

Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm

Introduction of Randy Bradt, Minnesota DNR Waters Division

Randy discussed:

- waters usage and permits, irrigation, powerplants, etc.
- flood management
- shoreland management and enforcement
- lakeside landscaping including erosion control topics & ideas
- recommended contacting Rice County or University of Minnesota Extension Service for ravine control
- other possible contact from Randy concerning lake quality issues were Minnesota Pollution Control, Jeanine Vorland (DNR Wildlife) may have enzymes advice, Loren Clement – LeSeuer County – possible advice on grants for watershed management and advice on County Ditch #9
- online brochure available to provide guidance on changing lake water levels & ensuing lengthy discussion regarding dam & water level control
- county regulates vegetation control
- suggested contacting local legislators to voice concerns on funding clean water issues

Old Business: Approval of 10/8/07 Minutes

New Business:

- Review of mail receipts from Scott
- Acknowledged Jaguar Communications is behind schedule
- Bank balance update
- Motion approved to pay \$50 COLA dues
- Website – Scott stated the website was to be revamped to be more user friendly
- Bob Gilbertson will work on producing a member directory & discussed opt out options for email and phone numbers
- Nicole Lehman from Rice County Soil & Water Conservation is willing to assist in writing a lake management plan. She will work with Fred to compose. She was issued a copy of the French Lake plan and she agreed to attend next months meeting
- Fred gave verbal update on Tri-Lakes ravine erosion control funding and confirmed Tri-Lakes will match funds to \$3000, possible more if needed and quantified. Discussed funding options for ravine project, agreed to update 2008 membership dues to be billed in January 2008 but exact amount of dues tabled until December's monthly meeting
- Discussed hog feedlot proposals on the November 15th county meeting
- Discussed proposed wind farm ordinances & agreed the lake association has no official position on the topic
- Keith reviewed phone conversation with Hugh Valiant – Minnesota DNR Fisheries Manager – Circle lake has had some recent winterkills, new aerator appears to be functioning well but may take a few more years for the fish population to rebound, agreed to invite Hugh to a future monthly meeting

Motion to adjourn