

MINUTES QUARTERLY MEETING
PINE LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
May 23, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kloehn. Commissioner's Gagnon, Gehl, Tarcin, Sprenger and Tauer were present. 25 District members were also present and participated in the meeting.

The Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of March 14, 2015 were approved as presented to the Commissioners prior to the Meeting.

Commissioner Sprenger presented the Treasures Report. Balance MM Account: \$129,631.34. Balance TFA, MM: \$30,071.23; TFA, CD \$70,000.00. Balance Checking Account: \$5,386.67. Two tax payments have been received from Forest County plus a \$1,000 payment to start up the CBCW program from the DNR. Report accepted as submitted.

Chairman Kloehn reported that the Potawatomie Tribe may be interested in helping us with the dredging project. A letter will be sent by Kloehn requesting a proposal to provide an up-to-date bathymetric survey, along with sediment sampling and analysis. Kloehn will determine the scope of the survey and sampling study. Funds have already been budgeted for this work. Competitive bids are not required in this case.

Commissioner Tarcin reported that weed cutting will continue this year according to our DNR permit, which allows 87 acres to be cut. This is the last year for the permit and a new application will have to be submitted.

Tarcin also reported on the bass die off this spring. The DNR was notified and they came on the lake and collected fish for further study. Results will be published as soon as we receive them.

Commissioner Gagnon reported on the CBCW program. \$4,000 in grant money has again been received. We have agreed to help the Forest Service maintain the campground when time is available. They have also requested additional volunteers. Contact Greyling Brandt at the Laona Ranger Station if anyone is interested.

Through the CBCW program last year, over 125 boats were inspected over the July 4th weekend, and over 2000 boats during the season. This program helps keep invasive species out of Pine Lake and from being transferred to another water body.

Gagnon reminded everyone that if any bass tournament is conducted on Pine Lake using the Forest Service boat landing, a special use permit must be obtained from the Forest Service. Under certain conditions, a DNR permit is also required.

Commissioner Gehl reported on the earlier decision not to stock walleye this year from District funds, since the DNR is now stocking 6 to 8 inch fingerlings every other year, starting last year.

Commissioner Tauer reported on the dam and how to read the lake level gauge. According to the DNR the level must be maintained by the Town of Hiles between 90.00 ft. and 91.00 ft.

They are now holding below the high mark to avoid problems with the DNR, but are presently still above the low mark.

Discussions followed regarding a Proposed Budget for 2016. It was concluded that the Budget should remain the same as the past 2 years and will be presented as such to the members in the Newsletter and voted on at the Annual Meeting in July.

The position of Treasurer, currently held by Mary Sprenger, will be up for election at the next Annual Meeting.

The current mailing list will be available after this meeting for review. If you are not included, please advise.

It will be at least two or more years before the dam is replaced at an estimated cost of over \$500,000. Dams are generally rebuilt in the fall. The Town is responsible for this.

The Annual Meeting will be July 11, 2015 with a Quarterly Meeting immediately following.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.