

MINUTES QUARTERLY MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
August 31, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn. Commissioner's Gehl, Tarcin, Sprenger, Tauer and Gagnon were present. 20 Members were also present and participated in the meeting.

The Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of July 6, 2013 were approved as read.

Commissioner Sprenger gave the Treasurer's Report. Balances as of 8/23/2013: Checking Account, \$14,253.31, MM Account, \$139,805.34, Tax Freedom Account, \$20,133.65 plus CD of \$69,623.96. Commissioner Gehl moved to accept, Commissioner Tarcin seconded, Report accepted as presented.

Discussion followed regarding the District pier, use of which was donated to the Forest Service at their boat landing. Some monies were spent for repair and bumpers. The tire bumpers are on the Forest Service pier. The pier will be removed mid-October and stored in the District building. Commissioner Gagnon has taken responsibility for the pier. It was brought to the attention of the Members that once the Campground is closed, no parking fee is required.

Chairman Kloehn reported that together with Commissioner Gehl, the Lake Management Plan grants will be closed out with the DNR.

Commissioner Gagnon advised that the CBCW program will continue until the end of the month on weekends only. For the record, in 2011, 30 boats were inspected with 28 volunteer hours. In 2012, 42 boats were inspected with 21 volunteer hours. In 2013, for May, June and July, 1,356 boats have been inspected with 560 paid hours. Over 3000 people have been contacted and made aware of the CBCW program. These records are available on the DNR web site. A link will be added to our web site. Next year a DNR grant of \$4,000 will be received to offset the approximate \$10,000 cost of this program for the District.

Commissioner Gehl reported on the volunteer efforts of Jerry Wolf regarding the water quality of Pine Lake. Ice out on May 3rd. Clear water until mid June, then algae present. Level high to normal throughout summer because of heavy rains. Average Secchi depth 3ft. vs. 10ft. in 2003.

Members were reminded of our new web site. www.pinelakedistrict.org

Commissioner Tarcin reported on the weed harvesting this year. Two cutting were done, with a total harvest of 21 truckloads at 63,000lbs. Special effort was made to clear lanes from docks to open water. Because of the murky water this year not much growth was experienced in the center of the lake. A second off-loading site on the south end of the lake would speed the process. The harvesting equipment is not able to pick up the black ball algae experienced by some. A form of dredging equipment is required. Member Orvis advised the Board of someone in Sheboygan who has this equipment. To contact the Board, use our email address: pinelakeinfo@gmail.com

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the hiring of Lake and Pond Solutions Co. to pursue the study of dredging Pine Creek and other silted in areas of Pine Lake. First step is to measure depth and calculate amounts of sediment in these areas. The DNR requires this action to move forward and possibly receive grant money. Commissioner Tauer reported that the Hiles sawmill never used chemicals to treat their logs. The District's responsibility ends at HYW 32.

Commissioner Gehl gave Dennis Schumacher's report on FCAL. 27 people on Pine Lake are paid members, application forms are available. Fall Forum, September 14th at Lake Lucerne clubhouse. Annual Meeting, October 12th at T-Bobs. A pocket size booklet published by Sawyer County was shown to the Board. Chairman Kloehn will suggest FCAL publish a similar book with Pine Lake District involvement to reduce costs.

Chairman Kloehn thanked the Board for their work on harvesting, dredging, financials, and CBCW program. Member Tom Knaus will look for past records on sediment studies.

Commissioner Gehl reported that 2,500 walleye fingerlings, 7 to 8 inches in length will be stocked again this year by the District. The DNR has rebuilt their hatcheries to stock this size in the future. Mole Lake is also building hatcheries.

Commissioner Tauer reported the dam gates are open due to recent heavy rains and will remain open until the minimum regulated depth of 90.0 ft. is reached.

Member Bob Loewe requested that the District regulate northern and walleye size with slot limits. Chairman Kloehn will get an opinion from the DNR.

Member Jim Kurzynske requested that members be allowed to store boats in the District building. Concern for losing the tax exempt status for the District, building insurance, and control of operation were expressed by the Board. A legal opinion will be sought.

Commissioner Tauer reported on the blue algae bloom experienced on Kentuck Lake this year.

The date for the next Quarterly Meeting will be November 16, 2013.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.