

MUDHEN LAKE REHABILITATION DISTRICT MEETING

8/12/17

Meeting was called to order at the Daniels Town Hall on Saturday, 8-12-17 at 10:00 am by Chairman Dan Heintz with 39 members in attendance.

Secretary's report was read by Mary Sagstetter. Motion was made to accept and seconded by Wilhelmina Fischer to approve Secretary's report, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read by Kandy Unger. Current balances: Checking: \$1,249.15 Savings: \$10,685.70 Motion was made by Pete Kuwaja to approve Treasurers Report and seconded by Ted Fischer. Motion carried.

Old Business:

1. 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 spoke to Dave Ferris, County Conservationist, and was told that we should have the updated APM report in two months.
2. Banking Discussion – US Bank had been charging a \$5 / month fee for the checking account. The Mudhen Lake Rehab checking account had a current fee of \$15 charged against it. Kandy contacted US Bank and got all fees refunded, Going forward the checking and savings account will be paperless.

New Business:

1. Audit Books – The checking and savings accounts require yearly auditing. Dan Heintz requested volunteers to take on this task. Volunteers were: Penny Hampton, Mark Vangsgard and Wilhelmina Fischer.
2. Lake Level Report - Swenson land surveying is now Tamarack Land Surveying. The vendor has changed to Tamarac Land Surveying. The lake level report was provided to Dan Heintz by Megan Swenson stating that on July 5, 2017 the lake level was 97.6 feet based on the DNR bench 771-D near Lindberg Park. The report stated that the water elevation is the same as last year. The historic data sheet from July 21, 1984 to July 5, 2017 was passed for review. Wilhelmina Fischer stated that her property is by the lake outlet and that the lake level in this area of the lake appears low in comparison to other years - the water appears to be running out of the lake. Tim Tessman asked for clarification of the cost of the Lake Level survey and where the measurement was taken. Dan Heintz responded.

Cost = \$125 / Location is the DNR benchmark at Lindberg Park.

3. Water Testing Report - Scott Stennes submitted a bill for purchase of replacement parts for the dissolved oxygen meter to Dan Heintz. Dan submitted to Kandy Unger for payment. Mary Sagstetter provided an explanation of the process of the water testing process in Scott Stennes' absence. It is a three part process that collects data for the following: lake clarity, dissolved oxygen level and water testing. Mary Sagstetter and Steve Hoffman have been trained by Scott to be the backup testers if Scott is unable to perform the water testing data collection. This data is posted on the WI DNR site. They also can take secchi disk readings and enter the data on to the DNR website. Wilhelmina Fischer wanted further clarification regarding a secchi disk reading that was previously mentioned in the 5/13 /17 minute reading that stated that Mike Huber mentioned his last reading was 17 ft. without weed growth.

Mary explained that depending on the weather conditions reading could be varied. Scott Stennes is very consistent in the location of his readings and it is unclear as to where Mike was taking his.

4. ILIDS Lake Camera Report - Dan spoke with Eric Lindberg who reported that Mudhen Lake had no violations this year. There were 300 boats that went in and out of the lake this year. We need to be diligent about keeping our lake clean. Mudhen Lake is borderline suitable for Zebra Mussels and McKenzie Lake does have this aquatic invasive species. Discussion occurred regarding purchasing a sign that depicts the instructions for entering and exiting the lake. Dan stated that the cost of this type of sign could be \$500 - \$1000. Penny Hampton offered to source lower cost signs if provided with the information. Pete Kujawa asked if the DNR would make signs for free.

5. Budget Approval

Kandy submitted new budget.

Tamara Land Surveying	\$ 125
Burnett County Annual Dues	\$ 50
ILIDS Lake Camera	\$ 2400
Meeting Expense	\$ 100
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 25
Total	\$ 2700

Discussion occurred regarding if enough money was budgeted, as the APM bill of \$2500 was not submitted yet. Dan Heintz explained that we had agreed years back to keep \$10,000 in our savings account in case of emergencies (invasive aquatic species, etc.) and if this bill is submitted in the next two months we will drop below the \$10,000. Motion was made for a revised budget of \$3,200 by Cindy Stennes and seconded by Wilhelmina Fischer. Motion carried.

6. Purple Loosestrife

Purple Loosestrife is an invasive species of plants that invades marshes and lakeshores, replacing cattails and other wetland plants. Dan reported that the Purple Loosestrife is currently blooming. Dan Heintz received notice yesterday that the intern from Burnett county land and water was available today and asked for volunteers to assist with the clean-up effort. Discussion continued as to where this plant is found land or water – answer was both. Also, Dan notified all that an environmentally safe solution provided by Burnett county land and water is used to spray the plant to inhibit its further growth.

7. Posting Meeting Info to County Site

Dan Heintz brought up that Mudhen Lake Meeting information was being posted to the Daniels Town website. He explained that in years past, this was discussed and a decision was made not to post Mudhen Lake Meeting information to the site. Discussion occurred as to what information was posted, who posted, do other associations post their meeting information, and does information need to be approved prior to posting? Kandy Unger explained her ties to the Town Board and as a representative of Mudhen Lake posted information to the Daniels Town Website. Discussion was tabled. Mark Vangsgard made a motion to research what information is required to be posted, to what degree of transparency and who is responsible for providing and posting the information. Motion was seconded by Ted Fischer. Motion carried.

8. Elect Official for the Board

Kandy Unger submitted Intent to run for re-election for Treasurer.

Dan Heintz offered the re-election of Kandy Unger to the members in attendance. Discussion occurred regarding re-election by Kandy Unger. Dan offered re-election again. All were in favor. None opposed.

Motion was made by Ted Fischer to adjourn meeting and seconded by Penny Hampton, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Sagstetter

Secretary