

COCHRAM LAKE DISTRICT MEETING

March 8, 2003

ATTENDEES: Board Members – Karen Boyle, Rick Schwai, County Rep. Butch Lobermeir, Town Chairman Doug Noetzel.

ABSENTEES: Carlene Bauer

LOCATION: Pike Lake Fire Station

DATE/TIME: 3/8/03 – 9:00AM

ADMINISTRATION:

- Minutes from the October meeting were not read.

Financial Report

Rick reported the following

- Budget has a balance of \$7,218.51
- Good financial shape and no need to impose a fee this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Plant Inventory

Stan reported the following

- Someone from the DNR will come out probably in July to help identify plants

Adopt a Highway

No report given

Directory

Mary reported the following

- The new directories have a target date to be ready for the May meeting.
- Send, call, or e-mail Mary with any changes by May 1.
- Let her know your e-mail address if you have one. This is very helpful.

Fishery

Stan reported for Frank the following

- Frank is planning to apply for a walleye stocking permit
- Lots of Northern in the 12-20 inch range.
- Bluegills are hitting good.
- Ice is 30-36 inches thick

Public Relations

Mary Hartung will contact the realtors that are handling the sale of Tom and Carmin Murray's property to inform them of the by-laws and covenants for the lake.

Water Quality

George reported the following

- Plans on taking water sample in 6 weeks
- Received the report back from Stevens Point and reported the following
 - Phosphates has changed – below 6 (more acidic) Phosphates had been running 7.5
- Sulfates have changed to 1.5 million per liter to over 5.0

George suspects that the results are in error.

Old Business

- Boat Landing Culvert
 - This has not been fixed yet. Should be fixed in spring once the thaw is done. Doug Noetzel will follow up on this.
- Boat Landing Pier
 - Stan gave the following report
 - Estimated cost is \$450-\$500
 - Dock would be approximately 20 feet long 4 feet wide
 - Wood will be arsenic free and heavy duty
 - Utilizing metal pipes so it can be adjusted
 - Dock will stay in year round
- Fish Cribs
 - Application is filed and have not received approval
 - Cribs do not need to be built in winter
 - Can also be built in warm weather and moved into position.
 - Project on hold until Frank returns
- Dry Hydrant Proposal
 - Item on hold until we can follow up with Frank.
 - Concerns about how this would affect the lake level.
 - Butch thought that this would need approval from DNR
 - May need soil tests.
 - Dredge 10 feet deep and would that draw water from the lake to Springstead Creek
 - Dry hydrant would be very nice
 - Butch also mentioned that another option we should explore is to bury a 10,000 gallon tank below the frost level in a centralized location. Butch will get cost info and give this to Karen.
 - Plan on more clarification and discussion at the May meeting
- DOT
 - DNR trying to change the amount from 50 to 75 gallons per registered boat in WI to divert from DOT. This would provide more funds for lakes versus DOT use.
- **NEW BUSINESS**
 - Karen received complaints about snowmobile speeds on the lake along with noise and having them disturb the wildlife
 - ATV Survey
 - Need to make Cy's a trail
 - Towns are not allowed to make a road an access to a route. However a town can make it a route.
 - Doug reported that survey responses are running 3-1 in favor
 - Typical speed on an ATV is 15-20 MPH
 - ATV routes legally must follow the speed limits posted for cars
 - Doug plans to put on the town agenda for 3/25/03

Next Meeting

Annual Meeting is May 24th 2003
Pike Lake Fire Station

COCHRAN LAKE DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

May 24,2003

ATTENDEES: Board Members – Karen Boyle, Rick Schwai, Carlene Bauer, Town Chairman Doug Noetzel, and 42 Lake District Members

ABSENTEES: County Rep. Butch Lobermeir, Fire Chief Manny Stein, and Town Supervisor Jack Wierzba

LOCATION: Pike Lake Fire Station

DATE/TIME: 5/24/03 – 1:00 PM

ADMINISTRATION:

- Linda Tiry provided an overview on the product MELALEUCA. These are household products that are non-toxic. For more information on this call Linda at 877-427-5543 or tiry@iglide.net. Linda will rebate the Lake District 7% of any sale.
- Minutes from the March meeting were not read.

Financial Report

Rick reported the following:

- Balance of \$7,218.51
- No need for any assessment again this year.

TOWN REPORT:

Doug Noetzel reported the following

- Smart Growth overview was presented along with information on grant money that is available
- Culvert on Cy's Drive was replaced
- Residents indicated that they would rather not see gravel that was used to fix part of Cy's Drive on all of Cy's Drive. Doug will have Ted put together a cost proposal to see what the cost of paving Cy's Drive would be.
- Forest Road 144 is on the list for paving but not until 2004 or 2005. The Forest Service would do the work.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Adopt a Highway

Greg reported the following

- 4 people did the spring cleanup.
- October will be the next time.
- This event takes about 1-1½ hours.

Directory

Mary reported the following

- They are printed
- Corrections will be available at the web site.

Fishery

Frank reported the following

- Take out the Bluegills and Northern too many in the lake.
- No white suckers this spring in Frank's pond
- DNR will shock the lake May 29th at 9:30, shocking results will be on the website.
- DNR said no to stocking walleye or suckers

Lake Plants

Stan reported the following

- Possible dates for the plant inventory with Sandy Wickman are June 23, July 30, and August 13.
- A booklet will be made with all the findings
- Pat Schwai, Carl Schmelzer volunteered to help
- Fish cribs might not be needed pending the plant inventory

Public Relations

Mary reported new owners on Lots 49&50

Water Quality

George reported the following

- Last Fall – Quality good, clarity down a little, color a little darker possibly due to the weeds
- PH level is normal
- Lack of snow could be causing more weed growth

New Business

- Karen will look at purpose in the by-laws to write the mission statement
- Will look into whether the district needs insurance because of the pier
- Will join the Price County Lake Association/District – Cost of \$10.00
- Dry Hydrant – Karen will talk to Manny about this issue
- Mary Kaminski will replace out going Treasurer Rick Schwai
- 10 more lakes have zebra mussels
 - Signage will be installed at the landing to remind people to check their boats and trailers.
 - A locked chain will be added to the boat landing to keep non-owners out.

If any changes need to be made to the directory please send them to gbbauers1@juno.com

Next Meeting July 5th 9:00
Pike Lake Fire Station

COCHRAN LAKE DISTRICT MEETING
July 5, 2003

ATTENDEES: Board Members – Karen Boyle, Carlene Bauer, Mary Kaminski, and 20 Lake District Members

ABSENTEES: County Rep. Butch Lobermeir, Fire Chief Manny Stein, Town Supervisor Jack Wierzba, and Town Chairman Doug Noetzel

LOCATION: Pike Lake Fire Station

DATE/TIME: 7/5/03 – 9:00 AM

ADMINISTRATION:

- Minutes from the annual meeting were read and approved

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mary reported the following:

- Balance of \$6,465.60
- WAL – membership was approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Adopt a Highway

Greg reported the following

- Ray and Judy Schave will help at the October clean-up
- Next clean-up will be the beginning of October need 4-6 more people to help
- Contact Greg Yorton if you can help

Directory

Mary reported the following

- Any corrections have been posted on the website
- Using more e-mail addresses for Lake District mailings to reduce the cost of postage

Fishery

Frank reported the following

- Lake was shocked on May 29th
 - No improvement found
 - Pulled 293 fish per hour
 - Bass was 15.8 inches
 - Northern was 40 inches
 - Recommend the following:
 - Take out Bluegills and Sunfish
 - Take Bass out that are 11-14 inches
 - DNR recommends to take out all Northern

Lake Plants

Stan reported the following

- Monday July 28th at 9:30 Sandy Wickman will come out and do the plant inventory
 - Carl Schmelzer will provide the boat
 - Peter Franzen will help with this event
 - Booklet will be made with the plants
 - Lake will be mapped out
- Plants are starting to boom
- Signage will be added to check boat and trailer before launching

Public Relations

Mary reported the following

- New owners on Lot 60
 - Minutes and directory were mailed to them

Water Quality

George reported the following

- PH level is normal
- Phosphates is up slightly
 - Could be up because of runoff, ground water, lawn fertilizer
- With septic systems buy phosphate free products
- Clarity is 13-14 feet

New Business

District Liability Insurance

- Karen will continue to look into this issue
 - What are our risks
 - What about higher deductible
 - Pike Lake has insurance at a cost of \$950.00 per year
 - If a gate would be added with a lock would that change our risk

Next Meeting

October 25, 2003 9:00 at Pike Lake Fire Station

The trail period of ATV's will continue through September.

Please remember the following when riding

- Riders are instructed to go no more than 10 mph
- Ride only between the hours of 9-9
- Can only use residents ATV's
- Cy's Drive is used to access the route not to ride up and down
- Figi Road access from Cy's Drive is private and should not be driven on
- Please be courteous and respectful when riding

COCHRAN LAKE DISTRICT MEETING
October 25, 2003

ATTENDEES: Board Members – Karen Boyle, Carlene Bauer, Mary Kaminski, County Rep. Butch Lobermeir, Fire Chief Manny Stein, Town Chairman Doug Noetzel, 13 Land Owners and Fidelity Insurance Rep. Wendy Bjork

ABSENTEES: Town Supervisor Jack Wierzba

LOCATION: Pike Lake Fire Station

DATE/TIME: 10/25/03 – 9:00 AM

ADMINISTRATION:

- Minutes from the annual meeting were read and approved

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mary reported the following:

- \$6,297.31

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Wendy Bjork – Fidelity Insurance

Wendy gave an overview of two different policies the Lake District will continue to review

Adopt a Highway

Greg reported the following:

- 6 Families helped with the fall clean-up
- Greg recommended only a spring clean-up

Fishery

Frank reported the following

- Productivity is down
- Stan Kaminski caught a Walleye 2 weeks ago
- Bass population has come down
- Bluegills are getting smaller
- Northern are getting bigger
- Crappies are getting stunted
- Will shock the lake again next year
- Frank will check on stocking walleyes

Plants

Stan reported the following

- No exotics were found
- Book is being put together

- Lake map will show were the plants
- Plants are very healthy
- Looking for help with a grid map
- Fish cribs might not be needed because of the weeds
- DNR has lake protection grant money available
- When fishing and weeds are on the line it was recommended not to throw the weeds back since they can grow again
- Reminder that boats need to be cleaned before it goes into a lake
 - Signage will be posted at the landing

Public Relations

Mary Kaminski will give a informational package to new land owners that will include the directory, covenants, etc.

Water Quality

George prepared a written report since he was out of town

- Water clarity at 10 feet
- Not as clear as other years probably due to lack of snow
- Lake level is low due to lack of snow from last winter, and the lack of rain this summer and fall

Old Business

- Fireworks were found floating in the water – bottle rockets are worse
- Melaleuca products can be ordered through Karen
- WAL meeting Lake District will pay up to 4 people to attend conference. Conference fee and \$100.00 for hotel or meals will be available.
- Cochran sign at the corner of Cy's and Springstead will not be replaced at this time. Will be addressed at the Annual meeting

Next Meeting

March 13th at 9:00