



Meeting Minutes September 14, 2009

Board Member Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denise Boulay	<input type="checkbox"/> Keith Kluzak	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Gilbertson	<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Kohser	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rodger Kluzak	<input type="checkbox"/> Fred Wenthe	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Denise Klokow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pete Fettig	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Diana Lobo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Introduction

Meeting called to order at 7:00.

We did not have a quorum, so topics were discussed, but nothing was voted on.

Milfoil

Eurasian watermilfoil was found in Fox Lake, and we are all concerned about it coming over to Circle Lake.

Rodger will bring up the Milfoil issue at the next Tri-Lakes sportsman's Club meeting to see if they are aware of it, and to see if they are willing to help.

We should work together with Fox Lake and the DNR to address the issue. Joe Eisterhold (DNR Invasive Species Specialist) will be visiting Circle Lake on Wednesday 9/16 to survey a few parts of the lake. Keith will provide an update to the board via email when he has more information.

Denise K. will email Jennifer Mocol and ask if a water protection plan exists and what it is.

The draft of the 2009-2014 Rice County Local Water Management Plan can be found here:

<http://www.co.rice.mn.us/planning/documents/DraftLWMP.pdf>

Approval of June/July (Annual) and August meeting minutes

Rodger, Denise B., Keith, Bob and Fred gave approval via email. Denise K. will email the meeting minutes to Pete to review.

501(c)(3) – Denise K.

Pete suggested we look into whether the board members of a 501(c)(3) can we be authorized agents (not liable), and have a contractual president that we hire to represent us. Pete will investigate.

Directory – Bob

No update.

Treasury Update – Bob

No update.

Dam/Lake Level – Bob

No update.

Rock Marker Buoys – Denise B.

Denise B. offered to take this task from Denise K.

Rodger mentioned that the Seagulls were doing a good job of marking the rocks...if we could just get them to stay there... ☺

Boat Ramp – Keith

Rodger read the following update that he received from Keith:

I (Keith) visited with Joel Wager, DNR Trails and Waterways Manager. They are planning to improve the public boat ramp in two stages. First will come in late September where they will fix the buckling of the concrete ramp. The second phase will occur sometime in February when they will excavate a better launch pool. The planned excavation in February is about 35X50, large enough for a boat trailer to better submerge for loading and unloading purposes.

Joel mentioned the issue is from boat ramps being designed when customary watercraft were 16 foot boats with 20hp outboards many years ago. Now watercraft are much larger and draw more water. The boat ramps have not kept pace with the changing watercraft in use.

Joel also mentioned the state would entertain ideas to acquire a new access site if it provided for a better slope for a boat launch.

Additional Note from Keith:

I (Keith) left a message for Scott Moeller. He is an aquatic plant specialist Joel mentioned to me. I hope to visit with Scott to see if aquatic vegetation other than curly leaf pond weed could be established to help consume phosphorus and provide oxygen, two things that curly leaf does not do once it dies off in mid summer.

CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS

Fish Grates –

Tri-Lakes would like to install fish grates. We discussed that we need to be careful and not do anything that will worsen the situation of milfoil if we have it.

Newsletter Topics –

Possible topics include:

- Milfoil
- Fish Grates
- List the new board members (with positions)
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Lake Cleanup

Pete mentioned Prill Beads – possibly used on Lake Mead?

They are supposed to purify and alkalize the water.

More investigation is needed.

OLD BUSINESS

Ditch 9 project

No update.

Action: Fred to discuss watershed info with CRWP.

Annual Picnic 2010

No update.

New Lake Owners Survey

No update.

Action: Fred to investigate if we can do an online survey. Everyone to think about possible questions.

Update Contact Information (August)

No update:

Action: Keith will coordinate with Fred who will contact these organizations and provide our new contact information.

COLA, CRWP, Tri-Lakes, MPCA, DNR, Rice County

Add to SOP

SOP was updated to include the yearly cost for domain name registration.

Item closed.

Lake Management Plan

No update.

Action: Denise to draft a plan for review.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.