

Spring Brook Watershed Lake Management District Minutes 2-1-10

Chairman Kincaid called the meeting of February 1, 2010 to order as posted and mailed out to District members January 30, 2010 and everyone said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Doug Kincaid, Mike Samarzja, Greg McLain, and Peter Topczewski and.

Others present included district members Jim Pettey and Frank Gaszak.

Items for Discussion and Action by the Board:

Announcements: None.

Correspondence: None

Secretary's Report: Greg M.

- Read the meeting minutes from the SBLMD annual meeting.
- Motion by Peter T to accept. Mike S seconded the motion.
- Motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Mike S.

- Mike discussed the current income and balance statement
- Mike reported that The Horton Group issued SBWLMD a "Public Entity Insurance" rebate check for \$629. The funds were deposited into the general fund account.
- A motion was made, seconded and approved to reimburse Greg M for two caution replacement signs for the tin whistle.
- Mike reported that our CDs will mature very soon. He will likely roll them over again. While.
- A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the treasurer's report.

Discussion of Dam Activity: Greg M.

- Greg and Bethany McLain repaired the fence surrounding the tin whistle
- Greg and Bethany also replaced the "Danger" signs with yellow "Caution" signs.
 - It was noted by Peter to contact the insurance company with respect to the type of sign and the legal requirements thereof.
- Greg M partially blocked off the water flow through the tin whistle and inspected it for structural integrity, blockage and debris. He reported that it all looked like it was in good shape.
- A work party will be scheduled in early spring to repair the muskrat damage along the dam.
- Greg also mentioned that the Board needs to discuss the use of motorized vehicles on the dam. Jim McNelly noted that the dam's grass is getting sparse. He believes that motorized vehicles could be contributing to the problem. He also found a piece of a snowmobile windshield. Besides the terrain problems, the use of motorized vehicles could also be an insurance liability issue. Doug K mentioned that he will keep this in

mind for his guests, but also noted that some traffic comes from the south side of the dam.

- Doug suggested that Canada Geese also contribute to the loss of grass on the dam. They eat the grass and the weed population takes over.
- Jim McNelly and Greg M noticed that the outlet pipe was submerged (east of the lake, in the marsh area). An investigation found that beaver had built a dam on the stream that heads towards Road X. Jim applied for and received a permit to trap the beaver. In late December, Jim and Greg caught one muskrat and one beaver. After that, no beaver activity was observed. Greg and Jim removed parts of the beaver dam and the water level in the marsh dropped as much as 12”.

Next meeting date:

- Is tentatively scheduled for Monday, April 12th at 7pm at Mukwonago Town Hall.
 - Topics for discussion include
 - Work party date to repair muskrat damage
 - Noxious weed control on the dam
 - Ideas to promote grass growth on the dam.

Adjournment:

- Peter T made a motion to adjourn at 7:25pm. It was seconded by Doug and was unanimously approved.

Greg McLain

Secretary

Date Approved: _____