

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
January 27, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, J. Bellante, R. Mohr

ABSENT: C. Kintop

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron, 2 citizens.

J. Bellante moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by P. Traskowski, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by P. Traskowski, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

No more information is available on the Wind Lake Dam. The board discussed the ownership of the dam vs the wingwalls. A letter should be sent to DNR, cc'd to the county, requesting a formal determination.

The shoreland zoning changes were discussed. More Information will be provided when available.

A meeting is coming up in April with the Town lake patrol. Commissioners were asked to advise of any issues that should be covered.

The county lake meeting will be held Jan 31, at 6:30 at the Norway Town Hall.

A list of the 2005 meeting dates was distributed. There is a conflict with the April date. K. Aron will check on room availability for Weds the 27th (preferred) or the 20th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

B. Konowalski thanked the board for allowing Waubeesee to take part in the goose roundup program. Blood work will not be required for their participation.

OLD BUSINESS

K. Aron discussed the lake plan update. The project is to be finished by the end of the year. Items still to be done include the community survey, plant survey, and sediment depth analysis. A volunteer with a boat is needed to provide the means for SEWRPC to conduct the on-lake work. A request will be added to the WLMD website.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the summary of the Big Muskego/Wind Lake problem. One item to be included in the summary is a way to correct the problem. The engineer's letter of comments to the Big Muskego Lake Plan may be sufficient in this area. K. Aron indicated that she expected the summary to take approximately 40 to 50 hours at \$40 per hour, as long as it could be worked in to the schedule and did not have to be completed immediately. The engineer would charge \$100 per hour to do this. R. Mohr moved, 2nd by P. Traskowski to have K. Aron create the summary. Motion carried.

The SEWRPC ground water/well water analysis project is going forward now that all the municipalities are taking part in the cost.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for February 24, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
February 24, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, J. Bellante, R. Mohr, C. Kintop

ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron, 2 citizens.

J. Bellante moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. P. Traskowski moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by J. Bellante, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

No more information is available on the Wind Lake Dam. The letter has been sent to DNR requesting a formal determination of ownership of Dam and wingwalls.

A grant application has been submitted for a one-year, small scale planning grant to assist with USGS sampling. Both the three-year and the small scale grant applications will be considered.

The Wisconsin Lakes Convention is in April, the 28 – 30th in Green Bay. J. Marks, R. Mohr, and K. Aron will attend.

A meeting is coming up in April with the Town lake patrol. Commissioners were asked to advise of any issues that should be covered.

A SE Wisc lake conference was held in Feb. at WCTC. K. Aron attended and brought back information on land trusts, grants, and other informational items.

The county lake meeting will be held Jan 31, at 6:30 at the Norway Town Hall.

The April WLMD meeting will be held WEDS, April 20 ,2005.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

K. Aron discussed the lake plan update. The request for volunteer(s) with a pontoon boat has been added to the website, but there has been no response yet. The community survey that was done in 1991 with the last lake plan was sent to SEWRPC. They will incorporate as much of it as possible for consistency.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Aron has started going through the files for the legal summary of Big Muskego/Wind Lake.

DNR asked if there was interest from the sod farm community about selling land for wetland restoration/wildlife areas. No one is aware of such an interest.

R. Mohr motioned, 2nd by P. Traskowski to approve the harvesting contract for 2005 and submit the required down payment, motion carried. The WLMD will request harvesting the week of June 20 or 27. C. Kintop asked that the WLMD send a letter to the Town of request use of the transfer site for disposal of the harvested plants.

J. Marks asked that a phosphorus-free fertilizer article be included in the next WLMD newsletter.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for March 24, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
March 24, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, J. Bellante, R. Mohr, C. Kintop

ABSENT: none

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron.

P. Traskowski moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by P. Traskowski, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

No more information is available on the Wind Lake Dam.

A one-year, small scale planning grant to assist with USGS sampling was awarded to WLMD.

The Wisconsin Lakes Convention is in April, the 28 – 30th in Green Bay. J. Marks, R. Mohr, and K. Aron will attend.

A meeting is coming up in April with the Town lake patrol. Commissioners were asked to advise of any issues that should be covered.

The county lake meeting will be held Mar 31, at 6:30 at the Norway Town Hall.

The April WLMD meeting will be held WEDS, April 20 ,2005.

A grant was submitted to DNR for the continuation of the Muskego canal shoreline project. It is unclear when we will know the status of the grant.

A draft to date of the Muskego/Wind Lake summary was distributed. Commissioners were asked to review the draft and provide comments, suggestions, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

K. Aron discussed the lake plan update. The request for volunteer(s) with a pontoon boat has been added to the website, but there has been no response yet. J. Bellante motioned to pay for gas for the volunteer, 2nd by C. Kintop., motion carried. A request for a volunteer will be in the next newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

The newsletter will be going out in April/May. Included will be the chemical treatment notice, goose notice, and request for volunteers.

J. Marks asked for a new update on the activity level on the WLMD website.

The county lake group was discussed. C. Kintop motioned to pay the first \$20 for postage, and supplies for the group. 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

P. Traskowski indicated he will not be able to attend the April 20th meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for April 20, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
May 26, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, C. Kintop

EXCUSED: J. Bellante

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron and 9 citizens.

P. Traskowski moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. P. Traskowski moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The question of ownership of the Wind Lake dam is still unresolved. The County can find no record that they accepted ownership, although they have operated and maintained it for years. They want to formalize the acceptance of the dam, but the question of what part(s) of the retaining walls are considered part of the dam. That determination will involve the Town, the County and the private landowner.

There has been no news yet on the grant to continue the canal shoreline work.

The county lake meeting will be held June 30, at 7:00 at the Norway Town Hall.

J. Marks indicated the draft legal summary appears to be complete and should be finalized. No other comments were received on the draft summary.

The goose roundup will take place in mid-June. R. Mohr reported on the goose repellent program. J. Marks motioned to continue the 50% subsidy for purchase of the repellent, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried.

K. Aron reported that the new lake patrol supervisor is now in place. The 2004 patrol report was reviewed. There is a property under an enforcement action by DNR. The landowner dredged and excavated his shoreline without a permit.

The website statistics were reviewed.

The blanket riprap permit was applied for in early May.

A landowner request was received about a problem with their shoreline and debris that came in during the winter.

Lake conference attendees discussed the various information received at the lake convention in Green Bay:

- Tax freezes – lakes vs agricultural

- Fisheries workshops, including discussions of stocking, tournaments, and diseases

- Algae, including toxic release, and new means of control

- Shoreland zoning rule changes in progress and pier rules

- Milfoil updates, and changes in aquatic plant management

- Shoreline buffers

- Goose repellents

- Water table problems

- DNR policy changes, and budget impacts

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shoreline debris and infilling problems at 7710 E Wind Lake, and 24321 and 24401 N Wind Lake were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

K. Aron discussed the lake plan update. The SEWRPC staff will be on the lake this summer reviewing shoreline stabilization, potential dredging areas, aquatic plants, life of past dredging projects, lake use, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

A question was raised about programs for youth on lakes. Little Muskego has provided that service to the Muskego Norway School District.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for June 23, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
June 23, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, C. Kintop, J. Bellante
ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron, 3 citizens.

J. Bellante moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. C. Kintop moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by J. Bellante, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The question of ownership of the Wind Lake dam is still unresolved. The County can find no record that they accepted ownership, although they have operated and maintained it for years. They want to formalize the acceptance of the dam, but the question of what part(s) of the retaining walls are considered part of the dam. That determination will involve the Town, the County and the private landowner.

There has been no news yet on the grant to continue the canal shoreline work.

The county lake meeting will be held June 30, at 7:00 at the Norway Town Hall.

The goose roundup will take place June 30. R. Mohr reported on the goose repellent program. He is using a higher percent chemical and it appears to have made a difference.

Harvesting will take place the week of June 27. Chemical treatments have been done. Filamentous algae is a problem this year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A landowner discussed the weeds, and treatments, and lake plan update.

OLD BUSINESS

K. Aron discussed the lake plan update. The SEWRPC staff will be on the lake this summer reviewing shoreline stabilization, potential dredging areas, aquatic plants, life of past dredging projects, lake use, etc. SEWRPC was going to use a local boat, but it is apparently not in the lake. J. Marks moved to rent a boat, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. K. Aron was asked to contact businesses to rent a boat to use for the on-lake work. The board reviewed the proposed survey for the residents, made some modifications. K. Aron will get the changes to SEWRPC.

The pontoon classrooms on Tichigan and Little Muskego were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

The blanket permit was discussed. K. Aron informed the board that the permit has been very difficult to obtain this year. It took almost 2 months to get it. The board will consider other options.

There have been problems at the Wind Lake boat launch. Bow fisherman have been putting carp into the dumpster when they leave the lake at night. The carp then sit in the dumpster for a week. The smell is awful. Another problem has been people fishing from the new pier and not yielding to boaters. This has made it very difficult to use the boat launch. The pier is also too short to be of much use for larger boats. K. Aron will contact DNR and ask them to remedy the situation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for July 28, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
July 28, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, C. Kintop, J. Bellante
ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron

J. Bellante moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. P. Traskowski moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The question of ownership of the Wind Lake dam is still unresolved.

There has been no news yet on the grant to continue the canal shoreline work.

The county lake meeting was held June 30, at 7:00 at the Norway Town Hall. The group is asking for ideas on a name and plans to develop a mission statement at the next meeting. Each lake presented their priorities for their lake, including purple loosestrife control to weeds, to phosphorus-free fertilizer.

The goose roundup took place June 30. 104 geese were removed. There have been no further goose sightings.

Harvesting took place the week of June 27, however, there were no weeds to the surface to remove. J.

Marks negotiated a settlement on the contract. The contractor will come out later in the year at a reduced rate if needed. Chemical treatments have been done. Filamentous algae is a problem this year.

The lake level is low and continuing to drop. This is increasing the weed and algae problems as the water temperatures are increasing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

The board reported that no one has received the SEWRPC community survey. K. Aron will check with SEWRPC. The SEWRPC staff is on the lake now reviewing shoreline stabilization, potential dredging areas, aquatic plants, life of past dredging projects, lake use, etc. K. Aron reported that none of the local businesses were willing to rent a boat for the survey work. However, Bill Drahonovski got his boat in the water and is volunteering his time and boat to assist with the on-lake work.

The boat launch odor problem is supposed to be resolved. DNR has asked that the dumpster be replaced and the night-time anglers have been asked to refrain from putting fish in the dumpster. The shoreline has been stabilized with rock riprap.

NEW BUSINESS

The proposed budget was reviewed and discussed. R. Mohr moved to accept the proposal, second by P. Traskowski, motion carried. K. Aron will finish the agenda and annual meeting notice. Procedures for handling requests from the floor at the annual meeting were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for August 25, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
August 25, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, C. Kintop

EXCUSED: J. Bellante

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron

R. Mohr moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by C. Kintop, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. C. Kintop moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Wind Lake dam issues have not yet been resolved. Calls and emails to DNR staff have gone unanswered.

The canal shoreline work grant has been awarded. The paperwork has not been completed, but we do have a commitment from DNR to conduct the project.

The police report for the lake patrol was reviewed.

A county lake meeting will be Sept 30, 2005 at the Norway Town Hall. Meetings will continue to be held approximately 4 times a year.

DNR conducted a swan-removal project on Wind Lake. The District learned of the removal after a resident called and reported someone shooting swans. The District advised the landowner to contact DNR to report the activity. We then received a call from DNR. DNR has been advised to alert us PRIOR to conducting such activities.

DNR would like one or two volunteers to help do plantings at the Wind Lake boat launch. The work is scheduled for October 6.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

The community survey has been distributed by SEWRPC. The plan update is supposed to be completed by the end of the year. SEWRPC has been asked to attend the annual meeting to give an update on the progress.

Hearings on NR 115 rule revisions have been completed and comments are being considered by DNR. There is expected to be great opposition to the proposed rules. Racine County has put together a comprehensive list of arguments and problems with the rule. The local legislators are proposing to hold a couple of listening sessions in the county to solicit input. More to come later as the rule proceeds through the legislative process.

The annual meeting notice has been mailed, but there have been problems with delivery. We may need to consider using first class mail for future annual meeting notices.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the idea of a coalition of groups to pursue legislative changes that will provide more flexibility for groups undertaking milfoil control. Groups are finding much opposition from DNR for large treatments, especially whole-lake treatments. There may be a request to assist with financial support for the development of legislation and a lobbyist.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for August 25, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
September 15, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 8:50 pm following the Annual Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, C. Kintop, J. Bellant
ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron

R. Mohr indicated that \$100,000 was moved into a CD for 7 months at 3.86%.

The board discussed positions following the annual meeting vote.

P. Traskowski moved to have the officers remain in the current positions: J. Marks, chair, R. Mohr, treasurer, P. Traskowski, secretary. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for October 27, 2005.

Minutes
Wind Lake Management District Board of Commissioner Meeting
Dec 1, 2005

Jim Marks called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Marks, P. Traskowski, R. Mohr, J. Bellante

ABSENT: C. Kintop

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Aron and 1 citizen

P. Traskowski moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by R. Mohr, motion carried. R. Mohr presented the treasurers report. J. Bellante moved to accept the treasurers report, 2nd by P. Traskowski, motion carried.

INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

The canal shoreline work grant has been awarded. The paperwork has not been completed, but we do have a commitment from DNR to conduct the project.

The next county lake meeting will be January 30, 2005 at the Norway Town Hall. Meetings will continue to be held approximately 4 times a year.

J. Marks reported that Big Muskego was approximately 6 inches below normal going into the winter.

A response was received regarding our request for postage refund for the annual meeting mailing. Our refund was denied.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

The discussion on the Big Muskego summary did not take place because the attorney could not attend this meeting. He will attend the January meeting.

The community survey results were provided by SEWRPC. The response rate was not very good. Only 20%, 160 responses of 842 mailed, returned the survey and provided their input. Survey results were reviewed by the commissioners. A number of the comments received concern issues that are not under the jurisdiction of the lake district. K. Aron indicated that the same was true for Waubeesee's community survey results. J. Marks suggested covering some of those topics in the next newsletters.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the goose control project, and the impact of Wind Lakes' control efforts on Waubeesee Lake. It is likely that geese move between the two lakes frequently and therefore the results of our activities are shared with Waubeesee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next board meeting of the WLMD is scheduled for February 23, 2006.