



# LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD

## June 14, 2011

## Time: 7:00PM

- I. **Call to order** - Glenn called the meeting to order at 7:00PM  
**Board Members Present:**  
Glenn Baldwin – President                      Dennis Cantrell – Vice President                      John Harris – Secretary  
Steve Larry – Member at Large                      Tim Spelde – Member at Large
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Motion to Approve the Agenda** – Steve motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of C. Motion to Approve ULLPOA Stabilization Rebate for \$9,225 and D. Motion to Approve Prevailing Wage Resolution 03-2011 under New Business and Dennis seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously. [06-11-01]
- IV. **Motions to Approve the 4/12/2011 and 5/10/2011 Minutes** – Dennis motioned to approve the 4/12/11 and 5/10/11 minutes and John seconded the motion. The board approved the motion with Tim abstaining from the vote and Glenn, Dennis, John, and Steve for it. [06-11-02]
- V. **Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report** – Steve explained the grant budgets and how his time is counted at \$150 an hour toward match. Glenn asked about the cost of the peninsula stabilization and Becky said that they paid \$4,564 for the coir fiber logs and \$2,025 was counted as match for volunteer labor on the project. Steve said that they are almost done with the Watershed Planning Grant. Steve motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Dennis seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by roll-call vote. [06-11-03]
- VI. **Motion to Accept Annual Financial Report and Publish it in Newspaper within 30 Days** – Dennis motioned to approve the annual financial report and publish it in a newspaper within 30 days and John seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-11-04]
- VII. **Adjourn Meeting: Public Hearing on FY2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance** – Glenn adjourned the meeting at 7:15PM for the FY2011-2012 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Hearing.
- VIII. **Reconvene Meeting** – Glenn reconvened the meeting at 7:21PM
- IX. **Motion to Accept the FY2011-2012 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance & Publish it in Newspaper within 30 days** - Steve motioned to approve the FY2011-2012 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance & Publish it in the Newspaper within 30 days and Tim seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-11-05]
- X. **Director Reports**  
**A. Steve Larry – Watershed Planning** - Steve attended a WPC/TAC meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> in which they discussed the finalization of the watershed plan, which is scheduled to be submitted by July 1<sup>st</sup>. Once it is finished, there will be copies available at the RCD office and we will make a copy available to the POA. Although the committee's original goal of writing the plan is finishing up, they have agreed to continue to meet to improve the watershed (and have looked at formalizing a 1 year, 2 year and 5 year plan). One of the recommendations of the watershed planning committee was creating filter strips and since the RCD is interested in doing that, Steve asked Joe to give his recommendation on that and he said that each property will be different based on its usage for example at the N. Beach is a beach, picnic, and fishing area and as you are looking at the lake from the beach Joe suggested a small filter strip to the left of the beach, making sure that you still maintain a clear line of site from the picnic area to the water for swimmers. From there, the filter strip should be about 10 feet. To the right of the boat launch and the dock, it is more of a fishing area and so the filter strip can be a little wider coming around to the dock and even wider still further out. To allow the fishermen access to the shoreline, he recommends diagonally mown paths to the shoreline so that geese can't see the lake. At the East Boat Landing, to the left of the boat racks, looking at the lake, they should have a fairly wide filter strip, especially since the property is adjacent to Oak Lane and so subject to the run off of tar, salt and oil coming off of the road. Schings Park has a 20' filter strip and Joe suggested

extending it by 10 more feet. For any areas that the RCD is going to mow, they should decide on a specific length (like 4") and mow it weekly to keep it at that length.

**Grants** – Babbling Brook Stabilization Plan has been pre-approved by the EPA. The next step is to finalize the engineered bid package, which Steve will send as a PDF file to the board members, and start the 30 day bid process, which will include a mandatory meeting for the contractors to make sure that they completely understand what they are bidding on. Then there will be a meeting to open the bids and another meeting where they will have an executive session to discuss the bids and then hold an open meeting to announce which contractor's bid they have chosen. They are hoping to have work begin the latter part of September. They plan on having one main contractor doing the work and there will be subcontractors who will work through that contractor to do smaller chunks of the work like vegetation. Jerry Sellers asked if the watershed plan will be available on the website and Steve said yes, as soon as it is complete. Information on the Babbling Brook stabilization is given out at the public RCD meetings. Dennis said that that is what they are trying to do and that he understands that more is better but that there has to be a compromise between what the community wants and what is best for the lake. Ultimately the 30' strip that they have now would be better at 70' but there has to be a compromise. Dennis said that he would prefer to see the properties mowed at 4-6-8 inches on an as-needed basis rather than every week. He added that the debate of the aesthetics of maintaining a longer grass could be subjective; however, there is no debate as to whether it is better for the lake or not. Harold Stromberger said that when the grass is let go some of the shoots get longer and it's unattractive but the bottom line is that it is better for the lake. Don Finn asked how long the buffer zone should grow and Dennis said that it should just be left to grow. Don said that at Lakeside Park they want to develop it so that there will be a way for them to get to the shoreline and fish from there and wondered if they could have a 10' area of short grass along the shoreline and then have a 20-30' buffer zone behind that and Dennis said yes and that that is actually a part of what Joe describes when discussing cutting a diagonal to the shoreline for access, especially since that area is stabilized with riprap. Dennis said that he'd like to start seeing the buffer zone become planted with native plants rather than just letting grass grow up. Jerry said that the buffer strips that they have now are just grass grown long rather than deep-rooted plants made for shoreline stabilization and pollution uptake. Dennis said that he would defer to people such as Joe Rush and the Nature Conservancy for ideas on how to convert the grass riparian strips into strips of native plants. Jerry also suggested that they look at the EPA's publications "Lake Notes" for more info on buffer strips and native plants. Tom Tegge said that is emotionally involved in this discussion as his property is adjacent to White Pine Dr. He has mowed it himself for 15 years – he can accept if the RCD is going to cut it 4 inches, but in his opinion, 6 inches is a hay field and doesn't allow people to use Schings Park as a park. Glenn said that the board will take Joe Rush's professional recommendations and try to do what is best for the lake while keeping the property owners happy.

**Boat Roundup** – Steve looked at the boats that are on the RCD boat racks and found about 12 boats that were not properly stickered. Tim is going to look at all of the boats and get that information to Becky.

#### **B. Glenn Baldwin – no comment**

**C. Dennis Cantrell** – Dennis hired Dixon Glass to fix the door of the LCC that a couple kids accidentally broke. The two families of the kids will pay the RCD for the repair, which cost \$595.50. Dennis has had the parking lot reworked and will finish up on some work on that. Dennis will have the Gene and Shawn condense the mulch at the playground to under the equipment and convert the open spaces to grass. Dennis also repaired a dock.

**D. John Harris** – John is planning a dinner for the volunteers that helped on the peninsula.

**E. Tim Spelde – Hearing** - Tim attended the hearing to renew his board position in which he gave them a rundown of the RCD's goals of shoreline stabilization.

**Silt Removal** - Nordman removed the silt pile on Flagg Rd.

**Fishing Derby** - 31 kids participated in the fishing derby last Saturday w/ 142 fish caught. The fishing club spent \$550 on that event.

**Dam & Campground Cleanup, Road Repair** - Tim needs someone to help with spraying the dam and cleaning up the campground and wondered if they are to use the contracted groundskeepers and Glenn said yes. Tim will be

having Schulze repair the road going to the campground and would like to put some riprap in the ditch trying to stop water from flowing over the road and washing out the road that goes to the campground. The board discussed putting in a culvert as well and Don said it cost them about \$1,500 to install a culvert.

**Security** – Tim will coordinate with the security personnel to train them on using the RCD boat and what they should be checking boaters and fishermen for.

**Depth Survey, Fish Stocking, Fish Survey** – Use PVC pipes to survey the area in front of the dam, will order fish from Gollon and will contact IDNR about surveying the fish population of the lake. Jim Yagen bought the property that is at the entrance of the lake from Clear Creek and is planning on stabilizing his shoreline.

#### **XI. New Business**

**A. Steve – 6 Month Review of Unreleased Executive Minutes** – Tabled

**B. Motion to Approve Sachen Stabilization Rebate for \$4,240** – Steve motioned to approve the rebate of \$4,240 to Leroy Sachen for the stabilization of 212 ft. of shoreline and Dennis seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-11-06]

**C. Motion to Approve ULLPOA Stabilization Rebate for \$9,225** – Steve motioned to approve the rebate of \$9,225 to the POA for the stabilization of 492 ft of shoreline and Dennis seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-11-07]

**D. Motion to Approve Prevailing Wage Resolution 03-2011** – Steve motioned to approve the Prevailing Wage Resolution 03-2011 and Dennis seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously. [06-11-08]

#### **XII. Guest Comments – Tom Tegge – Burn pile?** – RCD closed the burn pile that was by the dam and is opening up an area the Flagg Rd Silt Basin for a once a year gathering of brush for burning or chipping.

**Don Finn-** Dirt pile on Schings Park doesn't have a silt fence – Steve said that it will be removed and topsoil will be put in with fencing over it. Pier on the POA property was tilted but Dennis fixed it. A microphone is defective – Don will identify it. Don said that in terms of the RCD's mowing program, he has heard objections to it and knows that it will take a learning process; however, he wants to end up with the two POA properties to be uniform with what the RCD is doing.

**Jerry Sellers** – Jerry asked about the budget and what the RCD is going to levy for next year and Becky said that they are going to ask for the 5% over last year's amount that they are authorized to ask for without having a hearing. Jerry wondered if the reason that there was no drop off of stuff in the lake is because corn stalks got caught in the grass and caused a backup of the water and Steve said that there was no backup of water.

#### **XIII. Motion to Adjourn** – Tim motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:35PM and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously. [06-11-09]

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