

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 2, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioner's Gehl, Gagnon, Tauer and Tarcin were also present. 23 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site and various sign boards throughout the District prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Gehl read the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 3, 2010. John Ginder moved to accept the Minutes as read, Dennis Schumacher seconded. Motion carried, Minutes approved.

Commissioner Gehl presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. Total Assets, \$296,791, down from \$413,844 due to the sale of harvesting equipment. Total Liabilities, \$0, down from \$42,057 due to payoff of outstanding real estate loan. Total Revenue, \$47,063 down from \$66,334 due to loss of DNR grant money for this year. Total Expenditures, \$27,031, up from \$14,370 due mainly to Lake Management Plan. Balance Checking, \$4,042; Tax Freedom Money Market, \$73,889; Regular Money Market, \$113,322, for total of \$191,235. Dennis Schumacher moved to accept the report as read, Jeff Tewig seconded. Motion carried, Report approved.

Chairman Kloehn asked if anyone knew if a GPS plotter was purchased for \$900 in 2007. Answer, no.

Dennis Schumacher reported on recent FCAL meeting. Forest County is presently in Phase 1, or inspection stage of registered septic tanks. Phase 2 and 3 to follow. Lake Lucerne will stock 36,000 fingerling walleye this year with an expected survival rate of 1%.

Jerry Wolf reported that last year he recorded the lowest average secchi depth in years. Both Total Phosphorus and Chlorophyll are spiking upward. Phosphorous presently is at a value of 60. Anything over 20 results on blue-green algae growth and extensive plant overgrowth. Chlorophyll is above average for the Northeast District. Results are posted on the DNR web site from a link on the PLPRD web site.

Chairman Kloehn reported on the condition of the lake. Pine Lake is considered a Eutrophic lake, and is considered a healthy lake, with phosphorus as the nutrient that controls plant growth, both algae and macrophytes. The large watershed that feeds Pine Lake is the major contributor of phosphorus. The Lake Management Plan is complete and will be presented August 27, 2011 and then to the DNR for approval. Two plant harvestings are scheduled for this year for a total of 40 acres. This is a part of a three year plan with results evaluated each year.

Dennis Schumacher reported on 3 lakes in Upper Michigan being chemically treated. For 2 weeks there can be no swimming and some fish kill is to be expected.

Fish stocking is budgeted for \$4,000. 2,500 6 to 9 inch walleye fingerling are planned for this fall. Motion made by Jan Rausch seconded by Dick Rausch to spend \$4,000 this year. Survival rate estimated at 50%. Motion carried.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the Clean Boats Clean Waters program. Volunteers staff the boat landing to pass out educational information and prevent the transport in or out of invasive species. A training program is scheduled for tomorrow morning at 9:00AM by Chris Hamlin.

Jerry Wolf thanked the Board for its work.

The positions of Commissioners Gehl, Kloehn, and Gagnon are up for election. There being no other nominations the present Commissioners were unanimously elected by voice vote.

The Board recommended a tax levy of \$45,000 for 2012. Lively discussion followed regarding reducing taxes and drawing down the excess fund balances. It was noted that the tax levy of \$45,000 equals about \$125 average per property. The Tax Freedom account was established to provide money for major expenditures like dredging without special assessments. Motion made to accept the \$45,000 levy, seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried.

There being no other business, a motion from the floor was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 2, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Gehl at 9:00AM. Commissioners, Sprenger, Gagnon, Tauer and Tarcin were also present. Chairman Kloehn was unable to attend. 30 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site, various sign boards throughout the District and published in the Forest Republican prior to the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 2, 2011 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting and approved as submitted.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010. Total Assets, \$317,748, up from \$296,791. Total Liabilities, \$0. Total Revenue, \$45,840 down from \$47,063 due to lower interest income. Total Expenditures, \$19,407, down from \$27,031 due mainly to Lake Management Plan being paid off in 2010. Balance Checking, \$12,553; Tax Freedom Account, \$79,205; Regular Money Market, \$124,023, for total of \$215,781. Tom Knaus moved to accept the report as read, Jan Rausch seconded. Motion carried, Report approved.

Commissioner Gehl reported on the Lake Management Plan. It has been submitted by Onterra and awaits approval by the DNR. The project was intended to fulfill three objectives. Collect data to understand the Pine Lake ecosystem, collect information on invasive species, collect information from stakeholders on their thoughts pertaining to past and current conditions and its management. To implement the Plan, three management goals are to be implemented. Goal 1 is to maintain navigation in open and near shore areas. Goal 2 is to maintain current water quality conditions. Goal 3 is to prevent further aquatic invasive species into and out of Pine Lake.

Jerry Wolf reported on the water quality testing that he has done for the past 12 years. Last year the depth he could see the measuring disk decreased to the 3 to 4 foot range vs. 4 to 5 feet in 2005 and 10 feet in 2003. In May of this year he could see the disk on the bottom in 12 feet of water. The location for testing is the same each year, in about 15 feet of water and weed free. This information is available on the DNR web site. The link to this site is available on our web site. Jerry also reported on the phosphorous and chlorophyll loading in the lake. Phosphorous causes algae to grow and the chlorophyll gives it the green color.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the Clean Boats Clean Waters program. Additional volunteers are needed to monitor the boats coming into and out of the lake. Training is provided by a DNR representative. If volunteers are not forthcoming, people will have to be hired to continue the program.

Commissioner Gehl reported on the fish stocking last year of 2,500, 6 to 8 inch walleye fingerlings by the District. A 50% survival rate is expected. The DNR is scheduled to stock smaller walleye this year. 58,000 small fingerlings were stocked by the DNR in 2010, avg. length 1 inch. A question was asked regarding tribal spearing on Pine Lake. According to the LMP, in 2009, the last year of recorded data, 9 walleye were taken out of the allotted quota of 155 with a mean length of 18.5 inches. The last comprehensive fish survey by the DNR was taken in 2003.

Commissioner Tarcin reported on the weed harvesting that began June 24 by Schmidt's Aquatic. 24 acres were cut at that time. Another 24 acres are scheduled to be cut in mid-August. Comments were favorable regarding the cutting into piers to provide access to the lake. Jesse Houle questioned why the harvester did not pick up the floating weeds/algae along the east and south shore. Commissioner Gehl responded that Schmidt's was asked to investigate however Cliff advised that it would not be possible for his equipment to do this. Gehl suggested that the District would look at equipment that in the future would only pick up along the shorelines rather than cut in the middle of the lake. Commissioner Gagnon reported that the buildup of brown weed balls on the south shore is actually Cladophora Algae and only hand removal methods are possible at this time.

Jerry Wolfe questioned the members how many received a notice from the county regarding septic inspections. Representative Tauer responded that this is the 2nd year of a 3 year program where everyone with a registered system will be required to have an inspection. Within 5 years all systems will be inspected. Only licensed inspectors can perform the inspections and certify to the county the results. Outhouses are allowed in the state of Wisconsin however permits are required.

Mary Sprenger presented the proposed budget for the coming year 2013. As reference, last year's 2012 Budget was \$45,000. The proposed 2013 budget of \$30,000 includes \$7,000 for Administration Expenses, \$13,000 for Weed Harvesting, \$5,000 for Tax Freedom Account, and \$5,000 for Fish Stocking. Question was raised concerning if there is enough money in the Admin. expense or other funds available to pay for hiring workers as independent contractors to perform the boat inspections if enough volunteers are not found. The general opinion of the members was to fund the Clean Boats Clean Waters program as necessary. Question raised regarding reason for decrease in proposed budget. Answer, sufficient funds available if necessary in accumulated cash accounts to allow for tax break this year. Representative Tauer advised because of State mandates, future budget increases limited to 2% per year for three years. Member William Ferris asked for clarification regarding the Tax Freedom Account. Answer by Commissioner Tauer, the account total of \$79,205 can only be used to fund major expense and only with express vote of approval at an Annual or Special Meeting. It cannot be used to pay yearly expenses. There being no other comments, Tom Knaus made a motion to accept the Proposed Budget for 2013 as presented, Dick Rausch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The floor was opened for nominations to elect a Commissioner for the Office of Treasurer, succeeding Mary Sprenger who has served a three year term. Dick Raush nominated Mary, Ruth Jennerjahn seconded. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed. Mary Sprenger elected unanimously. Commissioner Tarcin's three year term will expire in 2013, Commissioners Gehl, Gagnon and Kloehn terms will expire in 2014.

Comments were requested from the floor regarding any issues of concern. Question was asked if a back hoe could be used to clean up shorelines of washed up algae/weeds. Answer, it is believed this is possible without a permit as long as the machine did not touch the lake bottom and the weeds could be disposed of in a dumpster and landfilled. Question was asked why the District continues to own the storage building. Answer, it may in the future be used to store equipment better suited to the removal of shoreline weeds. We presently store our pontoon boat for buoy tending. Insurance cost is \$520 per year and electricity cost is minimal. Question was asked why the weed cutter did not pick up washed up weeds. Answer, every effort is made to collect weeds during cutting, however most washed up algae/weeds are not caused by cutting but by normal boat traffic and nature. The District is not responsible for removal but continues to investigate possible solutions.

There being no other business, Tom Caravello moved to adjourn, Ruth Jennerjohn seconded, motion carried.

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioners Gehl, Sprenger, Gagnon, Tauer and Tarcin were present. 30 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site, the Summer 2013 Newsletter, and published in the Forest Republican prior to the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 2, 2012 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Jan Rausch moved to accept, Tom Knaus seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011. Total Assets, \$337,032, up from \$317,748. Total Liabilities, \$0. Total Revenue, \$45,791 down from \$45,840 due to lower interest income. Total Expenditures, \$26,507, up from \$19,407 due mainly to final Lake Management Plan expenditure. Balance Checking, \$6,046; Tax Freedom Account, \$84,599; Regular Money Market, \$144,420, for total of \$235,065. Ken Mischler moved to accept the report as read, Dennis Schumacher seconded. Motion carried, Report approved.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the Clean Boats Clean Waters program. Because of the difficulty in finding volunteers to man the boat landing, two individual independent contractors, Dave Houle and Paul Johnson, were hired for the 2013 season. No DNR grant money was available for this year. The District's 40 foot pier was installed at the boat landing in addition to the Forest Service pier.

Commissioner Tarcin reported on this year's harvesting. A new contractor was hired. Because of the late season, the first harvest will begin this coming Monday and the second harvest is scheduled for late August. The DNR has approved a new plan of 87.4 acres but will allow flexibility in locating the fish lanes depending on weed density. Anticipated cost for this year's harvest is \$10,000. Chairman Kloehn answered a member question regarding picking up of shoreline accumulation of weeds. The District has a Policy that the removal of washed up weeds, algae, and other debris/muck is the responsibility of the lakefront property owner. No DNR permit is required for hand removal of up to a 30 foot wide, 150 foot deep area. A permit is required for mechanical removal. Every effort will be made by the District contracted weed harvester to collect weeds during the cutting operation. Conditions permitting, shoreline pickup with the harvester will be conducted with assistance from the property owner.

Dennis Schumacher reported on FCAL, or Forest County Association of Lakes. FCAL's mission is to inform and educate people of the activities of other lake associations in Forest County. It has no authority to regulate or control. Elwood Lake in Florence County has experienced significant absence of fish less than 7 years old, or since a program to eradicate Eurasian Water Milfoil with 2-4-D was started. It is believed this is the indirect result of the loss of too many of the aquatic plants that small fish need to survive. The DNR has denied the Lake Ellwood Association a permit for chemical treatment in 2013. Pine Lake has good fishing because of its aquatic plant communities.

Commissioner Gehl reported that the District has contracted for the stocking of 2,500 walleye fingerlings, 6 to 8 inches in length to be done in the fall at a cost of \$5,000. The DNR has revised their fish raising program and will stock walleye of this size in the future. Dennis reported that 28 fish were spear

harvested in 2007, 0 in 2008, 9 in 2009, 0 in 2010,11,12, and 2 this year. The DNR and tribal wardens monitor the boat landing to verify the number speared.

Dennis reported on septic pumping requirements. Unless required it is best to delay pumping to allow the bacteria to do its' job.

Commissioner Tauer reported that all septic systems on record in Forest County have been inspected. Work continues on locating and inspecting systems not on record. Fines of up to \$500 can be charged for failure to correct failed systems.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on investigating the silt buildup in Pine Lake and Pine Creek. Motion made by Gary Kavalar, seconded by Dick Rausch to appropriate up to \$10,000 to hire a consultant to conduct this study. Motion carried. Grant money may be available through Forest County and the DNR.

Chairman Kloehn reported the objective of the District is to preserve and protect the quality and beauty of Pine Lake. The complete Lake Management Plan can be ordered at cost or viewed and printed off of our web site.

James Gehl nominated Dick Tarcin for a three year term as Commissioner, Mary Sprenger seconded. There being no other nominations, Dick Tarcin was elected.

Please let Paul Gagnon know if you are interested in volunteering to help with the dredging project.

Mary Sprenger opened the Budget Hearing. The Board recommends \$5,000 for the Tax Freedom Account, \$5,000 for CBCW, \$13,000 for Weed Harvesting, \$7,000 for Administration. Total 2014 Budget, \$30,000, the same as 2013. Mark Ferris questioned that because of fund balances in excess of \$300,000 should not the District be more aggressive in harvesting and dredging. Actual cash balances are closer to \$235,000. Dredging can cost upwards to \$50,000 per acre. Commissioner Tauer reported that grants up to 80% may be available. Motion made by Jan Rausch to accept a Budget of \$30,000, Dick Rausch seconded, motion carried.

Tom Knaus questioned the Board on its' intention for using the District storage building. Chairman Kloehn answered that it is insured and because of unknown possible usage in the future it will remain for District storage only.

Dennis Schumacher questioned the Board on what it plans to do now that the Lake Management Plan is approved. Commissioner Gehl responded that there are three management goals. Goal 1 is to maintain navigation in open and near shore areas. Commissioner Tarcin is responsible for this. Goal 2 is to maintain current water quality conditions. Septic control is being administered by the County. Goal 3 is to prevent further aquatic invasive species into and out of Pine Lake. Commissioner Gagnon is responsible for this. The District members must also be involved in doing their part to achieve these goals. Volunteers are needed to help when needed. It was recommended that more communication be forthcoming. Also, that the signboards be used to announce the meetings.

Chairman Kloehn reported that speeding is a problem on the lake road. All were reminded of the 35 mph speed limit that is set by the Town.

There being no other business, Bob Dixon moved to adjourn, Paul Gagnon seconded, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 5, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioners Gehl, Sprenger, Gagnon, and Tarcin were present. 50 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site, the Spring 2014 Newsletter, and published in the Forest Republican prior to the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 6, 2013 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Dennis Schumacher moved to accept, Tom Knaus seconded, motion carried.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2013. Total Revenue, \$36,614, Total Expenditures, \$37,659 resulting in negative Revenues over Expenditures of \$1,045. Total Assets, \$335,987, Total Liabilities, \$0. Balance Checking, \$14,433; Tax Freedom Account Money Market, \$20,142; Tax Freedom Account CD, \$69,729; Regular Money Market, \$129,716, for total of \$234,020 cash deposits. Expenses increased for weed cutting, clean boats clean water program, insurance for pier at boat landing, fish stocking, and newsletters; decreased for lake management plan. Dob Dixon moved to accept the report as read, Tom Knaus seconded. Motion carried, Report approved.

Old Business:

Dennis Schumacher gave the District the original paperwork from the LMP Survey.

Commissioner Gehl reported on progress of scanning official District documents and posting on the web site. Many years are missing.

Question was raised on progress of septic inspections. Commissioner Tauer replied that all systems that are on record with Forest County have been inspected. Any failed systems are handled through the Zoning Office in Crandon, Pam LaBine. Older systems that are not on record will also be inspected this year or next. It was requested that the Commissioners give a report at the next Annual Meeting of the status of septic inspections. Commissioner Tauer offered to do this.

Chairman Kloehn reported on contacting an attorney to update the By-Laws with Resolutions and other wording to bring them in agreement with Chapter 33 of the State Statutes.

New Business:

Jim Grafelman of Chequamegon Bay Group presented a report of his work performed to date of a Feasibility Study for the removal of silt buildup in Pine Lake as authorized by the District at the last Annual Meeting. Jim's prior experience was with the Wisconsin DNR as a water management specialist, and is familiar with the procedures necessary to investigate and implement a project of this nature. The greatest accumulation is along the west and north shorelines. It was believed that the predecessor to the DNR, the Public Service Commission, allowed opening of the dam to flush out the silt. This has not been allowed or done since 1963. A Feasibility Study was done by the DNR in 1978, however the data is no longer valid and therefore the District hired Chequamegon Bay Group to perform a new study to determine if it is feasible to hydraulically dredge parts of Pine Lake. Mechanically removing with a back hoe would not work for this project. Tasks yet to be completed include determining sediment volumes via use of Bathymetric Surveys and chemical analysis of the sediment for possible metals, pesticides and toxic chemicals. It is not believed that this will be a problem. Estimated costs for these tasks have been received. Next, possible dewatering sites, not wetland, have to be determined. Property owners along the west shore will be contacted. Forest County Land and Water Conservation Department has expressed an interest in disposal of dewatered sediment as a farm soil builder. Possible funding may be available. The final report of the Feasibility Study will be completed by August 31, 2014. The District will then have to determine if it is cost effective to proceed.

Questions from the floor:

Is it possible to deposit the sediment in an island created in the lake? Answer, not likely, as significant regulation requirements would have to be met.

What happens to the lake when it is dredged? Better flow of water, removing sediment removes nutrients which contribute to weed and algae growth.

Where will the dredging take place? Generally along the shore line from 10 to 100 feet out depending on the depth of sediment, as this is where the recreational activity occurs.

Why is Pine Creek not part of the study? The limiting factor is available funding. Quotes to date estimate costs of \$4 per yard for dredging plus \$1 per mile for pumping. At 100,000 yards this equals \$500,000.

Why doesn't the District get the surveys done? When the Feasibility Study is complete, and all costs are determined the District will decide if it is feasible to continue.

Has past work by the Hiles Lumber Company contributed to the silt buildup and is Superfund money available for cleanup? The EPA would have to be involved and this is not likely.

What will happen to the fish population? If past experience is an indication, it will increase as the water quality is improved with dredging.

Does dredging do anything to the levels of the lake? No, however the volume will increase.

When is dredging done? Normally when there is no ice on the lake. For a project this size it may take multiple years from ice out to late in the fall.

Is there mercury in the lake? This will be determined by the sediment analysis.

Is there a budget for dredging? There is an approved budget for the Feasibility Study only, not for the dredging.

Will dredging affect the southeast shoreline with weeds from harvesting? Experience has shown that dredging will reduce the weed growth and therefore reduce the harvesting load.

Will the study produce a map of the lake bottom? Yes, this is done with the Bathymetric Survey. The DNR will require this information in order to get a dredging permit. This will be a public document.

What is the time table? If everything falls into place, the earliest dredging would occur is probably 2016.

Is there grant money that can be applied for? While not part of this study, it behooves Chequamegon Bay Group to investigate this further.

Why was the Forest Service not interested in using the old dump site for this project? Chequamegon will check this out as there are actually two sites in question, one being an old gravel pit. It was noted that when the Forest Service cleared out the boat landing a few years ago the material was put at the old dumpsite. This information will be pursued further.

Can the material be dumped on the DNR land on the north end of the lake? This is a wetland and cannot be used.

There being no further questions, Jim Grafelman concluded his presentation and was thanked by the members.

Next on the Agenda was the recommendation by Chairman Kloehn to re-roof the small garage storage building on the District property for an estimated cost of \$790 or sell the building. Motion made and seconded to repair the roof. Member questioned whether the District intends to sell the big building or the property itself. Response from Chairman Kloehn was no. Motion carried.

Commissioner Gehl reported that 2,500, 7 to 9 inch walleyes were stocked last fall and will be budgeted to be stocked again in 2015. Dennis Schumacher reported on the spear fishing done by all Chippewa Bands. 9 fish were speared on Pine Lake in 2009, since then none have been taken. A copy of this report is attached to these Minutes. Dennis also questioned if the District can apply for DNR 7 inch walleyes now that their hatcheries are again in operation. Commissioner Gehl will follow up on this.

Commissioner Tarcin reported on the weed cutting. Because of the late ice out the cutting has been delayed until next week, rather than before the 4th. A decision to cut a second time in August will be determined at a later date if necessary.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the CBCW program. A DNR grant of \$4,000 has been received to offset some of the cost for operating the program in 2014. Modifications were made to the District pier to improve the boat landing.

Chairman Kloehn made a motion not to rent out space in the existing large storage building for boat storage. Commissioner Gehl seconded. Discussion followed. The District had been advised that the building would have to be available at all times and would require additional insurance. The net revenue would be minimal. Motion carried.

Next on the Agenda was election of 3 board members. The current commissioners up for re-election were, Terry Kloehn, Jim Gehl and Paul Gagnon. All agreed to run for an additional three year term. There being no other nominations from the floor, nominations were closed. Terry, Jim and Paul were re-elected unanimously.

The Budget Hearing followed. Treasurer Mary Sprenger presented the 2015 proposed budget as approved by the Board. Tax Assessment would remain the same as 2013 and 2014 at \$30,000. CBCW Grant income projected at \$4,000 and misc. interest income at \$200 for total Revenue of \$34,200. Expenses for Admin., CBCW, Dredging Study, Fish Stocking, Plant Harvesting and Tax Freedom Account, total \$56,000 for a Budget Deficit of \$21,800. Discussion followed. It was noted that cash needed to fund budget deficit must be taken from existing money market fund balances, not from the Tax Freedom Account. Motion made from the floor to accept the Proposed Budget. Seconded. Motion carried.

There being no other business, motion made to Adjourn. Seconded. Motion carried.

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 11, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioners Gehl, Sprenger, Gagnon, Tarcin and Tauer were present. 50 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site, the Spring 2015 Newsletter, and published in the Forest Republican prior to the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 5, 2014 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Minutes approved as corrected with Tauer noted as not present.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2014. Total Revenue, \$33,508, Total Expenditures, \$52,280 resulting in Excess of Expenditures over Revenue of \$18,772. Total Assets, \$317,215, Total Liabilities, \$0. Balance Checking, \$2,153; Tax Freedom Account Money Market, \$25,062; Tax Freedom Account CD, \$70,052; Regular Money Market, \$117,981, for total of \$215,248 cash deposits. Expenses decreased for weed cutting, clean boats clean water program, insurance for pier at boat landing, fish stocking, and newsletters; increased for lake dredging feasibility project study and for supplies and repair to boat landing pier and small storage building. Question asked on amount of money received last year. Answer, \$30,000 in taxes and \$3,000 in DNR grant for Clean Boats Clean Water, \$508 in interest. Motion made and Seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, motion carried.

New Business:

Mark Ferris of Little Pine Motel presented a report of progress to secure broadband and improved cellular service to the Pine Lake area. A survey is being prepared to determine interest and will be available for signing in August either by door to door volunteers or at the Lake Forest Trading Post. Mark stressed the importance of obtaining as many signatures as possible to convince the Public Service Commission of the need to get reliable service for emergencies and conduct business over the internet.

Chairman Kloehn reported on the sediment removal project. The Potawatomie Tribe will not be able to help, however the Mole Lake Tribe is interested and meetings are scheduled shortly to possibly help with the bathymetric survey and sediment sampling and analysis. Goal is to coordinate the dredging with the lake draw down when the dam is rebuilt. Member concern was raised as to the expense of the Feasibility Study and it's not suspecting any pollution from the old saw mill in Hiles. The sediment sampling and analysis will factually determine if there is any pollution from this source.

Chairman Kloehn reminded everyone of the 35 MPH speed limit on the lake road. This also applies to ATV's and that they must stay on the roads and not drive through the ditches. The speed limit is posted on both entrances to the lake road.

Commissioner Tarcin reported on the weed cutting for this year. One cutting is scheduled for this year. This is the final year of a 3 year permit that determined where we could cut. Because the approved lanes did not provide adequate relief from nuisance weeds, the next permit application will attempt to address this issue. We will ask our weed cutter for assistance in securing this permit.

Tarcin also reported that no answer has been received from the DNR to date regarding the bass fish kill this spring.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the CBCW program. We have again received a \$4,000 grant from the DNR to add to our \$4,000 to support this program. Last year over 2000 boats were inspected and 4500 people were contacted. Purpose is to keep invasives out of and from leaving Pine Lake. The Forest Service has asked for our help in keeping the campground open by volunteering time and services. Our contracted CBCW inspectors, Dave Houle and Paul Johnson are doing this in their spare time. A fee box has finally been installed at the boat landing.

Member concern was raised about the lake level causing the bass die-off. More likely this was due to the rapid temperature change during the spawning period.

Another member felt the level is a foot lower than in the past causing problems with docking boats and that the low level was affecting property values. Commissioner Gehl reported the level of the lake at today's date was within the legal limits. It is the Town of Hiles' responsibility to maintain the lake level. Attempts were made in the past to change the level with the Public Service Commission but to no avail. It was recommended that the Town replace the unreadable staff gauge with a readable one so everyone could see the level. The DNR would have to supervise the install.

Commissioner Tauer reported that 85% of listed properties with septic tanks have been inspected to date. Unlisted homes have not been inspected. All properties are expected to be inspected by year end.

Election of Officers:

Motion was made to nominate Mary Sprenger to another 3 year term. Motion seconded. There being no other nominations, Mary Sprenger was elected unanimously.

Budget Hearing:

Commissioner Gehl presented the 2016 Proposed Budget previously published in the 2015 Spring Newsletter. Copies were distributed to the Members at the Meeting. The Board recommended the tax assessment remain the same as the past two years at \$30,000. This is a balance budget for 2016 with income equal to expected expenses. Question raised regarding no anticipated expense for dredging study. Answer, none was budgeted because unknown if tribes would provide this service gratis. Also, funding was approved last year and not spent this year to date. Member suggested that we not budget for weed cutting as he does not cut on the north east end. The Board will address this issue with the new permit application. Motion made to accept the Proposed Budget as presented, motion seconded and approved.

There being no other business, motion made to adjourn, seconded and approved. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

James Gehl,
Secretary

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioners Gehl, Sprenger, Gagnon, Binter and Tauer were present. 50 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site and published in the Forest Republican prior to the meeting.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 11, 2015 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Minutes approved as presented.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2015. Total Revenue, \$34,291, Total Expenditures, \$23,191 resulting in Excess of Revenue over Expenditures of \$11,100. Total Assets, \$328,315, Total Liabilities, \$0. Balance Checking, \$2,962; Tax Freedom Account Money Market, \$30,105; Tax Freedom Account CD, \$70,053; Regular Money Market, \$123,228, for total of \$226,348 cash deposits. Expenses decreased for weed cutting and Lake dredging project. Question raised on what is purpose of Tax Freedom Account. Answer: District approved early on to set aside \$5,000 annually to help fund any future major projects, rather than having to increase tax assessments in one year in order to pay for it. Motion made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, motion carried.

Election of Commissioner:

Chairman Kloehn nominated Robert Binter, Gehl seconded. Binter had previously been appointed by Kloehn to fill the remaining term of Richard Tarcin who had left the District. In answer to a request that a permanent resident be elected to the Board, Binter advised that he has been a permanent resident of Pine Lake for the last year and one half, and has been coming to the Lake for over 30 years. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed. Motion to elect Binter carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Kloehn reported on the sediment removal project. Flambeau Engineering has been selected to provide a sediment survey and analysis. Question raised if this includes core sampling and testing. Answer: Yes it does. Completion date by the end of this summer. At the same time a plant survey will be conducted to fulfill that requirement for future harvesting. A satisfaction survey and information on shoreland improvement will also be sent out this year. A check for \$3,000 was received from the Sokaogon Chippewa Community for Pine Lake aquatic plant management projects. A report of the largemouth bass dieoff last year was presented to the members and included in these Minutes.

Binter reported that weed cutting is scheduled for week of July 12 this year. Binter asked Tauer to hold the lake at its highest level allowed to improve harvester operation. Motion made and seconded to advise Town of Hiles by letter of the District's desire to maintain the level at or near the maximum allowed. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Tauer reported the Town has begun preliminary engineering studies on reconstruction the dam and roadway. This will take at least a year to submit proposals and then be approved by the DNR.

Gagnon reported on the CBCW program. A \$4,000 grant has been awarded by the State to help fund this program. Because of our help in maintaining the Forest Service Campground, the District was presented with a Plaque of Appreciation by the Forest Service and waived the \$85 permit fee for installing the District pier on their land for 5 years. Gagnon also called for additional volunteers to help with the maintenance of the boat

landing and campground. Volunteer service is important to prevent closing of the campground and boat landing as has happened on other lakes.

Gehl reported on this coming Thursday there will be a Citizen Lake Monitoring Workshop sponsored by the DNR. All are invited to attend. Meet at the boat landing at 9:00. Also, FCAL has published a book showing the aquatic plants both native and invasive, found in northern Wisconsin. Cost is \$15 which includes a membership to FCAL.

Mark Ferris advised that on July 12th. 6:30PM, Pam LaBine, Zoning Administrator of Forest County, will be hosting a meeting to answer questions regarding shoreline zoning. Ferris suggested that the Forest Service has a 5yr. window to dredge in front of their property, it would be an opportunity for the District to help clean out the boat landing and in front of the campground.

Ferris reported that the broadband upgrade possibly would be active by the end of July.

Budget Hearing:

Gehl moved to accept the proposed 2017 Budget as presented to the Members at the Meeting. Seconded by Kloehn. Discussion followed. Tax Assessment would remain the same at \$30,000, anticipated interest of \$300 and CBCW Grant income of \$4,000 giving a Total Revenue of \$34,300. Using last year's Expenditures of \$22,700 results in a surplus of \$11,600. Proposed Budget does not include a cost of \$11,000 previously approved for Dredging studies but not spent. Question raised as to why the District keeps spending money on surveys but nothing gets done. Answer, because these surveys are required by the DNR to allow future harvesting and possible dredging. According to the District Bi-Laws, any expenditure over \$5,000 must be approved by the Members of the District. Motion carried.

There being no other business, motion made to adjourn, seconded and approved. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

James Gehl,
Secretary

2015 Spring Largemouth Bass Die-off

From: *Gregory R Matzke*

Senior Fisheries Biologist
Florence & Forest Counties
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Date: May 11, 2015

Below you will find the preliminary commentary from Dr. Megan Finley, who works in our Fish Health Department in Madison. She was able to take a look at some of the fish, and has sent some for further analysis. As you will see below we are looking at 4-5 weeks before we can definitively know what the cause of the LMB kill on Pine Lake was.

Caution: The email below from Dr. Finley is not definitive.

From: Dr. Megan Finley

Date: May 11, 2015

Thank you for all the information you provided. It helps me get a clearer picture of what's going on there. We took a look at the fish and I have some preliminary commentary. Unfortunately the majority of the fish were showing considerable post-mortem changes. This makes some of the observations hard to interpret as you do not know whether they are related to the cause of death or if they occurred afterwards. For example, most of the fish had pale, emphysematous livers, and adhesions of organs to the body wall. This could be disease related or post-mortem. We took samples for bacteriology and virology. I am hoping that the fish that had been alive when you collected them will provide us with some results.

I am thinking that with the species of fish that were affected, the environmental conditions, and the spawning readiness of the fish that we may be dealing with a spring die off situation. This problem often occurs when waters warm rapidly, and fish start metabolizing more vigorously and are also under stress from spawning related activities. They find the added stress of lower oxygen levels, noxious gases, and pathogens in the water to be overwhelming and will die. This condition usually lasts only a couple of weeks and the overall numbers that die are still relatively low. Species most often affected are bluegills, crappies, perch, bass, pike and suckers.

I will let you know as soon as we get any results from either bacti or virology. Bacti usually takes about 1-2 weeks and viro 4-5. In the meantime if you have any questions please let either Bridget or I know.

From: Gregory R Matzke

Date: June 17, 2015

Thanks for contacting me in regards to the Pine Lake Bass Kill this spring. We collected bass at the time of the kill in various states of decomposition and sent them to our lab in Madison. It took 4 weeks to get the results back from virus and bacteria testing.

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A virus was detected. It was not “largemouth bass virus” which is commonly the cause of a LMB die off due to virus. They tested it against other known viruses and can not identify it. It is being sent in for more detailed work to identify the family of the virus. However, our fish health expert in Madison is not sure that the virus caused the die-off. It was only detected in one of 5 fish that underwent the testing. She believes that the die off was most likely caused by a combination of environmental stressors (increasing water temperature, water quality, spawning stress) and the presence of two forms of bacteria found in the bass sampled. You can see her comments below (that I just received today)

From: Dr. Megan Finley

Date: June 17, 2015

I have spoken with the lab and the virus detected cannot be identified at this time. I have arranged for it to be sent for electron microscopy. Hopefully this will tell us what family the virus is from and can aid us in its identification. From there we can send it for next generation sequencing to get a full ID. A lengthy process and not one that I think will be of importance to this case. Because the virus was only detected in one of the virology samples (a 5 fish pool) I am less inclined to believe it to be the cause of this fish kill. Bacteriology results however revealed motile aeromonas and pseudomonas in most of the fish sampled. I think that this bacteria along with other stressors (environmental factors, spawning) are most likely the cause of this fish kill. I have attached a case summary that provides a bit more information.

From: Gregory Matzke

Oct. 14, 2015

Here is a quick summary:

Most of you already know that the major largemouth bass kill was determined to be caused by what I call the “perfect storm”...there were two different types of bacteria present in the fish samples that were sent to our lab this spring and our fish health experts determined that the presence of these two bacteria (which are commonly found in all of our lakes) along with the seasonal stress put on adult largemouth bass (rising water temperature, spawning stress, water quality, etc) is what caused the fish kill. However, one of the samples that were sent down tested positive for a virus that has never been seen before. We obviously know very little about this virus, since it has never been documented before, so last week we collected 15 live bass of varying size/age class and our fish health team came up from Madison to take tissue and fluid samples from these bass while they were fresh. Samples of brain, gill, muscle and other organ tissues were taken. These samples will be tested for the unknown virus to get a better understanding of how common this virus is in Pine Lake largemouth bass and to get a better understanding of what this virus does and how it works. I have attached pictures from the sampling process that occurred last week.

Update

June: 28, 2016

Confirmed by recent lab tests, the unknown virus did not appear in any of the fish collected last fall, and did not cause the spring die-off.

MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 1, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn at 9:00AM. Commissioners Gehl, Sprenger, Kurzynske and Tauer were present. 50 members of the District were also present and participated in the meeting.

Notice of the meeting was placed on our Web site, published in the Forest Republican and in the PLPRD Spring 2017 Newsletter prior to the meeting.

Chairman Kloehn appointed Mary Pieschek to fill the vacated position of former Commissioner Bob Binter. This position will be up for election at the Annual Meeting in 2019.

Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of July 2, 2016 were distributed to the members prior to the meeting. Terry Scheller moved to accept, Gary Kavalar seconded, Minutes approved as presented.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report for Year Ended December 31, 2016. Total Revenue, \$37, 549; Total Expenditures, \$28,961 resulting in Excess of Revenue over Expenditures of \$8,588. Total Assets, \$336,903; Total Liabilities, \$0; Balance Checking, \$13,657; Tax Freedom Account Money Market, \$30,618; Tax Freedom Account CD, \$75,000; Regular Money Market, \$122,467; for total of \$241,742 cash deposits. Expenses decreased in 2016 for weed cutting and increased for sediment and aquatic plant surveys for future lake dredging and harvesting projects. Sprenger also announced her desire to retire at the end of her term at the next Annual Meeting in 2018. Treasurers Report approved as presented.

Old Business:

Tauer reported on the Town dam and bridge replacement project. Ares Engineering has been hired to prepare plans. Current regulations require the dam and bridge to be separated. A year is required to study the inflow and outflow of water over time. A public hearing will be held when preliminary plans are completed, probably in the summer of 2018. Work would probably begin in the fall, 2 years from now. Estimated dam replacement cost is \$150,000 to \$300,000. Estimated bridge replacement cost is \$150,000 to \$300,000. The Town is hoping to get grant money. The Town has set aside \$200,000 for the dam and \$50,000 for the bridge. The Town is fully responsible for this project, not the District.

Mark Ferris presented the proposed changes to the Hiles Comprehensive Plan. A copy has been attached to these Minutes. Mark explained that to get a DNR permit for any sediment removal in Pine Lake, the support of the Town of Hiles would be required. Thus, the Hiles Comprehensive Plan was changed to include this language. All cities in Wisconsin are required to have such a plan. Hiles plan was filed in 2009. Ultimately, the desire is to provide a positive economic impact on Pine Lake and the Town of Hiles. The approximately 350 properties on Pine Lake contribute about 5% of the Town of Hiles taxes. The Hiles Comprehensive Plan is available on the Town of Hiles web site, www.townofhiles.org The proposed change will be presented to the full Town Board, published and a hearing held before it is approved. Adjoining towns and Forest County will also be advised of the changes for gathering their full support. A letter to our elected officials is also proposed. Motion made and seconded to indicate the District is in favor of the proposed changes to the Hiles Comprehensive Plan as presented by Mark. Motion carried.

Kloehn reported on the status of Flambeau Engineering's contracted projects. The Lake Management Plan is up for renewal. Grant money is available but must be filed by December 10 for the following year's expenditure. This may cost up to \$40,000. Motion made and seconded to apply for the grant before spending any money. Motion approved. Ferris described a possible method of dewatering the dredged material through perforated bags, then disposing the sediment on farm property as it is rich in nutrients. A core analysis has

been done and there is no indication of hazardous material, either mercury or other chemicals, present in the sediment, nor any record of such. In answer to question from the floor, Gehl responded that the Feasibility Study of 2014 is available on our web site that addressed this issue and when the Final Report from Flambeau is completed it also will be published.

Kloehn reported that the weed cutting for this year is scheduled for the week of July 17. The DNR is expected to be on the lake to monitor the previously approved lanes for possible relocation to increase the amount of harvested weeds. Kurzynske asked for an indication of how many thought the weed cutting was worth the expenditure of \$10,000. Reply from member was not if the current paths must be observed but if allowed to change, yes. Another member responded that for those on the north end of the lake the cutting is a tremendous asset to them for accessing the lake from their docks. Gehl mentioned that the mailed survey done last fall in accordance with the requirements of the Lake Management Plan, the majority of respondents approved that weed harvesting continue. Kurzynske replied it is a waste of money. Question from floor regarding picking up weeds since a few years ago many weeds floated into East shore. Gehl responded that this was not caused by the weed cutter, but a naturally occurring process for the curly leaf pondweed to propagate. This is further explained on the web site in our LMP. Question regarding timeline for dredging that may help with weed problem. Kloehn suggested possibly 4 to 5 years. Ferris recommended to continue weed cutting for at least the next few years to be good stewards of the Lake. Kloehn agreed.

Kloehn reported the Clean Boats Clean Waters program is operating again this year. He also reminded everyone of the 35MPH speed limit on the lake roads for automobiles and the 25MPH speed limit for ATV's.

Election of Commissioners:

3 positions were up for election. Kloehn and Kurzynske agreed to run, Gehl declined. Mark Ferris offered to run in his place. Motion made and seconded to nominate Kloehn, Kurzynske, and Ferris for 3 year terms. Motion carried.

Budget Hearing:

Proposed 2018 Budget was amended by Kloehn to leave the Tax Assessment at \$30,000 and increase the Expenditures by \$40,000 to the LMP. This will result in Deficit spending of \$36,200, to be paid from accumulated surplus. Motion made to accept Tax Assessment, seconded. Motion carried. Motion made to accept amended Expenditures, seconded. Motion Carried. Approved 2018 Budget attached to these Minutes.

There being no other business, motion made to adjourn, seconded and approved. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

James Gehl,
Secretary

Hiles Comprehensive Plan

The following are the proposed language changes to the Hiles Comprehensive Plan. The original text is in 'black font' with the proposed changes immediately following in 'red font'.

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Following existing second paragraph; add...

Lake Association Improvement Activities:

Pine Lake

- Clean Boats, Clean Waters Program using local part-time contractors
- Weed harvesting program
- Encouraging voluntary shoreline restoration activities
- Contracting with Flambeau Engineering for lake study.
- As Pine Lake has experienced an excessive level of sediment accumulation, the Pine Lake Protection District is working toward a plan to bring sediment levels to an acceptable level. This will improve water quality and potential health related issues creating a positive economic impact for Pine Lake and the Town of Hiles.

Kentuck Lake

- Clean Boats, Clean Waters Program utilizing University of Wisconsin System students
- Encouraging voluntary shoreline restoration activities
- Contracting with Onterra for five year lake management plan
- Installation of aeration system to remediate water quality and health issues related to widespread blue green algae problem.

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Reverse order of 'Goals', number 1 and number 2

1. Protect natural areas, including wetlands, water bodies, forest lands, wildlife habitats, open spaces and groundwater resources.

Protect and revitalize economically productive areas; shore land, farmland, forests, and recreational areas.

2. Protect economically productive areas; including farmland, forests and recreational areas.

Protect natural areas, including wetlands, water bodies, forest lands, wildlife habitat, open spaces and groundwater resources.

Objectives:

(insert the following as the (1.) objective

- 1 Promote and support all efforts to reverse eutrophication of waters. This is specific to Pine Lake and Kentuck Lake.

Note: Objectives currently listed as 1-4 now will be listed following the above.

2. Preserve the land now in agricultural use.
3. Prevent new development in the Town from negatively impacting natural resources.
4. Minimize impacts to the Town's natural resources from metallic or non-metallic mining.
5. Promote development that minimizes groundwater impacts from on-site septic systems and other sources.

Policies:

Number 1, 2, and 3 remain the same. Add additional policy:

4. Remove legacy sediment in lakes to protect the economic and environmental productivity.

PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT	
APPROVED 2018 BUDGET	
REVENUE	
Tax Assessment	\$30,000
Interest Income	\$300
CBCW DNR Grant Income	\$4,000
LMP DRN Grant Income	\$2,500
Dredging DNR Grant Income	\$2,500
Other Income (Schwamagon)	\$3,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$42,300
EXPENDITURES	
Administration	\$5,500
CBCW	\$8,000
Plant Harvesting	\$10,000
Other	
LMP Update	\$45,000
Dredging Application	\$5,000
Shoreland Assesment	\$5,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$78,500
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$36,200)
	Estimated
Projected Cash Balances Beginning of Year 2018	
Checking Account	\$5,000
Money Market Account	\$113,703
Tax Freedom Account MM	\$35,715
Tax Freedom Account CD	<u>\$75,000</u>
Total	\$229,418
Projected Cash Balances End of Year 2018	
Checking Account	\$5,000
Money Market Account	\$72,403
Tax Freedom Account MM	\$40,815
Tax Freedom Account CD	<u>\$75,000</u>
Total	\$193,218
CASH INCREASE/(DECREASE)	(\$36,200)

**MINUTES: ANNUAL MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
July 7, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Kloehn at 9:00 a.m. Also present were commissioners Jim Kurzynske, Mark Ferris, Mary Pieschek and Mary Sprenger, and Karl Tauer from the Town of Hiles.

Notice of the meeting was placed on the district web site, published in the Forest Republican and in the Pine Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Newsletter prior to the meeting.

Minutes of the July 1, 2017, Annual Meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report:

The financial report as of the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2018, was submitted by Mary Sprenger, treasurer. Report was approved. The report showed the following:

- Regular Money Market Account: \$140,917.25
- Tax Freedom Account: 41,540.38 (Plus \$7,500 in a CD)
- Money Market Checkbook: 5,846.65

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- The Town of Hiles reported it has hired consulting engineering firm Ayres Engineering to design a new overflow design dam with a gate. Replacement will be in 2022. The road over the dam will change from its current design.
- The water level scale on the current dam is correct as per the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
- The final design of the new dam will be set in 2021.
- The Lake Management Plan will be completed by Flambeau Engineering and is due later in 2018.
- Cutting of weeds and other plant matter will be scheduled in August.
- Dredging of the lake generally in the Northwestern section will begin with a test dredge project.
 - Commissioner Mark Ferris reported the District will hire a dredger to undertake the test dredging.
 - Four test properties have been identified. All are on Spruce Hollow Lane.
 - Each property owner will personally pay \$300 for an individual permit. This will permit them to dredge 5 cubic yards each per year over the next 5 years with the opportunity for a 2-year extension.
 - This is an experiment as the DNR has very few records on dredging and its value and impact on properties.
 - Dredging at these properties will be undertaken in Fall 2018.
- Clean Boats project:
 - This project which involves having boat landings manned to examine boats for invasive species is working well. The District has received a \$1,000 grant to continue this for another year.

- The District will contact the DNR and U.S. Government about purchasing a mobile pressure washer for boats at the Forest Service Campground on the west side of the lake.
- Speed limits:
 - The District reminded all residents that roads around the lake have a 35 MPH speed limit for cars and 25 MPH speed limit for All-Terrain Vehicles.
- Commissioners' Report:
 - Plant species known as "puff balls" have returned, but, as usual, they're expected to disappear later in summer.

Other Business:

- Due to the expiration of the term of Treasurer Mary Sprenger nominations were accepted for a new board member. E.J. Kutchie was elected.
- Per diem: The District voted to increase the board member per diem from \$25 per meeting to \$50.

Budget Hearing:

- It was approved to transfer \$40,000 from the Money Market account to the dredging account.
- One resident objected to drawing the money out the Tax Freedom account. The board agreed to review the Tax Freedom Account and its purpose and will propose any changes members see as necessary at a future District meeting.

● The Proposed 2019 Budget was approved:

- Revenue \$44,600.00
- Expenses \$44,600.00
- Fund Balances:
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES BEGINNING OF YEAR 2019
 - Checking: \$ 2,339.00
 - Money Market 36,048.00
 - Tax Freedom Account Money Market 130,708.00
 - Tax Freedom Account CD 75,000.00
 - TOTAL 244,095.00
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES END OF YEAR 2019
 - Checking: \$ 2,339.00
 - Money Market 36,048.00
 - Tax Freedom Account Money Market 130,708.00
 - Tax Freedom Account CD 75,000.00
 - TOTAL 244,095.00

There being no other business the motion was made to adjourn, seconded and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Pieschek, Secretary

Attachment:

- Attendance Sign-In sheets

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Sign-in Sheet

Annual Meeting
July 9, 2018

CURT RAUBE 8492 Twin Pw Ln
Barbara Jerich 8169 W. Pine Lake Rd.
Alan Jerich 8169 W Pine Lake Rd.
Terry Anthony 8076 Spruce Hollow Ln.
Stanley and Suzanne Wagner 10754 Circle Dr.
Steve & Ed Kutchie 8196 W. Pine Lake Rd.
Jim & Mary Anne Krene 8703 Sucker Crk
Bob & Bunty Heintz 8115 W. Pine Lake Rd
RICHARD PHILAN 8649 Sucker Crk Ln
Bob Spangenberg 10558 Murray Lane
Bob Heine 8918 Pine Lake Rd
Mark Francis 7970 W Pine Lake Rd
Jack & Michele Fehmann 8246 W. Pine Lake Rd
Jon & Beth Mueller 7710 E Pine Lk
Chuck Weston 8352 W Pine
BLAISE KRAUTKRAMER 8352 W. PINE
Claudine Kalfew / Mark Fay 8192 W. Pine Lake
Charles W. Stoneberg 8290 W. Pine Lake Rd.
Charles Sun 8290 W. PINE LAKE RD
Mike Riese Hill View Lane
Ken Moser Sucker Cr. Ln
Mary Howl Hill
Jerry Duth & Erik Duth 8846 W. PINE LANE
GAE Prielli 8189 E PINE LAKE RD
DANISE TRZEBIATOWSKI 8460 W PINE LAKE RD
Kathy Trzebiatowski " " "

P-2 Sign-in Sheet Annual Meeting
July 7, 2018

Al Vane	8411 MITCHELL PLAT RD.
Jenny Sieghold	8038 W. Pine Lake Rd.
Patricia K. Jones	8038 W PINE LAKE RD.
Deb Kowle	7698 E Pine Lake Rd
Carol Diabowski	7700 Pine Lake Rd
Marquette's	10834 Circle Lane
JOE BERGNER	8269 E PINE LAKE ROAD
Jeremy Resch	W8880 W Pine Lake Rd
Leon Pieschek	10642 Pine Lake Rd

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the bags are permeable the water passes through. Bags are \$185 per bag and can NOT be reused. As an option the board is investigating the use of a roll of dewatering material to use in the dewatering wagons that were purchased last year.

- Individual shorelines can be dredged by the home owners. Permits will be at the homeowner expense at \$300.
- Clean boats: The clean boats program is roughly a \$4,000 expense to the district and it was questioned if this is a project that we want to continue to fund or use the funds for other projects. A member mentioned that people launch their boats off of the south shore and also at the ramp on the north east side off of Coes Landing. The federal launch is staffed on a part time bases. The point being is that we do not have 100% coverage for boats going into and coming out of Pine Lake. It was mentioned would we have better coverage if we put some type of signage that would encourage and put at top of mind if boaters have a clean boat. Commissioner Farris recommended that we get some data and information from the current inspections sheets on number of boats and number of infractions.
- Speed Limits: Chair Kloehn reminded the audience that the speed limits for ATV's is 25 MPH. Slow down to avoid any accidents.
- Lake Level: A member wanted to discuss the lake level. The lake is currently with in the zone that is required to maintain the DNR level. Commissioner Farris showed the audience an Abstract of Title that dates back to findings from 1930.
- Commissioner's report:
 - No comments from the commission

Other Business:

- No Other business was brought forth for the meeting

Budget Hearing:

- The Proposed 2020 Budget was approved
 - Revenue \$44,600
 - Expenditures \$44,600
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES BEGINNING OF YEAR 2020
 - Checking \$ 8,939
 - Money Market Account \$ 44,565
 - Tax Freedom Account MM \$ 132,390
 - Tax Freedom Account CD \$ 76,500
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES END OF 2020
 - Checking \$ 8,939
 - Money Market Account \$ 44,565
 - Tax Freedom Account MM \$ 132,390
 - Tax Freedom Account CD \$ 76,500

There being no other business the motion was made to adjourn, seconded and approved
Meeting adjourned at 10:50

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Duhn, Recorder

The Town of Hiles is in agreement and is working with the Lake District to be able to proceed with process mentioned in the above paragraph.

The request to the DNR will be to lift the level of the lake 6"-8". This may be feasible but a request for a change of 12" or 18" is a huge stretch to accomplish.

In summary, the Lake District needs to have all, each and every property owner, in favor of a higher lake level. If most are in favor but there are a handful of people in decent the DNR will not be in favor to proceed forward with a higher lake level proposal.

7 members asked questions of Larry. Larry Q&A session concluded at 9:20.

After Larry was off the phone there was more discussion on what the gauges mean on the dam. The gauges read in tenths of a foot and as a district are talking about inches. For each tenth of foot that equates to 1.2". If the water level on the gauge reads 1.1 the water level is over by 1.2" If the gauge reads 1.5 the water level is 6" above the maximum allowed.

4/6/2020- Recorded 1.5 on the gauge. Equal to 6" over Max.

4/11/2020- Visual Observation of 1.65. Equal to 7 7/8" over Max

6/8/2020- Recorded .90 on the gauge. Equal to 1.2" below the Max

Summer of 2019 low reading was .66 on the gauge. Equal to 4" below Max

If the set dam is designed at 3" below the Max of 1.0 and we have another summer like 2019, the lake level would be 7" below the maximum and 3" above the minimum.

As the process continues we will keep the membership informed and there will be public hearings by the Town of Hiles and the DNR.

Sediment Removal/ Dredging:

- Dredging is moving forward with permitting with the DNR.
- Tiffany is assisting with this permitting task. We have 4- 5 permits that have been issued
- Dredging will be towards the end of July or early August.
- Individual shorelines can be dredged by the home owners. Permits will be at the homeowner expense at \$300.
- Mark Farris has been in contact with Carol Hopingarner for the use of her dredging equipment. Currently the equipment is in for inspection and repair.
- Mark stated that we should develop a contingency plan in case the Hopingarner equipment does not work or is inadequate.

Plant Harvesting:

- Plant cutting will not occur this year. The location (GPS coordinates approved by the DNR) does not have enough weeds in that location to justify the expense.

New Business:

Election of three board members-

- Up for election this year is Terry Kloehn, Jim Kurzynske and Jerry Duhn
- Any additional nominees were opened up to the membership

- Dick Raush made a motion to have the commission remain with Kloehn, Kurzynske and Duhn. Seconded and passed.

Commissioner's report:

- No comments from the commission

Other Business:

- No Other business was brought forth for the meeting

Budget Hearing:

- The Proposed 2020 Budget was approved
 - Revenue \$44,600
 - Expenditures \$44,600
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES BEGINNING OF YEAR 2020
 - Checking \$ 18,938
 - Money Market Account \$ 44,000
 - Tax Freedom Account MM \$ 127,000
 - Tax Freedom Account CD \$ 75,500
 - PROJECTED CASH BALANCES END OF 2020
 - Checking \$ 18,939
 - Money Market Account \$ 44,000
 - Tax Freedom Account MM \$ 127,000
 - Tax Freedom Account CD \$ 75,500
 - Ken Moser made a motion to accept the proposed 2021 budget. Seconded and approved.

There being no other business the motion was made to adjourn, seconded and approved
Meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Duhn, Recorder

