

Minutes of the Friday, October 18, 2019 Quarterly Meeting of the District of Powers Lake Randall Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Judy Jooss, Mark Halvey, Brooke Jensen, Dave Anstett and Neal Kuhn were present. Lou Manfredini arrived later.

Approval of June 14, 2019 Minutes:

Judy made a motion to approve the minutes, Dave seconded. Motion approved.

Municipalities:

Kenosha County

Judy says Dan Treolar's replacement has not been chosen as yet. **Judy feels we should put a discussion of the by-laws on the January agenda.**

Town of Randall

The Town of Randall will set a date for the public hearing for the budget.

Mark is still pumping twice a day at the Nippersink Bowl and has been for the last month Water is slowly receding since September 16th. Road there may need to be repaired.

Treasurer's Report

There should be a nice surplus of approximately \$15,000-16,000 which was planned for carryover.

As of 10/16/2019:

\$56,361.08 = Actual income to date

\$26,762.57 = Actual expenses to date

\$29,598.51 = Current cash balance

\$80,077.87 = Wetland Funds

Neal has received a 3 year contract from Hey & Associates for installation/calibration of the device. Last contract was for \$1,250/year. Current one is for \$1,650 per year for 3 years through 2022.

Dave made a motion to approve the contract. Judy seconded. Motion carried.

Neal made a motion to accept the approved expenses through end of year, Dave seconded. Motion carried.

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

Watershed Management

Lake Level

The lake level graph has been updated. Hey actually had to recalibrate the graph since it literally went off the chart due to heavy rains in a short amount of time. The slow no wake was lifted October 17th.

Aquatic Plant Management

The post treatment survey has been completed and **report due soon.**

The dredging in Honey Bear has been completed. If the DNR issues a permit, there is not much the DPL can do about it. **Neal would like our applicator to focus on that disturbed bottom area to see if there are increased invasives in that area.** The natural seed bank is sucked out. This area will be carefully monitored so we may be able to make a case for the DNR to stop the dredging on Powers Lake.

Water Testing

Dave suggested that some **testing should be done on the creek at the inlet.** Walking in that area, he observed that the water was murky and brown/foggy and not clear. It could be an algae bloom. There are houses back there and may have failing septic beds due to the high water levels we have had this year.

Mark said he could do a sampling. Dave suggested 50 feet in from the lake next to the road would be a good spot.

Fish Stocking

Keystone will be out Tuesday the 22nd in the morning and stock 500 9-12" Northern. Stocking will be divided between Jefferson Bay and the Knolls Bay. Dave said fishing was good this year and he had gotten nice walleye, perch and bass. This is the 3rd stocking we have done. Dave feels the 18-21" walleye are from the first stocking. The growth rate is excellent compared to Delavan. Dave feels walleye doing better than Northern.

Other Business:

Website

Website needs updating.

Boat Ramp Monitoring

Neal distributed information for CD3 Benefit Company which produces an invasive species cleaning station. The company is pretty aggressive and will help with the grant process. Multiple types of systems are available. This may be something we want to talk about sometime in the future. We do not have enough volunteers for Clean Boats/Clean Waters. Judy noted that redesigned launches are effective. Questioned whether we have a large enough area. The tools are on tethers.

The board feels it is worth following up on and would be great to have other lakes in the area adapt. If grant money is involved, we could take the lead. Minnesota has been very pro active for a long time. Starry Stonewort has raised awareness. We could go to various lakes and form a coalition and take information to the DNR

Judy mentioned that wake boat ballasts/bilge can carry larva and seeds from one lake to another. Neal will continue to communicate with CD3.

Citizen and/or Commissioner Comments:

Neal made a motion to reimburse Judy for the ink/toner that she uses. The ink has gotten very expensive and we should reimburse her \$497 for her printing expenses. Dave seconded. Motion passed.

Following up on the Annual Meeting appointments, Neal nominated Dave for Secretary, Mark seconded. Motion passed.

Lou mentioned signage at launches not as visible as it should be.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Adjournment:

Neal made a motion to adjourn, Lou seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.