

Commissioners:

Roger E. Walsh, Chairperson
James R. McGath
Mike Burns

Christopher C. Genthe, Treasurer
Joseph W. Spaeth

Paul Sacotte, Secretary
John W. Stern

Daniel W. Carroll, Operations Manager and Water Safety Patrol Chief

BIG CEDAR LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT MEETING
December 13, 2010, 7:00 PM
MINUTES

PRESENT: Roger Walsh, Chairman; Christopher Genthe, Treasurer; Paul Sacotte, Secretary; Joseph Spaeth; John Stern; Mike Burns (arrived 8:10); Daniel Carroll; Operations Manager and Water Safety Patrol Chief

ABSENT: James McGath

1. Pledge of allegiance and Roll Call

Chairman Roger Walsh led Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance. Paul Sacotte called the roll. Those present and absent were as listed above.

2. Approval of the minutes of the 10/20/10 meeting of the Commissioners and the 11/15/10 Meeting of the Finance Committee

Joe Spaeth moved to approve the minutes of the 10/20/10 meeting of the Commissioners and the 11/15/10 meeting of the Finance Committee. Paul Sacotte seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Ratification of the actions of the Finance Committee taken at its 11/15/10 Meeting

Paul Sacotte moved to ratify the action of the Finance Committee at the 11/15/10 meeting. John Stern seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Bills and Accounts

Chris Genthe moved for the approval of checks #7643 through #7649 and #7639. Paul Sacotte seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

5. Approval of purchases, leases, contracts, work orders or repairs whose cost exceeds \$500, including:

- **Approval of contract with Aquarius Systems for the purchase of an Aquatic Plant Harvester, a Shore Conveyor and Off-Road Trailer for the total amount of \$195,753.**

Chris Genthe moved to approve the contract with Aquarius for a new Aquatic Plant Harvester, a Shore Conveyor and Off-Road Trailer for the total amount of \$195,753. John Stern seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

6. Report on District Operations in general, including:

- **Report of the 2010-2011 Winter Water Safety Patrol Operations, Land Management Operations and other Winter Operations.**

Dan reported that winter patrol had not started but all equipment was ready. Dan also reported that all summer equipment was stored and winterized.

7. Review a proposed Ordinance containing various revisions to the District's Boating Ordinance, 93-1, as amended, approve submitting the proposed Ordinance to the WDNR for an advisory review and set a proposed date for a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance.

The Commissioners discussed the proposed ordinance changes. Roger Walsh agreed to make the revisions suggested at the meeting and send them to the Commissioners for their review and response. Chris Genthe moved to approve submitting the proposed Ordinance to the WDNR for an advisory review and setting May 12, 2011 as the date of a public hearing on the proposed Ordinance. Paul Sacotte seconded and the motion was approved unanimously

8. Discussion and approval of the Bluebird Restoration Society of Wisconsin request to establish a trail of 20-25 bluebird nesting boxes on 5-6 ft. poles on the old Nehm & Kletti Farms.

Paul Sacotte moved to approve the building and maintenance of 20-25 nesting boxes on the Nehm & Kletti farms by the Bluebird Restoration Society of Wisconsin, provided that the BRSW clean, maintain and repair the boxes. Chris Genthe seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

9. Discuss and approve not spending \$75,365 of the \$78,301 amount listed in the 2011 budget for weed harvesting equipment, since the District received a grant for \$75,365 from the Wisconsin Waterways Commission for this purpose, and to carry over this amount to the 2012 budget.

Chris Genthe moved to approve not spending \$75,365 of the \$78,301 amount listed in the 2011 budget for weed harvesting equipment, since the District received a grant for \$75,365 from the Wisconsin Waterways Commission for this purpose, and to carry over this \$75,365 to the 2012 budget. John Stern seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

10. Discuss and approve sending a letter to all owners of property in the District informing them that if they have an oversized pier or a pier with more boat slips than allowed that was in existence prior to February 1, 2004, they can have their piers grandfathered by registering their pier with the DNR on an appropriate form, and also informing them that although the 2010 tax bill indicates a 53.3% increase over the 2009 tax bill, all of which was related to the purchase of new weed harvesting equipment, the 2011 tax bills will indicate a substantial decrease since the District did obtain a grant for the equipment and will be carrying over to the 2012 budget an

Paul Sacotte moved to approve the sending a letter to the district property owners informing them of the above two items. John Stern requested that the letter also contain some information he would write concerning the new NR 115 relating to shoreland zoning matters. Chris Genthe seconded the motion, including the addition of the NR 115 material. Motion approved unanimously.

11. Other business. The January 2011 meeting will be a meeting of the Finance Committee only.

12. Motion to go into closed session pursuant to Sections 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of the District's employees. At the conclusion of the closed session, the Commissioners may vote to return to open session to take action on matters considered in the closed session.

John Stern moved to go into closed session. Joe Spaeth seconded the motion. Motioned carried with unanimous roll call vote. In the closed session, there was discussion of proposed wage increases for district personnel. Chris Genthe moved to adjourn closed session and return to open session. Paul Sacotte seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

13. Return to Open Session. Adjourn

Paul Sacotte moved to adjourn. John Stern seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Prepared and submitted by

Paul Sacotte, Secretary