

## **Minutes of the Friday, June 15, 2018 Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake Randall Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call:**

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

### **Approval of April 6, 2018 Minutes:**

Mark made a motion to approve the amended minutes as discussed, Dan seconded. Motion approved.

### **Town of Randall:**

Mark has taken 2 samples for ecoli testing and both passed. He then submits results to westofthei.com.

There are 8 returning water patrol officers and 3 new hires that were all sworn in.

Bob Stoll attended and addressed the confusion over tickets issued for making a wake after sundown over Memorial Day weekend. The town relies on DNR data which was not updated. The town is looking into using another standard. Bob Stoll indicated that the training sessions for officers stress methodology and practice for interaction with the public. Enjoyment of the lake combined with water safety is the goal. Officers are told to treat boaters as customers of the Town to be treated with respect. Procedure is that a safety violation will be given a warning. The interaction with the officers often determines the basis on which the ticket is written. Belligerence and rudeness is the quickest way to raise the amount of violations charged. Thresholds of tickets needed written for DNR reimbursement are very easy to meet so no need to write more tickets to reach it.

### **Kenosha County:**

Judy indicated there would be a meeting of the Land and Water Commission scheduled for sometime in June. At that meeting, Mark Halvey will be appointed as the Kenosha County rep for the Lake Benedict/Lake Tombeau Lake Association.

### **Watershed Management**

#### **Channel maintenance and restoration:**

Dan feels the discussion can be broken down into 4 areas that have been under discussion.

Environmental issues are not a concern short term as to the condition of the channel.

Navigational issue is the blockage of the channel on the North end.

Maintenance issues include 3 trouble spots: the berm on the North end, gravel runoff under the culvert raising the floor and overall depth.

Restoration issue includes talks with Mary Knipper and it appears the cost would be beyond the capability of the DPL budget.

Dan will continue research to look for a plan to deal with the maintenance issues. The North end might be able to be opened with a pump system. The culvert gravel buildup could be manually removed in the fall with volunteers and shovels. As to depth, Lake and Ponds Solutions has sludge pellets with probiotics which could consume sludge. Dan will look into cost and feasibility. The board can send questions to Dan after looking over the information he sent them and he will pass the questions on.

#### **Historical Water Level Correlation:**

Monitoring device is stalled on Neal's pier and current levels are at a normal level for this time of the year. Proposal is for \$1,250/year and it is budgeted for 2019. This includes the install, calibration and 3 graphs throughout the summer. Judy made a motion to accept the proposal for Hey and Associates and Dan seconded. Motion passed.

#### **Aquatic Plant Management:**

Treatment was completed last Thursday in 3 areas. These would be the Eastern shore, Jefferson Bay and the Knolls Launch.

#### **Water Testing:**

Randall has done the treatment for the geese at the Knolls Beach.

**Wetlands:**

Neal suggested forming a committee of 3 who can work independently between meetings doing only what the board has approved. The committee would act as a research and exploratory committee. Neal made a motion to form a wetlands committee comprised of Neal, Dan and Dave. Judy seconded. Motion passed.

**Fish Stocking:**

Dave attended the Sportsmen's Club meeting last month. They graciously voted to spend \$1,000 to add the DPL fish stocking budget of \$5,000. Dave has been in contact with Luke Roffler of the DNR and Keystone Hatcheries. Luke's recommendation is to stock one species per year since that has proven to be the most successful method to enhance the fishing experience, safety in numbers. We stocked northern pike last year so Luke has approved a stocking this fall of 3,600 7" walleye. Dave will place the order with Keystone.

**Treasurer's Report:**

\$50,043.31 = Actual income to date

\$17,663.88 = Actual expenses to date

\$32,379.43 = Current cash balance

Neal made a motion to accept the approved expenses through October, Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Neal made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, Jim seconded. Motion carried.

**Other Business:****Website:**

Thanks to Dan for updating the website and setting up the drop box. Costs should remain roughly the same as last year.

**Annual Meeting:**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 3, 2018 at the Randall Town Hall at 7 p.m.

**Budget Planning:**

\$50,650.00 = 2019 Budget

\$36,250.00 = 2019 Levy

\$14,397.00 = Carryover from 2018

Judy made the motion to approve the proposed 2019 budget as amended. Neal seconded. Motion passed.

**Adjournment:** Neal made a motion to adjourn, Jim seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.