

**Minutes of the January 12, 2018 Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake
Randall Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Jim Michels, Judy Jooss, Dave Anstett, Brooke Jensen, Mark Halvey, Dan O'Connell, and Neal Kuhn were present.

Approval of Minutes:

Jim made a motion to approve the October 20, 2017 minutes. Mark seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Kenosha County

Judy reported that Kenosha County finally finished the Lake & Stream Classification Report. The report contains information about shorelines that are in the County but not incorporated. The County was hoping to use this study in developing new shoreline zoning ordinances. Before it could be finished, the state took away the ability of the County to protect its shoreline more strictly than the State guidelines.

Town of Randall

Mark reported that Matt Gronke is stepping down as Randall Fire Chief. Ken Foszcz, current Battalion Chief, will be taking the position. Essentially, Matt and Ken have exchanged positions.

Watershed Management

Fish Stocking Update:

Dave will continue to work with Luke Roffler of the DNR for next year. The President of the Sportsman's Club has shown interest in participating with the DPL in future stocking. Dave will contact him also.

Wetlands:

The assessment which was done showed a small area {approximately ½ acre} on the NE side away from the residence which is not wetland. Therefore, the wetland area is less than the original 4 acres it was thought to be. The fair market value was \$35,000 in the market analysis. This was forwarded on to the owner and the process continues.

Historical water level correlation:

Neal has received a proposal from Hey & Associates regarding which he will forward to the board and can be discussed at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

\$59,928.88 = Actual income to date

\$38,473.19 = Actual expenses to date

\$21,455.69 = Current cash balance

The final balance is slightly less than anticipated when the budget was done. Difference was due to fish stocking, assessments and the gauge. We are still under budget.

Judy is going to set up a separate journal for the wetland fund to cover any expenses related to that process. That can be transferred at the end of the year rather than in multiple small transfers. The \$7,000 budgeted for the wetland will be deposited after half of the tax levy arrives. Through March there are usually not a lot of checks written.

Jim made a motion to grant approval to pay for expected expenses through March, usually secretarial and website related. Neal seconded. Motion carried.

Jim made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Newsletter:

Jim complimented the newsletter and suggested to be on the lookout for informational booklets that could be mailed.

Jefferson Island Channel:

Dan has reviewed the research he obtained and spoke to Mary Knipper about any public funds/grants that might be available. She is coming out to meet Dan on Monday, January 15th. Dan also contacted Dave Kraft at Hey and Associates. Dave Anstett also was thinking that maybe increased flow created from artificial current might improve the appearance of the channel. Artificial oxygenation may clear the green “mucky” layer. Permitting might be needed. This might result in habitat enhancement and a natural spawning site. Judy also suggested contacting Tom Slawski at SEWRPC.

Website:

Issues that may be included would be instruction on how to update communications, annual traffic report and a yearly visit from Chad Arents to update board.

Convention:

WI Lakes Association Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Stevens Point, WI April 18-20, 2018.

Citizen and/or Commissioner Comments

Carol Lieske said that she learned something new at the meeting. She always thought that the channel was natural. Ed Lieske commented that there was beaver activity to include scrub trees and a clump birch at a neighbor's. Their property is out on the point near Melcher's. Judy said that wire needs to be put around any trees you want to protect.

Next Quarterly Meeting:

There will be a tentatively scheduled 5 p.m. meeting on Friday, April 6th, 2018 at the Randall Town Hall.

Adjournment: Dave made a motion to adjourn, Mark seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.