

UPPER NEMAHBIN LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 27, 2013

Time: 6:30 PM

Summit Village Hall

2911 N. Dousman Road

Oconomowoc, WI 53066

- I. Introduction and Call to Order – Jennifer Reek, Chairman.

Roll Call: Joan Beres, Mike LaMont, Jennifer Reek, Dave Cone, Rudy Ibric, Susan Moran – Rep.

- II. Approval of Minutes – June 19, 2013 meeting

Motion to approve minutes by Rudy Ibric, 2nd Dave Cone and approved unanimously.

- III. Hearing from Persons Present - None

- IV. Commissioners Reports

Treasurer Report

- a. Mike LaMont met with Bill Barthell went to BMO Harris to sign signature card
- b. Reported balance \$12,236.36. \$60,035.10 in CD.
- c. Jennifer Reek will be the second signature on the account, and will meet and review the books with Mike LaMont. Susan Moran suggested to have a statement audit on the agenda for the next meeting, and Dave agreed it was a good idea. Jennifer will put in on the agenda.

Presidents Report

- a. Committee assignments to consider for board members and to be discussed at the next meeting
 1. Water Quality Committee- This committee will deal with the Roller Mill Dam and Cleanup, obtaining grants and permits, weed control and yearly water quality monitoring.
 2. Navigation and Safety Committee – This committee will deal with the USGS monitoring station, buoys, slow no wake, and lake levels (Hwy. P Weir).
 3. Social Activities Committee – This committee will manage the fireworks and picnic.
 4. Web Site and Communications Committee – This committee will deal with all updates to the website and new communications via website and email.
- Will start assembling all committees by the next meeting. Each committee will report to the board as they meet about their activities.

- V. Roller Mill Dam Abandonment – Jennifer Reek

- a. At our last meeting of August 19, 2013 meeting, the board discussed the DNRs plan to remove the dam. After a long discussion, Rudy Ibric motioned to defer decision until we could meet with contractors. Jennifer Reek 2nd the motion and it was approved unanimously.
- b. On August 21, 2013 we had a meeting at the dam with DNR staff (Michelle Haze, Meg Galloway, and Eric Nitschke). They discussed the removal of the dam which will not include Phase II of the Inter-Fluve plan and the dredging 600' of the side channel to the race way. The DNR assessment was that it would disturb too much of the wetland and silt. The channel will be cut to 40' wide and the berm will be lowered to establish the floodplain. The sill will be removed. The DNR shared pictures to show the stabilization of the removal of the Newbury Dam. DNR stated that they do not know what is under the sill but they will restore

it to the natural state. Pat Corcoran questioned if the DNR secured approval from Margaret Zerwerth. The DNR is still setting up the contractors. Jennifer reported Phase II of the 2010 preliminary plan was taken out as previously mentioned. We will definitely receive more silt downstream without that phase. DNR stated that they will give the District minimum 48 hours/maximum 5 day notice. Jennifer mentioned the Boat Recreation Grant that is a 50/50 cost share with the DNR. Eric advised that we should apply for the grant and the DNR will work on the permits with the District.

- c. To follow up the DNR meeting, Mike Campbell and Jennifer met with Michelle Hase on August 25, 2013 to discuss Phase I and the restoration of the channel. We had suggested a rock grade control structure and she responded that they are hoping to find a natural rock waterfall under the sill. Also, they are trying to capture as much silt as possible by dewatering.
- d. Discussion – Rudy stated the dam is coming down and there are no funds to fight the project. So we should focus on cleanup and cooperate with the DNR. Rudy explained why the initial motion was made.

We discussed the timing of the abandonment of mid-September and completing by mid-October.

Plan has not been finalized. The District will receive a final copy that is approved and stamped by the DNR.

Mike LaMont mentioned the 60 day notice for the removal. Jennifer stated that the DNR has not taken ownership and is acting as an agent for Margaret so it does not apply.

Dave Cone stated that when the water is diverted, we will still have a flow and the weir will hold the Nemahbin Lakes level.

- e. Rudy made a motion to set aside the motion that he made on August 19, 2013 to defer decision to remove the dam until a meeting with contractors has been established. Jennifer 2nd, passed unanimously.
- f. Jennifer mentioned that the cleanup was for the downstream river and lake. A special meeting would be needed to dredge upstream of the dam. Mike LaMont questioned and wanted the board to discuss if we wanted to use the Administrative Law Judges decision about Phase I and spend the funds upstream to dredge the silt. Or, cooperate with the DNR on the removal with only Phase II. The consensus of the board was to work with the DNR in cooperation, spend our cleanup fund downstream, and work with the DNR to assist with the permitting for dredging in the future.
- g. Jennifer will contact Michelle Hase to obtain the plan, set up a meeting to talk with the contractors, re-iterate the plan for documentation, and expect immediate notice of dam removal plans. We will also get weekly progress reports, notifications of meetings, and updates. Also, will ask for DNR assistance with dredge permits and have her include dredge permits for during removal of the dam just in case some dredging could occur upstream.
- h. Jennifer will start researching dredging permits.

- VI. New Business – Jennifer stated that the DNR, in her conversation with Michelle Hase, that she will approve a labyrinth weir design. We should approach both Waukesha County and Village of Summit for reconsideration. We will work with Lower Nemahbin Lake. Dave Cone is willing to work on this project. Highway P bridge and weir reconstruction could happen in 2015.

- VII. Adjournment- Rudy made a motion to adjourn, Mike 2nd. All in favor.

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Joan Beres, UNLMD Secretary