

LAKE HELEN – Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District

2014 Annual Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 24, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. by Chairperson Melissa Ferg. Commissioners Kathy Grill, Mark Brandenburg and Robin Novak-Nelson were present. Commissioner Bill Pingel was absent.

A motion to waive the reading of last years annual meeting minutes was made by Cory Nelson. Vicky Brandenburg seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Grill Treasurer introduced the treasurer's report. As of April 26, 2014 there was a total balance of \$9,511.98 in the account. Tom Brown brought up the point that the budget shows a deficit in the checking account due to the \$5,000. EWM treatment cost. Kathy explained that as of the meeting the \$5,000 treatment cost was not due or payable yet so it will be carried over as an expense in the 2014-2015 budget. Ann Hvizdak mentioned that there maybe some grant money to help offset costs of the treatment and reminded volunteers who will be doing the water sampling after the treatment that was requested by the DNR, to keep track of their volunteer hours. Tom Brown made a motion to accept the report and Rob Hvizdak seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Ferg introduced Scott Provost, Water Resources Specialist-Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Scott explained to the members about the treatment plan scheduled for 8 am on Tuesday May 27, 2014 and encouraged questions about the treatment. Scott said that this herbicide would not harm fish or humans. He also stated that it is very important to put our efforts into prevention therefore if anyone is out on the lake and sees EWM they should take the time to pull it. Also continuing the Clean Boat Clean Water Program is very important. As per state regulations signs were posted around the lake and at the boat landing along with all members receiving a copy of the permit either mailed or delivered to their address by the district.

Chairperson Ferg notified the members that the district will be assessing a .05 mill rate for the next two years starting this 2014 calender year due to increasing lake costs and EWM treatment. For example purposes, a property with an assessed value of \$100,000. will be assessed a fee of \$50 annually. The total revenue to the district as per the Portage County Assessor and as stated on the budget will be \$6,283.55. This assessment will be re-evaluated in 2016 to see if there is a need to continue with the assessments.

Mark Brandenburg will be putting a banner at the boat landing stating that our lake supports a Catch and Release practice. Fish stocking is planned again in 2015 with most likely Perch and Black Crappie being re-stocked again. Mark stated that we will be putting slightly larger fish in this next time. Mark will be ordering some T-shirts, supporting Catch and Release for members to buy. If interested in purchasing a t-shirt please contact Mark.

Kathy Grill announced that her term of Commissioner is up as of this meeting and she is not interested in running again. The board asked for volunteers to the District. No volunteers where offered.

Cory Nelson made a motion to adjourn meeting and Micki Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Robin Novak-Nelson-Secretary

# 2014 Annual Meeting Notice

Lake Helen Protection &  
Rehabilitation District

Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 2014 @ 9:00 am  
Central Wisconsin Electric Coop - Hwy 49N  
10401 Lystul Rd - Rosholt

## AGENDA:

1. Sign In
2. Roll call of members

### OLD BUSINESS:

3. Minutes of last annual meeting
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Audit Committee Report

### NEW BUSINESS:

6. | **Scott Provost -WI DNR- EWM-Eurasian Water Milfoil Treatment**
7. **District Lake Assessment**
8. **Election of one Commissioner**
9. 2014 Lake Picnic -August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Noon to 4:00 pm.

### 2014-2015 Budget

10. Budget Approval
11. New Business

## Treasurer's Report and Proposed Budget

### Yearly Treasurer's Report 04/26/2014

Current Balances:	
	Checking \$6,766.01
	Savings \$2,745.97
	Total \$9,511.98

**Income:** May 2013-2014

Boat Launch	\$180.33
MM Interest	\$4.23
Total	\$184.56

**Expenses** May 2013-2014

Misc Office	\$185.52
Electric	\$1,287.00
Picnic	\$278.02
Grant	\$249.51
Permit	\$245.00
Total	\$2,245.05

### Proposed Budget 2014-2015

**Income**

Assessment	\$6,283.55
Boat Launch	\$50.00
Interest	\$4.00
Total	\$6,337.55

**Expenses**

Maintenance	\$1,000.00
Misc Office	\$1,000.00
Electric	\$1,500.00
Projects	\$2,500.00
EWM Treat	\$5,000.00
Total	\$11,000.00