

LAKE HELEN – Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District

Quarterly Commissioners Meeting

Held at 1:30 pm January 25, 2014

At 3040 E Lake Helen Drive Rosholt WI 54473

The Lake Helen P & R District organizational meeting was called to order by Chairman Melissa Ferg at 1:30 pm. Commissioners, Kathy Grill, Robin Novak- Nelson & Bill Pingel were present. Mark Brandenburg attended via phone. Other attendees included Steve Grill, Anne Hvizdak and Cory Nelson.

Kathy Grill read the treasurers report and report was approved.

A motion was made by Kathy Grill to pass the reading of the last meeting minutes. Melissa seconded motion and motion carried.

Melissa stated that the aerators were started the Sunday after the 2014 fishery and are working properly.

Melissa stated that she received a quote to professionally treat the EWM problem from Schmidt's Aquatic of Iola. The quote was for \$9454.80 and covers labor, chemical, permits and mobilization. Schmidt's Aquatic recommended the treatment in early spring before the plants start to grow. Kathy Grill noted that for contracts in excess of \$5000 the Board shall establish a formal bidding process and bring the full project to the Annual Meeting of the Lake Helen P & R District for approval. A discussion at the Commissioners meeting suggested we get two additional quotes for a total of three which Melissa will continue to work on and obtain. A special meeting in the near future to review the quotes may be necessary. Ann Hvizdak stated that the Rapid Response Grant that we are presently working on may help with some of these costs associated with the EWM.

Kathy Grill motioned with Melissa seconding the motion that the district instill a .5% tax assessment to cover future costs. Motion carried. Robin will contact Stephanie Stokes from Portage County Treasurers office to see how much the .5% assessment will generate. Bill Pingel noted that we should determine the initial EWM treatment costs along with the predicted ongoing costs and determine if an additional assessment will be needed that should be presented at the 2014 annual meeting.

Bill Pingel will add to our website Commissioners term lengths with expiration dates. A decision was made to put Robin into a one year term as secretary as opposed to a two year term thus rotating commissioners expiration dates. Kathy Grill's term expires 2014, Melissa and Robin expire 2015, Mark Brandenburg and Bill Pingel expire 2016. Bill also will add to the website that we are in desperate need of volunteers for the Clean Boat Clean Water program and need someone to take over Lee Moyer's Water Quality Monitoring. A recommendation made by Anne Hvizdak was to check with Kaycie from Golden Sands for students available to help staff the boat landing for the Clean Boat Clean Water program.

A second meeting is planned in the near future to take a look at the bids for the EWM treatment. A request will be made for Leigh Erickson and Scott Provst to attend the meeting for additional insight into the matter.

Kathy Grill made a motion to adjourn meeting. Melissa Ferg seconded motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 P. M.

Minutes submitted by,

Robin Novak-Nelson, Secretary