

The Buffalo Lake P&R Regular Meeting

Time 9:00 a.m.

Date: April 18, 2009

Location: Packwaukee Town Hall

Commissioners Present:

Bill Lewis—Commissioner

Roger Naniot—Special Projects Coordinator

Colleen Huber – Special Projects

Al Rosenthal—Treasurer

Wendy Cordes —Secretary

Commissioners not in attendance

Frank Breitenbach – absent

Tom Bowman – absent

1. Meeting came to order at 9:02 am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Minutes from the February 20th meeting were read and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report for February and March debits and Deposits were reviewed. Report was approved.
4. Committee reports:
 - a. District Boundaries – Additional meetings postponed until further information is gathered on the county's timeline for digital mapping.
 - b. Marquette County Lake Fair - Committee still meeting, no change on date.
 - c. Cutting Pattern – received documentation back from the DNR on the map and proposal submitted by the District. Proposal was approved. (See attached report) Cutting crew reviewed new changes and will contact the Engineer for more information if needed. Will post cutting pattern on Web site. Discussion followed.
 - d. Equipment - A new used dump truck was purchased for \$13,500 of the \$35,000 approved. The remaining monies will be used to purchase a badly needed pick-up truck. Thanks to Buffalo Lake Association for covering the cost of transporting the vehicle back to Wisconsin from Iowa. The price of a Harvester has increased over the past year. As a result, the Grant written to the DNR is incorrect. The plan is to check with the DNR to determine the best course of action to follow for correcting the Grant application.
 - e. Buffalo Lake District 2009 Plan – Colleen Huber wrote an article in the recent WAL newsletter. The article was about our Comprehensive Lake Management Plan. As a result of this article, WAL indicated they would check back with Colleen at a later date to find out the status of our efforts. Colleen has suggested that we set goals, each year, and share the goals with the District members. This way, all District members are informed on what the District Commissioners' plans are for the upcoming year. Each goal was reviewed and determined if it has been met or still in progress. Colleen will be updating the 2009 Goals and they will be included in the upcoming Newsletter and also on our Website.

5. Buffalo Lake Newsletter:

- a. A newsletter will be assembled within the next 30 days
- b. A 2nd newsletter will also be created and distributed to coincide with the annual meeting in August.
- c. Discussion took place on whether we should reduce the publishing of a newsletter to only once per year. The once-per-year newsletter would coincide with the Annual Meeting notification.
- d. Suggestion is that we notify members to use the Buffalo Lake District Website to keep up to date on Buffalo Lake District activities.
www.buffalolakedistrict.org
- e. It was suggested that all Commissioners have their name and e-mail address posted to our Website. There was not a consensus to do this.
- f. One concern that was voiced was the fact that some district members do not have Internet access and also that some members do not use the Internet at all.
- g. An article on communicating with members via the Internet will be included in the next newsletter. We need to let the district members know that this is being considered.
- h. Will include a proposal regarding electronic distribution (Internet) of District communications at the Annual Meeting so a vote can be taken. District Members were the individuals who requested they be kept up to date.

6. Other Reports – An update on the dam boards was shared – with no new information at this time.
7. Next Meeting – June 27, 2009 at 9:00 am. at Packwaukee Library. Annual meeting will be August 1, 2009 at 9:00 am. Tentatively set for Montello High School.
8. Meeting adjourned at 10:29 am.