

APPROVED MUDHEN LAKE REHABILITATION DISTRICT MEETING

9/9/17

Meeting was called to order at the Daniels Town Hall on Saturday, 9-9-17 at 10:00 am by Chairman Dan Heintz with 16 members in attendance.

Secretary's report was read by Mary Sagstetter. Discussion occurred from Mike Huber wanting clarification from the 8/12/17 meeting minutes regarding the secchi reading levels. Mike shared that he is trained and takes secchi readings in the exact location each time. He offered levels are also typically higher in the spring. Motion was made by Russ Unger to approve Secretary's report. Motion was seconded by Bill Burton. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read by Kandy Unger. Kandy identified each expenditure. Current balances: Checking: \$936.32 Savings: \$10,685.70 Motion was made to approve Treasurer's report by Wilhelmina Fischer. Motion was seconded by Penny Hampton. Motion carried.

Old Business:

1. Website Posting - Dan Heintz shared he researched the posting of Mud Hen Lake Meeting Minutes to the Town of Daniels website and did not find any information stating that this is a necessary action. This was voted on in the past and result was that the District had decided against posting Meeting Minutes. Mike Huber, Town of Daniels Chairman, and Liz Simonsen, Town of Daniels Recorder, explained the difference between a Lake Association and a Lake District, referencing www.uwsp.edu, Chapter 4, a lake district is a governmental body with statutory responsibilities are held to the same body of municipal laws that govern Wisconsin towns and counties. Discussion occurred relating to the following – Do we have to post? / Why would we not post? / Why would we post? / Do we have to post both Meeting Minutes and financials? / Where would we post to make available to the public? / Who manages this type of forum as to keep taxpayers informed about what is happening in the District? / Does information need to be approved prior to posting?

Motion was made by Bill Burton to post the Mudhen Lake Rehab District Meeting Minutes and Financials to the Town of Daniels website and the Burnett County lake Association website. Motion was seconded by Mike Huber. Motion carried.

2. Aquatic Plant Management Plan – This is a 5 year plan that measures the weeds against a baseline measurement. This plan was supposed to be updated 2 years ago. Dan Heintz reported there has been no further movement in receiving this report.

New Business:

1. Audit Report – The checking and savings accounts require yearly auditing. Penny Hampton, Ted Fischer and Wilhelmina Fischer performed the annual audit for the checking and savings account. All entries coincided with the bank statements.

2. Purple Loosestrife – Dan reported that Purple Loosestrife was harvested on Saturday, August 12, 2017. There was one intern from Burnett County Land & Water Conservation and 10 Mudhen Lake residents that volunteered to harvest this invasive aquatic plant. Dan thanked all who volunteered to assist with the clean-up effort. Discussion occurred regarding if effort is making a difference. Dan reported that the south side of the lake has seen a definite improvement. He listed out specific areas that the plant was found this year and noted although there has been an improvement, this effort needs to continue each year to inhibit its further growth. It was noted that the cleanup items (environmentally safe solution, gloves and bags) were provided by Burnett County Land & Water Conservation at no cost. Dan asked if the District would like to donate to the Burnett County Land & Water Conservation for providing the intern and supplies. After discussing donating \$150 to Burnett County Land and Water conservation Kandy Unger, Treasurer, stated she had not budgeted for \$150 to be donated again this year and that we would need to amend the budget. Penny Hampton made the motion to amend budget. Motion was seconded by Wilhelmina Fischer. Motion carried. Penny Hampton made a motion to donate \$150 to the Burnett County Land & Water Conservation. Motion was seconded by Wilhelmina Fischer. Motion carried.

3. Submission of Mudhen Lake Commissioners - Per the Mudhen Lake Rehab District by laws, it states that the secretary shall annually provide the University of Wisconsin Extension Office (Environmental Resources Unit) with the names and addresses of the Commissioners and copy of said list shall annually notify the DNR of the continued existence of the District. Mary Sagstetter shared this information has been provided to Burnett County contact – Ann Lane.

4. Bill Burton offered discussion about the time between Mud Hen Lake Meetings and the requirements to have Meeting Minutes not approved prior to the next formal meeting. Discussion occurred. Bill Burton made a motion to post the unapproved Meeting Minutes after each meeting to the Town of Daniels website and to Burnett County Lake Association websites. The Meeting Minutes will be indicated or marked "unapproved". These Meeting Minutes would be unapproved until next formal meeting. Motion was seconded by Penny Hampton. Motion carried.

5. Mike Huber offered discussion about the Board of Commissioners. By-laws Of the Mud hen Lake Rehab District state that the affairs of the District shall be managed by a Board that consists of five people. The Mudhen Lake Board consists of three elected officials and Mike Huber attends as the Town Board Representative. The County Board Representative has not been appointed by the Burnett County Board. Mike Huber offered to make this request to the County Board for future meetings.

Motion was made by Lonny Peterson to adjourn meeting. Motion was seconded by Wilhelmina Fischer. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Sagstetter

Secretary