

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 11, 2010

Board members present: Robyn Morin, George Brewes, Dick Lamers, Ted DeZurik, Dick Rueckl, Diane Bassett, Russ Ziebell, Lynn Englehorn, and Ted Ludwig, and Justin Kemp.

Guests present: 4

- I. The board meeting was called to order by Robyn at 7:04p.m. She introduced Mark Mosey from the Colfax School District. Mark updated us on the status of the erosion control project on the Red Cedar River. The Board agreed to continue assistance in this project and will consider financial assistance to the grant match funding.
- II. A motion to approve the February minutes was made by Dick R., seconded by Dick L. Motion carried.
- III. Dick R. presented the Treasurer's report. Motion to approve by Diane, seconded by Ted L., motion carried.
- IV. Robyn reported that the Menomonie mayor has met with the Governor and DNR officials and is working on the algae problem. Justin will provide an article for the newsletter on the Wolske Bay project.
- V. Diane reported no news from the Town of Tainter.
- VI. Robyn reported we have the Tainter Town Hall for the Annual Meeting on July 31st. Paul La Liberte will attend to update us on the TMDL. Russ wants to make it an effort to increase membership and the board agreed.
- VII. Robyn stated that Russ Kashian of UW-Whitewater will be coming on May 24th to discuss the Economic Study. Discussion was held on who should meet with him. Meetings will be setup with local leaders and the Board on the 24th. Several things within the contract will have to be discussed and resolved.
- VIII. Proposed amendments to the By-Laws were discussed. Votes were held on each and the attached amendments (Attachment 1) will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting for adoption. The proposal will be published in the newsletter.
- IX. Ted L. gave an overview of the Freshwater Phytoplankton Monitoring Network. This is a pilot project of the NOAA that is taking place on six sites in Wisconsin and Minnesota. There are five people trained who will be monitoring 7 sites on the two local lakes and entering data in a national database. This will be a weekly effort during the period the water is not frozen over.
- X. Robyn reminded us that the newsletter deadline is May 15th. Board members have or will get articles in.
- XI. Items tabled from April will be tabled until June.
 - Communication policy
 - Committee descriptions
 - Donation of Jerry Bowker pictures
- XII. Committee Reports:
 - Education – George reported everything should be setup for the 4th of July. The booth is reserved and he will work up a sign up sheet. The booth will be open from 10 to 2.

Environmental - Lynn reported on the Colfax school project, the permit for Wolske Bay has been applied for, the buoys are in, CBCW is being set up, and stream and lake monitoring are underway.

Financial – Dick R. reported one of the CD's came due and rolled over.

Membership – Russ handed out the pamphlet that was created. He had 200 copies printed but will have more done on better paper. He suggested we consider using this as a mailer to lake residents that are not members. He will work on this.

Nominating – Robyn, Dick L., and George will serve as members.

Clean the Green – not present

Strategic – nothing to report

XIII. Robyn reported that Melanie and Paul La Liberte worked last month on a grant to fund the Coordinator position which was due by May 1st. No information on the Grant Township project.

XIV. Robyn requested approval to submit a letter of support requested by Scott McGovern for a grant submission of a phosphorous pollution project on Lake Menomin. The letter was approved with some changes.

XV. Lois Flis presented several question to the Board. These were answered and her offer of pictures to use at the 4th of July was accepted.

XIV. Motion to adjourn by Ted L., seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

ATTACHMENT 1

The following amendments are proposed to the By-Laws of the Tainter/Menomoin Lake Improvement Association, Inc. These proposals are the recommendations of the Board of Directors at the May 11th meeting.

Proposed:

1.

Article II. Add new paragraph:

4. All voting members of the Board of Directors and committees, including Ad Hoc committees, shall be Association members. The appointed City of Menomonie and the Town of Tainter board members are granted membership for the period of their appointment.

Comment: Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 181.0802 states: “A director need not be a resident of this state or a member of the corporation unless the article of incorporation or bylaws so prescribe.” Approving this amendment would assure the decision-making within the Association would be made by those that have a commitment to the Association.

2.

Article VI, Para. 4. Add the sentence “A board member shall not serve more than three (3) consecutive two (2) year terms.

Comment: This establishes term limits and is recommended to bring fresh input to the leadership of the Association.

3.

Article VII, Para. 1. In second line delete “and members”.

Comment: This would allow the committee chairperson to select the members of the committee.

4.

Article VIII, Para. 1. In second line delete “, appointed by the president”.

Comment: Redundant and conflicting if #3 is approved.