

LAKE WAPOGASSET & BEAR TRAP LAKE SANITARY DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES – February 15, 2010

The February 2010 meeting of the LWBTL Sanitary District was called to order by President Dave Erspamer at 7:00 p.m. at the District office.

Present at the meeting was: Dave Erspamer, Commissioner-President, Mark Tryggestad, Commissioner-Treasurer and Bart Bergan, Commissioner. Employees present were Maintenance Operators Wendell Troff and Jerome Doolittle and Office Manager Julie Selle.

Minutes of the January 2010 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's report – User fees have been coming in with not quite half of the total amount planned being received in January. Repair expenses were actually in the negative due to reimbursement by the YMCA for expenses incurred in 2009. Fireworks donations are at just over \$5000. The accountant has the 2009 information and is in the process of doing the audit.

Operations report - Wendell reported that North Star Pump had just rebuilt another station (lift #10). There were also 3 other stations that needed to be worked on (3,4 & 7). Stations 4 & 7 had foreign debris in them which was causing pump malfunction. Fortunately this time, no pumps needed repairs. North Star said they are seeing similar problems in other towns. Discussion as to how to get people to understand what can be accepted by the system and what can't. Wendell said we may have to go with cleaning every station annually to try to keep the stuff out. Baskets could be installed but then would have to be emptied weekly. There are still 7 stations that need to be rebuilt.

A proposed offer to purchase the acreage to our west was received from the Byrnes Law Office. The commissioners reviewed the offer and found it to be in order. The District will pay the title work, surveying costs and our own legal fees. Proposed closing date is March 12. Mark moved to authorize Julie to be representative for the District at closing; second by Bart. All approved. Dave signed the offer and Julie will get it back to the law office as soon as possible.

Julie reported that she is about 2/3's thru with entering email addresses for property owners from info received from the Assn.

OLD BUSINESS

Curly leaf progress - The District has applied for a DNR grant to fund the research proposed by Steve Schieffer as to the impact the CLP has on internal loading. We received a confirmation letter back that they received the request and we will be notified in April of any award. Discussion about treating the areas already hit and any new areas. Decision was to not start any new areas.

Mgmt Plan submission – A letter needs to be sent to the DNR requesting approval of the management plan. Discussion of the areas that have a lot of runoff and need to prioritize where the need is greatest and what practices are feasible for results and funding. We have had contact with both the Cedar Lake District and the Deer Lake people about meeting to exchange information and ideas. Cedar Lake has a meeting on 2/27 to discuss the results of their first year lake study and they have invited us to attend. The Board discussed various parts of the implementation portion of the Plan. We will set up a meeting with a rep from Deer Lake in March. There is still a great need for more information so probably will not have a project ready to be submitted for the May DNR grant deadline. We will shoot for the next deadline which is believed to be September.

NEW BUSINESS

Mgmt Plan committee – The new management plan provides for a steering committee to determine priorities and strategies. Julie will contact the members of the advisory committee as to their interest in participating as they will be most familiar with the various portions of the plan. Mark mentioned that the education part of the plan is going to be the most difficult one to undertake. Presentation of what individual owners could/should do will be key to their participation. Mark had information on buffer zones and good quality soil provides a barrier to run off as well or better than the plantings. We will see what the interest is from the advisory committee people.

Next meeting date - Next meeting will be Monday, March 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Selle, Recording Secretary