

MINUTES QUARTERLY MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
May 24, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn. Commissioners Gagnon, Gehl, Tarcin and Sprenger were present. Commissioner Tauer was not present.

The Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of November 16, 2013 were approved as presented to the Commissioners prior to the meeting.

Commissioner Sprenger gave the Treasurer's Report. Cash Balances as of 5/22/2014: Checking Account, \$10,536.68, MM Account, \$145,199.14, Tax Freedom Account, \$25,150.40 plus CD of \$69,000. Report accepted as presented.

Jim Grafelman of Chequamegon Bay Group, Inc. presented his Draft Report of Task 1 of a Feasibility Study for the Pine Lake Dredging Project, or silt removal, commissioned by the District with approval at the last Annual Meeting. A copy of his report is attached to these Minutes. Discussion included an estimated time-line before any actual dredging could occur. The DNR has up to 250 days for permit approval based on scientific information provided by this study. It is possible that dredging could occur in 2015 but most likely it would be 2016. After further discussion with the attending members and the Board, it was agreed to proceed with completing Tasks 2 through 8 to provide a Final Feasibility Study Report by August 31, 2014. This study is designed to help the District decide whether it is feasible to continue on to the next phase which includes: Applying for permits from the DNR. This is when bathymetric surveys and sediment sampling are actually done. It is cheaper to do the bathymetric surveys in the winter through the ice. It is cheaper to do the sediment analyses in the summer when the sampling equipment can be used in a boat. Jim Grafelman will make a presentation and progress report at the PLPRD Annual Meeting on July 5, 2014.

Commissioner Gehl will scan and forward to CBG a prior dredging application by the District to the DNR in 2004 that was later withdrawn for lack of support and insufficient data.

Commissioner Gagnon reported the CBCW program was continued again this year and he also distributed Cold Paks from the DNR for keeping your fish cool.

Commissioner Tarcin reported the weed cutting will be done by the same firm as last year. First cutting expected to be done the last week in June. Question was raised about lowering the lake level to do a better job of cutting. Since the lake level is controlled by the Town and is legally set at between 90 and 91 feet, no attempt will be made to do this by the District. A second cutting will be scheduled in August if deemed necessary.

Chairman Kloehn reminded everyone that his term of office, along with Commissioners Gehl and Gagnon will be up for re-election at the Annual Meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

A proposed Budget for 2015 will be published in the upcoming Newsletter. The Commissioners agreed to recommend holding the tax levy at the same amount as last year, and that the anticipated added Dredging Study expenses would be paid for by existing reserve funds.

Commissioners discussed the possibility of selling the small garage owned by the District. Chairman Kloehn will get an appraisal and present it at the Annual Meeting.

Commissioner Gehl reported on a town in Door County that leases space in their storage building. Individuals must provide their own \$1,000,000 liability insurance, and rent is at market price, not free for taxpayers. Advice from a member to the Commissioners was not to get involved in this since he has been sued twice by renters even though he has legal contracts. Also, being in competition with nearby private storage facilities is questionable for a government taxing district. Increased liability insurance would also be required by the District. Commissioner Sprenger will look into the insurance requirements and cost, Commissioner Gagnon the number of boats that could be stored. The issue and it will be discussed again at a later date.

Member Schumacher reported on the FCAL Fall Forum to be held at Lake Lucern on September 13, 2014. Overwinter fish kills were minimal this year.

Commissioner Tarcin again asked for volunteers for help and information to be put in the newsletters.

The next Quarterly Meeting will be held immediately after the Annual Meeting on July 5, 2014.

There being no further business, Commissioner Gehl moved to adjourn, Commissioner Gagnon seconded, motion carried, meeting adjourned.