

PHANTOM LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING

December 27, 2007  
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Approved Minutes

Steve Todd, chairperson, called the meeting of the Phantom Lakes Management District to order at 7:02 p.m. Other Commissioners in attendance were Greg Blohm, Carol Fait, Waukesha County Representative Karen McNelly, and Town of Mukwonago Representative David Dubey. Grace Graham and Steve Verduyn were excused. There was one resident present.

S. Todd acknowledged that the meeting was properly noticed.

**Open Forum** – There was none.

**Announcements & Correspondence** – The Wisconsin Wetlands Association's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference will be held January 31<sup>st</sup> & February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Olympia Center in Oconomowoc.

G. Blohm reviewed the Platform for a Strong Lakes Compact and thought it might be something the PLMD would like to support. The Board felt conservation of not just our own water but other bodies of water is important and will be further discussed at the next meeting.

**Secretary's Report** – G. Blohm made a **Motion** to approve the minutes from the regular monthly meeting on November 29, 2007; second by C. Fait, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – S. Todd summarized the Treasurer's Report. S. Todd met with Badgerland and the previous work had been authorized. We are still having problems with the tail lights that were previously installed and Badgerland is willing to correct the problem. G. Blohm made a **Motion** to pay the Badgerland Truck Repair bill, upon verification from Bob Pakulski and S. Todd that the tail lights are working properly, second by C. Fait, motion carried. S. Todd made a **Motion** to move budgeted funds within 2007 Administrative Expenses; \$11.90 from Miscellaneous into Newspaper-Legal. Second by G. Blohm, motion carried with all five Board members present in favor and none opposed. K. McNelly made a **Motion** to move funds within the 2007 Budget allowing \$1,154.95 to be moved from Other Expenses – Fish Stocking into Harvesting Expenses – Repairs and Maintenance. Second by G. Blohm, motion carried with all five Board members present in favor and none opposed. K. McNelly made a **Motion** to pay \$1.00 to the Phantom Lake YMCA Camp for the annual lease of the land for the PLMD's building. Second by D. Dubey, motion carried. S. Todd made a **Motion** to approve and pay the bills, second by C. Fait, motion carried. Total bills to be paid were \$1,570.21.

**Well Update** – S. Todd commented that he is attending the January 7<sup>th</sup> Mukwonago Public Works meeting to present concerns of the residents who will be near the new Municipal Well and their need for a well guarantee. Also the DNR is requesting another pump test. S. Todd hoped that the company that did the previous testing would be willing to do a monitoring well and a new pump test for free considering two of their test wells were not able to be used due to faulty construction.

**Harvesting Operations** – After conversation with Bob Pakulski, S. Todd looked at a truck that Mr. Pakulski had found. The truck looks like a possibility and further investigation into what changes may have to be made to the bed on the truck, costs, etc. will be done and discussed at a future meeting. Bob Pakulski will present to the Board necessary repairs needed to the harvester before next year's harvesting season. All other harvester repairs will be saved and submitted with our grant application to refurbish the harvester.

**Spring Monitoring Update** – P. Kumlien summarized what the results from the last 34 months of monitoring have shown. We now have a mathematical average of each spring over almost a 3 year time span. Upon initial review of the results, it could be taking up to a year for the effects from rainfall to show up in the spring monitoring results. A rainfall overlay will be done as to see if we can get a more accurate reading of how long it takes for changes in our rainfall to have an effect on the springs. The Board agreed this data will be useful in years to come. K. McNelly suggested using weather data from 2-5 years prior and to consult with Robert Biebel (SEWRPC Engineer), Ken Bradbury (Hydrologist), or Jean Bahr (Hydrologist) as to how the weather has impacted the groundwater with other studies within this region. G. Blohm has offered to go with Mr. Kumlien and get GPS readings on the springs.

**Legislative Update** – S. Todd and K. McNelly may attend the Natural Resources Board meeting to show our support when the topic of designating the Mukwonago River as a exceptional and outstanding water resource will be discussed.

**Slow-No Wake Flooding Ordinance** – D. Dubey stated that once the PLMD has put together an ordinance that would be suitable, the Town of Mukwonago Board will review it and consider putting it into action.

#### **New Business**

**Wisconsin Mercury Reduction** – The Wisconsin Environmental Organization asked the PLMD to consider joining a group of other organizations that are in support of a 90% reduction of mercury pollution from coal-fired power plants by 2012. The Board discussed what the cost would be to the public and the effects that mercury pollution can have on the public. G. Blohm made a **Motion** that the PLMD signs on with the other organization in the support of a 90% reduction of mercury pollution from coal-fired power plants by 2012. Second by K. McNelly, motion carried. C. Fait commented on testing the fish in the Phantom Lakes for mercury, in which the Board thought would be good idea. C. Fait will follow up with the DNR and see what the cost would be to have testing done and if any prior testing has been done on the lake.

**Conservation Lobby Day 2008** – S. Todd stated conservation lobby day will be held on January 30, 2008. The three main topics of conversation will be the Great Lakes Compact, Restore Conservation Integrity, and Stop Global Warming. Senator Neil Kedzie will be contacted to find out if there have been any new updates since his last appearance at the September meeting.

**Dam Shoreline Stabilization Project** – The Village of Mukwonago has approved in their 2008 budget to have the work done along the shoreline by the dam. The Board discussed if there were any other known areas of erosion along the Mukwonago River. K. McNelly and S. Todd stated there may be some areas by Hwy I and by Rainbow Springs. In spring, the river should be toured looking for areas that may need some preventative measures done to prevent further erosion.

At 8:45pm, K. McNelly moved to adjourn, second by D. Dubey, motion carried.

**Next Meeting – The board will meet Thursday, January 24, 2008 at the Mukwonago Town Hall at 7:00pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Gina Krause  
Treasurer/Secretary Assistant