are \$230,606.14. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Davison, seconded by Johnson, Motion carried.

· Alum Treatment. Clemens informed the Board that our grant application for \$200,000 for the next alum treatment has been approved. It is a "reimbursable" grant so the work must be done and paid for prior to the grant being disbursed. The Board discussed what effect this will have on the timing of the next treatment. It was generally felt that we may wish to have the next treatment in 2019 rather than the scheduled 2020 and possible at a slightly higher dose in order to get to a 50% coverage rate. Early suggested getting a postcard out to lake residents informing them of the grant award and possible positive change in the application schedule. Motion to have Early draft the postcard and send to residents made by Reckinger, seconded by Davison. Motion carried. Clemens noted that Long Lake near Centuria has approved an alum treatment and others in the area are considering it.

· Healthy Lake Grant. Clemens reported that we had 9 participants in this grant request and we had been awarded \$9,652.42 which will be used by lake residents doing approved lakeshore plantings on their properties.

· Eurasian Water Milfoil Volunteer Report. Reckinger reported that he had met with Steve Schieffer who has done milfoil removal for us in the past. Steve gave some suggestions on how to make the most of the volunteer's time and efforts. Reckinger said there are 5-6 volunteers and would like to add enough to have 8-10. Reckinger said Schieffer recommended the use of AquaView Fieldmaster equipment for checking for milfoil. Reckinger said he would be spending roughly \$300 on the purchase of 4 of these units and some other required equipment. This will come from the \$2,000 AIS control budget which was previously approved. The Board approved by consensus.

Clemens asked for suggestions for content for the next newsletter. Among the items suggested were:

- a. There is still a potential for algae blooms as we only applied 20% of the recommended alum dose.
- b. The possibility of changing the timing of the next treatment and the need for a short-term loan because of the fact that the grant is reimbursable, similar to the last grant.
- c. AIS Volunteer monitoring.
- d. Clean Boats – Clean Waters.
- e. Fisheries information from DNR report.

- f. Shoreline Plantings.
- g. Shelter on the north end.
- h. Mailing will be around July 15<sup>th</sup>.

· Clean Boats – Clean Waters. Early stated they have 3 paid people set for the upcoming season and are looking for more. He stated that a lake resident is interested in taking on more of the administrative duties supervising the staff and compiling required reports, etc. He is anticipating paying this person roughly \$12 per hour for 2-3 hours per week during the season and paying the monitors \$10 per hour for the upcoming season. The Board agreed by consensus. This was a previously approved budget item.

· Insurance. Wood reviewed current insurance coverage with the Board. He suggested several changes regarding coverage no longer needed. He and Reckinger will contact the current agent and get clarification on required coverages and limits. The Board authorized them to make changes as needed after discussion with the agent. They will report back at the next meeting.

· Parcel Detachment. Davison is to contact Ron Siler and have Siler draft a new legal description for the parcels contained in the district. This will then be recoded with the county.

#### Board Member Reports:

Demulling stated that the people who had been installing and removing the lake buoys each year for several years are no longer interested in doing this. He has contacted Emmett Meister and he has agreed to provide people to do this for an annual cost of \$800. Demulling also stated the boards will go in the dam right after ice-out on the lake. It will take 10 to 14 days on average to get the lake to its normal level, however this is dependent on precipitation during this time.

Johnson reported that there will be a new firehall built near Church Rd. and Dump Rd. for the Dresser-Osceola-Garfield (DOG) fire association. He also stated that 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. will be widened this summer.

It was noted that the annual meeting will be held on August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Star Prairie Town Hall at 9:00 AM

Agenda items for the next meeting will be: alum treatment, newsletter content, CBCW, Insurance, parcel detachment, dam/buoy report, annual meeting agenda, board member reports.

The next meeting will be Tuesday May 22, 2018 at 5:30 PM at the Alden Town Hall. Motion to adjourn by Reckinger, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Dan Davison, Secretary