

## **Minutes of the March 10, 2017 Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake]]]] Randall Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call:**

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

Jim Michels requested to move the order of business to introduce a guest. Judy seconded. Motion carried.

Jim introduced Brian Valleskey, a Senior Water Resources Specialist with Manhard Engineering. Brian and Jim have done business in the past. They met today at the Fox River Summit in Burlington. Brian does hydrology work for lakes in Walworth and other counties in IL and WI and is familiar with the grant cycle. He was here to offer himself as a sounding board and resource for any projects the DPL may have in the future. He will keep us informed as to grant opportunities also.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

October 28, 2016 – Judy Jooss made a motion to approve, Dan O'Connell seconded. Motion approved.

### **Guest speaker: Karen Reddin, Adopt a Lake Program**

Karen was also joined by Sue Herman who took over the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade program for Karen. Karen has been running this program for 12 years. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade has 9 days of classroom instruction to prepare for the day at the lake. The Program encourages conservation and preservation of our lakes. This year, 67 third graders and 18 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, freshmen and adult helpers participated. Students then take classroom knowledge and apply at the 8 stations set up at Lake Park. A catch and release program has doubled in size and time spent and is a favorite. Grandparents and parents who know how to fish have helped so students can have one on one instruction. For most, this is the first time they have ever fished. Karen also brought the board copies of the field study description, the program packet and photos of the event. Karen and Sue gave an informative and entertaining description of their day at the lake. The trailer acts as a training classroom for the student helpers. This year's date is to be determines and she will notify us so that anyone that is interested can stop by.

At Randall School, when they ask graduating 8<sup>th</sup> graders what were the highlights of your time here, almost every student mentions this program. She thanked the DPL for their contributions which have made this program possible and the Town of Randall which provides inside storage for the trailer.

### **Town of Randall:**

Mark Halvey reported the piers will soon be back in. The Randall Town Hall kitchen is being remodeled.

### **Kenosha County:**

Judy reported that the lake classification report the county is doing should be done in June. They will have a nice, color booklet for each lake. If DPL can get an electronic copy, we could put this on the website. New shoreland set back regulations and impervious surface regulations have been loosened.

### **Watershed Management**

**Historical Water Level Correlation:** Hay and Associates are still working on a correlation between the historical USGS data and our measurements. Neal will check with them as to the progress on this.

**Aquatic Plant Management:** Jim Scharl, who has been doing our testing since Day 1, will now be our contact at Lakes and Ponds. Mark Kordus has moved to another area.

**Water Testing:** Mark Halvey will do the testing again this year. He will test the Knolls Beach weekly in June, July and August.

### **Wetlands:**

Neal will try and renew contact with Dr. Monaco re the wetlands on her property. Dan will aid Neal in these efforts. Also, discussion ensued as to what the arrangements are with the DPL wetlands near the Jefferson Bay Colony. The DPL has no documentation.

### **DNR:**

Dave contacted the DNR after finding no info on fish stocking on their website for our lake. He spoke with Luke Roffler, Senior Fisheries Biologist – Racine, Kenosha and Walworth Counties. Luke told him that our lake was indeed stocked every other year. Next year, in Sept. or Oct., they will stock the lake with 4,514 walleye fingerlings, 6-7" in length. The fact the lake is in 2 counties caused the recording problem and Luke will correct. Luke sent more info which will be included in the next newsletter. Having him as a possible speaker at a future meeting will be pursued. Dave can also inquire as to the possibility of the DPL being able to enhance the program in some way by funding.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

\$18,510.54 = Final Cash Fund balance for 2016 {carryover to 2017}

Jim made a motion to approve the 2016 final treasurer's report. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried. The monitoring station is the only project budgeted for 2016 which we did not do.

Brooke made a motion to accept the anticipated expenses until June 2017. Dan seconded.

\$30,192.76 = Current Cash Fund balance

Motion carried.

Neal Kuhn made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Mark Halvey seconded. Motion carried.

### **Other Business:**

#### **Next Quarterly Meetings:**

There will be a 5 p.m. meeting on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> AND Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Annual Meeting will be Friday, August 4 at 7 p.m. All will be held at Randall Town Hall.

**Adjournment:**

Jim made a motion to adjourn, Dave seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.