

LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES of 6-13-15

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mason, at 2:00 A.M. (later to cooperate with LLIA meeting)

A. <u>Attendance:</u> Present: Chairman Mason, Debbie Ferrari, Jack Sorenson, Don Sukala, Peter Van Kampen and Greg Wisniewski. Rick Callaway was absent and excused.

B. Agenda: The agenda was approved, on a Peter / Greg motion and passed unanimously as

amended.

C. <u>Minutes:</u> The minutes of 5/16/15 were approved, on a Debbie/Peter motion.

D. Discussion of the Water Safety Agreement between the Town of LaGrange and the District:

Debbie explained the executive summary that she prepared and the stated that she, Scott Mason and Russ Devitt have all reviewed the agreement and feel that the amendments are very good. Several of the changes are to change the target range of the patrol hours, make the agreement ongoing and adjust some of the insurance provisions. After discussion Peter made a motion which Greg seconded to give Debbie the authority to proceed with the finalization of the documents with the changes as presented, the motion passed unanimously.

- **E. Discussion on a position regarding short term rentals to Walworth County:** Chairman Mason explained that Walworth County currently does not allow rentals of homes for less than 30 days at a time. Don mentioned that it is on the agenda for discussion at the Town in July. Currently, the ordinance is not enforced unless there is a complaint. There are concerns for safety of the renters and nucense to permanent residents; do the properties meet fire / safety codes? After discussion Peter made a motion seconded by Greg to recommend to the County that we oppose short term rentals and promote the County enforcement of the rules already on the books, the motion passed unanimously.
- F. <u>Consider the Purchase of Property at the Golf Course</u>: Robert Reed owns a triangle of property at Country Club Drive and the entrance to the Golf Course. Chairman Mason stated that the seller would like to net \$700, the addition of the parcel helps to consolidate ownership in this area. After discussion a motion was made by Debbie and seconded by Greg to purchase the triangle of property the motion passed unanimously. There was additional discussion regarding the Bussa property in this same general location.
- **G.** Consider Document Retention Policy: Debbie explained that certain records should be maintained for 3 to 7 years and others indefinitely. She said she would send a policy for our future consideration.

H. **Project Reports:**

Town Report: Don stated that the Board of Review was held and no one showed up. He also stated that the Deacon Island Bridge needs to be replaced and Greg Wisniewski is helping with the planning and budget process.

Secretarial Report: Jack reported that he has taken custodial action in requesting that all requests under the Freedom of Information Act be received at the District address in writing.

Piers and Septic: Peter reported that the septic program is focusing more on older more marginal tanks. He is interviewing owners and may recommend more frequent inspections for certain tanks. He stated that as owners are informed of our purpose in protecting the environment they are receptive.

The pier inspections are going well. He has met with Andi and will do ground work to tighten regulations regarding the piers rules. For example the pier sizes may not consider T shape piers or L shape piers, so further consideration of the dimensions etc are in order. He would like to have tighter regulations on the books for 2016.

Water Patrol Report: Debbie has created a Boater Regulations handout. This is a trifold document to be handed to boaters at launch ramps and handed out by the Safety Patrol. It reviews important regulations and will serve to better inform boaters on Lauderdale Lakes of the rules. She stated that the District hired two new officers. There will be a large patrol presence on the Fourth of July weekend. Two of the officers gave the patrol report at the LLIA meeting and the report was very well received. Debbie also reported that the residents of Pleasant Lake have sent \$200 to the patrol as appreciation for their services.

Treasury: Debbie reported that the treasury is in good shape as we have taken in tax proceeds but not yet incurred a lot of expenses. Debbie has met with John at Chamberlain and is preparing the financials for the auditor. She reported that she has recently attended a Lake Management training class.

Weed Harvesting: Greg reported that the District received a five year permit for weed harvesting based upon the draft of the last weed report. The weed report will be finalized within a few months and the State is helping.

Clean Boats Clean Water: Greg reported that Connor Hamilton has been doing the work and doing a good job.

Dam: Jack reported that we have finished the Sterlingworth Bay area restoration and stabilization of the shore line. He also reported that Peter has made a contact to an engineer to help us determine the most appropriate way to make the improvements to the dam that the DNR is requesting. Peter stated that R.A. Smith will send us a proposal for their services.

Insurance: Jack reported that the LLLMD has been notified by the Wisconsin Property Insurance group that the property insurance program may end or incur substantial premium increases. We will get replacement quotes at the appropriate time.

Golf Course: Scott reported that the Golf Course is operating smoothly and is in good shape. Chairman Mason reported that we are working on tier two of the Audubon Cooperative Program for Golf Courses; it is a more holistic management process. He reported that there has been a request for information regarding the Golf Course and he is working with Chris to respond.

I. Other: Scott reported that the goose harvest is coming up and he asked if anyone knows areas where the geese stay.

The next meeting was scheduled for July 11, 2015 at 8:00 AM when we will be discussing the budget for 2016

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 A.M. on a motion made by Greg / Don; which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jack Sorenson, Secretary