

LNNLRCD Meeting Date: June 2, 2005 Time: 7:00PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call – Joe called the meeting to order at 7:07PM.

Board Member Joe Olliges - Acting President

Present: Bill Piper - Treasurer

Jerry Sellers - Member at Large Dan Dummett - Member at Large

Absent: Herb Hill - Personnel

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda: Jerry added B. Flagg Road Silt Basin Proposal under New Business

- **IV. Approval of Minutes:** Jerry motioned to approve the May 5th minutes. Dan seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-05-01] Dan motioned to approve the May 12th minutes. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-05-02]
- V. Treasurer's Report: Joe asked if Schulze sent a bill yet for cutting the slope at the dam and Becky said that that bill just came today. He also asked about the State Farm Liability payout and Becky said that that is for the liability on the office that is in her home. Dan motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-05-03]
- VI. Board Member Reports
 A. Joe Olliges No Report
 - B. Bill Piper -
 - 1. Tax Levy Tabled
 - 2. Board Approval of Annual Treasurer's Report The accountant compared the annual treasurer's report and end of year monthly treasurer's report that it is based on and gave their verbal OK so now the board needs to approve the report. Once the board has approved it, then it must be filed with the county within 30 days. Jerry asked if they have the accountant sign off on the report and Becky said that only Bill signs it; after the accountant called and told her that the report was okay, she asked them if they would be sending a written statement and they said that they hadn't in the past. Jerry said that he would like to see them signing off on it in case there is ever any trouble in the future then they'll have a CPA backing them up. Dan motioned to approve the annual treasurer's report. Jerry seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-05-04]

C. Herb Hill - No Report

D. Jerry Sellers -

- **1. Beaver –** Sid Butler is still trapping beaver, they have been sighted near the beach so he is being careful where he sets his traps so there are no accidents involving them.
- **2. Jerry Corcoran w/ Woodhaven Lakes –** Frank Durkin and Jerry met with Jerry Corcoran, who gave them a tour of Woodhaven and provided them with a lot of information, which the LMC will look at.

- **3. Babbling Brook Silt basin** Jerry wrote up a memo of understanding for Ralph Orland to sign allowing the RCD to put a silt basin on his property off of Lowden Road, in which Babbling Brook runs through. Jerry contacted Matt Hanson w/ Willett Hofmann out of Dixon and Fehr Graham out of Rochelle to request proposals on the engineering of a silt basin. Orland is also allowing the RCD to take the silt that they remove from the basin and spread and level it out around the site there so they won't have to pay to have it hauled off.
- **4. Bill Kliman/Nachusa** –Jerry will be meeting with Bill Kliman, Dan Pierce, and Frank Durkin on June 22nd to walk up Clear Creek to see what needs to be remediated there. Jerry feels that there has been some positive dialogue started with Bill and has requested some short term fixes from them vs. long term fixes. They make up about 1000 acres or 10% of the RCD's watershed. Dan asked Jerry if a lease w/ Nachusa would be a viable alternative to buying the land. Jerry said that Dan's suggestion was a good one, however, he added that the best scenario would be for Nachusa to donate some land to the RCD, the second best would be them selling it to them for a reasonable price and the third thing would be a lease agreement, the only problem with a lease agreement which he has to consider with Orland too, is if they build a silt basin and then the owners do something with the property that prohibits access to the property.
- **5. Peninsula in the Middle of the Lake** Jerry contacted the Steve Larry, the owner of lot 122, which is contiguous to the peninsula that juts out into the lake. He recently had it surveyed and says that he doesn't own it.
- **6.** Flagg Road Silt Basin Work Nordman completed the work at the Flagg Road Silt Basin, which consisted of moving the piles of silt to the 23 acres and building the finger to allow access of the entire basin. Jerry is waiting for his figures on the amount of silt that was hauled out.
- **7. ILAC** Frank, Jerry, and Joe attended the ILAC meeting at Apple Canyon, which they found to be very informative. That meeting's topic was newsletters.

E. Dan Dummett -

1. Dam Inspection – Dan spoke with Wendler and they said that they'll have the report in about 10 days. The inspector be making recommendations similar to what has been made in the past, however, he is pleased with the condition of the dam in general. The board wanted them to do a couple extra items like shoot some elevations of the emergency spillway in relationship to the dam boards and the load bearing capacity of the road that goes over the dam. Dan said that the load capacity of the bridge would support a garbage truck. Becky contacted the garbage company to have them start picking up the can across the dam and to put one down at the campground. Tim Spelde had asked the board for permission to put in some plantings by the guardrail of the dam, which is an integral part of the dam. The engineer said it was okay to plant there, as long as Tim watches for erosion or animal burrowing in the area.

VIII. Employee Reports - Becky

- **1. Mileage –** Bill asked Becky to call the accountant to find out how they should be keeping track of mileage payouts since they decided to pay mileage. The accountant said that the form that Becky generated was sufficient for everyone to use to keep track of the mileage. They are paying the federal level of 40.5 cents a mile, which will be taken out of the Travel line item.
- 2. Boat stickers Becky has issued almost all the boat stickers there are only a few left that she had questions for the boat owners on. Joe said that when that was done he wanted to start doing the boat round up. He just has to figure out where to store them. Becky had a better response this year by mailing out the applications instead of calling boat owners like in the past couple years. Joe said that she could mail them out each year if it is more accurate.

IX. Old Business

1. LMC Update – Frank said that the LMC committee members Don Finn, Jerry Sellers, himself, and Ron Berger met to establish one of the LMC's objectives of lake water analysis, to include the effects of the septic systems on the lake. Don Finn is one of three fishing club members who volunteered to do the project. Don contacted the North American Lake Management Society, located outside Madison

Wisconsin. They have a sub-group called the Illinois Lake Management Association (ILMA) out of Springfield. They directed him to the IDNR, who has a book called Managing Small Lakes and Ponds, which Don has sent for. In the mean time, he has a copy of a PDC Laboratories lab report, which was done for Woodhaven Lakes that gives the various tests that they perform on their lakes. This will give Don an idea of what type of tests should be performed at what should be done if the tests results fall out of the normal parameters. There is a test that measures the amount of suspended chloride in the water, which is a fairly good indicator of whether septic systems are leaching into the lake. If it measures 50-100 mg, per liter, then they should start looking because there could be human waste in the lake. Joe said that the beaches have both been tested twice and have passed. Don & Joe requested copies of the water test results from Becky. Joe said that you could go online and see when all the public beaches in Illinois were closed due to E-coli. He added that Dan Reimer, the general manager of Apple Canyon, is a wealth of information. The RCD will test the beaches more often if they get a bad reading so that they can open them back up as soon as it is safe to do so.

- 2. Tennis Court Improvement The last time the tennis court was resurfaced was by Byron Blacktop, however, feedback that Dan got back from the community of that was that they were pretty dissatisfied with the job that was done. Dan obtained a quote from another company for \$5,000 to resurface it. One thing that they want to stay away from is putting black top on the surface again. Dan said that there is a lot of coating options on the internet, however, they would have to find someone who knows how to apply it. McDonnell Blacktop out of Ohio, Illinois is who Dixon Park District uses, however, they are too busy. Jerry suggested that they could ask McDonnell if they know anyone else who does it. Dan said that more research has to be done on this.
- **3. Ken Oltmanns Contract** Previous agreements between Ken Oltmanns and the RCD for the 15 acres of alfalfa in exchange for work involved only a handshake agreement. Joe looked into what the average rental rates for our area are and he said they average about \$80-100 an acre vs. the Rochelle area, which averages \$180 an acre. Ken proposed trading \$1,100 worth of work in exchange for using the fields and Joe talked to Ken about the board wanting to have Ken pay the RCD the \$1,100 outright instead and then have him bill them for all work that he performs for them. He has already pushed up the burn-pile 3 times for the RCD at \$50 apiece. The RCD will write up a new contract for Ken to sign.

X. New Business -

1. Building Security – Over Memorial Day weekend, somebody broke the LCC inner foyer door. Joe had Mark Piper fix it. Joe suggested that the RCD offer a \$100 reward for information leading to the perpetrators. The burn-pile is also costing the RCD money with all the improper stuff being put on it. Examples include 10 bales of straw, latticework, lumber, garbage bags, trees, and big timbers, etc. Joe asked for help from the POA's with informing their constituents because if the abuse continues, it will be his recommendation that they close it down. The board agreed with Joe on putting up the \$100 reward for information on the vandalism. Jerry suggested that they put something in the newsletter to remind everyone about what doesn't belong in the burn-pile and that it will likely be closed down if the abuse continues. Dan said that perhaps they could put more signage up.

Joe said that at the last LNPOA meeting the board hired a security guard who carried a weapon. He is informing both POA's that if they are hiring security for an event held at the Lake Court Center, that they need to let the RCD know and that the only people that he wants to allow to carry a weapon in the facility would be members of the Ogle County Sheriff's office. Joe offered to take over building security under his responsibilities if the board wanted him too. The board agreed that Joe would be the best board member to be in charge of security.

2. Flagg Road Silt Basin – Now that Bill Nordman is done removing the silt, Jerry would like to see the land over there light graded and seeded to protect it from eroding and going back into the silt basin. Schulze presented a quote for \$550 to 150 lbs Rye Balboa, 100 fescue 31, and 150 lbs of starter fertilizer. The type of grass that they are planting is really hardy and will hold up to a lot of mashing down and still reseed itself. Bill motioned to accept Bob Schulze's proposal to reseed and light grade the 3 acres at the silt basin for NTE \$550. They will chain the area to keep traffic off of the grass until it gets started. Joe seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll-call vote. [06-05-05]

Joe set two more executive sessions for the topic of acquisition on Thursday, June 16th at 7:00PM and Tuesday, June 28th at 7:00PM.

XI. Guests/Public Opinion (Limit 10 minutes per guest/group. Please hold all comments until this time).

- 1. John Mulholland New Dock at the Dam the dock is in at the dam and looks really good.
- **XII. Adjourn:** Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:32PM. Dan seconded the motion. Motion approved by roll-call vote [06-05-06]

XIII. Executive Session: Acquisition

Next Scheduled Date: July 7, 2005

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