

## LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES of 9-7-13

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mason, at 08:04 A.M.

A. <u>Attendance:</u> Present: Chairman Mason, Greg Wisniewski, Don Sukala, Rick Callaway, Nestor Dyhdalo, Jack Sorenson and Peter Van Kampen.

**B.** <u>Agenda:</u> The agenda of the September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District ("District") was approved on a Rick / Peter motion and passed unanimously.

C. <u>Approve Minutes:</u> Minutes from the 8/10/2013 meeting were approved as submitted on a Peter / Rick motion and passed unanimously.

## D. <u>Project Reports</u>:

Town of LaGrange: Don stated that the Town will be holding a Water Safety Meeting at 7:00 PM next Monday.

Water Patrol: Nestor reported that the Patrol will operate thru October. He announced the upcoming Lake District Safety meeting. There was only one Operating While under the influence this year.

Treasury: Nestor stated that we received the County tax proceeds last month. He stated that there are some properties not being properly taxed, he has turned this over to Russ for help. Nestor reported that the final audit report for 2012 has been received. He reviewed their suggestions. They recommend about \$200,000 in reserves (we now have about \$150,000) and Chairman Mason stated that that would help with cash flow as tax proceeds come in late in the year.

Pier Inspector: Peter stated that Rosco has made three applications and all is going well. There was a question regarding the proactivity of pier inspections, Peter stated that now we are primarily acting upon calls and applications.

Clean Boats CleanWater: Peter reported that the 2014 grant has been applied for. The payment system has been changed and we should get next year's funding early and last year's grant later.

Weed Harvesting: Greg reported that he is working at catching up and getting acclimated to the new job. He stated that he has revised the bank papers for his signature on the Weed Harvesting accounts.

Golf Course: Chairman Mason reported that the Golf Course was not open in March of this year, due to whether, but that annual rounds of play will be consistent with last year. He reported that the Golf Course has bought a used mower the old one was sold. Goose roundup:Approximately 32 birds were captured; there were badstorms during the round up.<br/>County:No report

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Dam: Jack stated that Brian will give us a proposal to design the shoreline improvements and stabilization of the south end of Sterlingworth Bay. This is to prevent further erosion and help with rodents etc. Jerry Petersen suggested keeping Fay at the County in the loop and of course the DNR will be involved in the permitting etc. Jack stated this is an inspection year for the dam the engineer will do the inspection.

**E.** <u>Consider New Officers of the Board</u>: After brief discussion a motion was made by Don and seconded by Rick to elect Scott Mason as Chairman, Nestor Dyhdalo as Treasurer and Jack Sorenson as Secretary of the Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District, the motion passed unanimously.

F. <u>Consider Lauderdale Aqua Skiers use of Wetlands</u>: Chairman Mason started this discussion by reviewing the history of the Lauderdale Aqua Skiers ("LAS") use of the wetland area and the support of team by the Lake District. He noted that it is very important that the LAS comply with all of the regulations and requirements of the Lake District on this property. Dawn (representing the Ski Team) asked if there has been communication about the use of the land with the LAS. Discussion ensued about allowed and disallowed activities this past year. Herb Sharpless explained the requirements and laws regarding the wetlands uses, zoning and conservation easements. The statement was made that one of the reasons for the purchase of the property was for the LAS continued use. There was more discussion about the changing wetland requirements and if the LAS had representation with the easements creation, a copy of an old agreement between the LAS and District was given to LAS. Chairman Mason explained the litigation and requirements around the access walks and how they have evolved over the last number of years and the requirements of the County.

In order to improve communication the agreement will be modified to have LAS attend a Lake District meeting once per year to renew the agreement. Additionally, it will be changed to disallow the LAS from any mowing or removal of any vegetation in the Wetlands area. The agreement will be put on the October agenda.

**G.** <u>**Golf Course Easement Update:**</u> Chairman Mason reviewed the history of the Golf Course easement. He stated that with the litigation on the boardwalks over the last several years we have been executing annual Memorandums of Understanding. We are now working at a more permanent easement document, which must comply with certain environmental protection criteria and allow our various recreational uses into the future. Jerry Petersen stated that he has now received feedback from Chairman Mason and the board and has made adjustments to our current version of the easement and sent it on to the attorneys for review. A question was asked about the termination to the agreement and Jerry responded how the MOU's had worked and now the easement will be held by a third party "Gathering Waters" in Madison Wisconsin. That conservation group will back up the integrity of the easements should the KMLT fail. He stated that the 2004

agreement should have been written into perpetuity, but amendments were needed after the legal challenges. He stated that the documents can be changed but the changes cannot decrease the conservation values.

**H.** <u>Update Terry Pier Application:</u> Chairman Mason reported that a date is being scheduled for a contested court hearing.

## I. <u>Other:</u>

Chairman Mason scheduled the next meeting for October 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:45 A.M. on a motion made by Greg and seconded by Don, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jack Sorenson, Secretary