

Lower Spring Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District

Quarterly (3rd) Meeting June 1, 2013

Called Meeting To Order: Al Fehrmann called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. on Saturday June 1, 2013. Present: Al Fehrmann-President, Vicki Bradford-Treasurer, Sarah Bregant-County Supervisor, and Linda Plennes-Secretary. Not present-Dave Turner-Village President. Newcomer-Larry Kau- Town President

Read and Approve Minutes: Linda Plennes read the minutes of the April 6th 2013 meeting. No corrections were noted and a motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Bill A. and 2nd by Jim D. minutes accepted.

Treasurers Report: Vicki Bradford provided copies of the current budget and activity. Vicki noted we had rec'd the billing from Marine Bio-Chem the amount was \$17,680.50 this was for a whole lake treatment. A discussion took place regarding the renewal of a maturing certificate; it was decided to renew it for the same term.

Harvester Operations Report: Jim Dixon stated that Patricia Cicero and Steve Bauman would tour the lake first before Steve rec'd any training on the harvester. Susan Graham and Patricia Cicero will meet with Steve to review the process. Jim again stated that if anyone had concerns regarding plant vegetation in front of their property they should call or e-mail him. Jim stated he would be gone a lot this summer and Robert Wielepski has agreed to be the contact person if Jim was not available. Robert's contact number is 262-495-2262.

Chemical Treatment Report: The whole lake treatment took place on Monday May 13th, 2013. There is a 4 week window where we are not allowed to harvest anywhere, we have requested that an exception be made so we would be able to enter the finger bay, this is problem area. We were denied this request because the Army Corp of Engineers stands by this statement, 4 weeks is only a guarantee of chemical contact only, after that it is systemic and will travel through the plant and kill it, this is the result we are seeking. Al shared a report from Patricia regarding points: Last year EWM was found at 33 points this year it was found in only 13 points and CLP found last year was 63 points and this year only 7 points.

Grant Project updates: Al and Vicki, not a lot is new, but please get your timesheets in as soon as possible, we need these to complete our grant request. Al stated that we have a lot of volunteers that do not attend our meetings but their time spent on lake projects is crucial. The board is very happy that we have these volunteers. Bless the volunteers!

Geese Depredation Report: Bill stated that they did get out twice and found 12 nests and removed 66 eggs, because of the cold weather everything is about 3 weeks behind normal. One new family was just spotted with 3 little ones.

Water Clarity Report: Greg not available to report.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters Report: Ann stated that she needed volunteers to assist her with this project. Call her or e-mail her if you can help. The fishermen that were contacted last year were very willing to learn more about the topic.

Boat Landing Upgrade Report: Al stated that he spoke to Brian Hefty, he oversees the maintenance of the boat launches/landings. The funds to upgrade our landing have been approved and this project will take place, we don't have much say in the matter as it's by the States statues guidelines. Questions regarding a pier were

brought forward, we are not sure what is included, but Al will follow up on this. We know for sure that there will NOT be Porta-Potti's, Brian stated the landing is close to two service stations in the village. The area will be asphalt and concrete with parking, signage and a turnabout for launches. This project will be paid for by the State not our Lake District. Questions about a pier came from the Lions Club as well; they may possibly want to make a donation (\$2,500) to our District for the purchase of a pier. The Lions Club will also be stocking our lake in October with approx. 300 Northern. Concerns about putting in and taking out of a pier, or permanent piers, storage issues, liability concerns and more were voiced. Al stated that he would receive the proposed plans for the upgrade of the launch. Al stated that Brian wanted our Districts feedback on this upgrade project.

Dredging Information: Bill contacted a man that lives on Blue Spring Lake, he shared this information, and he was involved with the dredging. Total cost of the project so far was \$35,000 this is what Blue Spring Lake paid, there was no grant requested for this project. Total homes on the lake are 230- 30 homes were granted permissions, 15 homes have done partial dredging, total cost per home was approx. \$2,500, and these home owners have to re landscape their properties. They dredged from the land, not the water. They dredged from a range of 3 feet to 10 feet. They burden is really on the homeowner. Bill said that if we wanted to proceed with this intent we would have to add this to our current Lake Mgmt. Plan. Our current Lake plan has to be redone in 2015. Possibly we could apply for a grant to dredge. More to come on this subject.

Board Vacancies Nominations: Two open positions will occur in August, nominations for President and Secretary were made, Al nominated Carol Dixon for President 2nd by Bob, and Linda nominated Patricia Zimmermann for Secretary, and 2nd by Ann both parties have accepted these nominations. The board will vote on August 17th, 2013.

Ambassador Project: Linda is working on an Ambassador contact list.

Aquatic Plant Disposal Survey: Linda is working on this project, if needed.

Open Forum: Existing Signage and upgrades to sign by the beach still pending.

Next Meeting Date: Our next meeting date will be **August 17th at 11:00 at the Beach Shelter**
This will be our Annual Meeting and Picnic.

Note: we did vote to change this date from August 31st to August 17th, motioned by Jim and 2nd by Bob.

Adjourn Meeting: Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Submitted Respectfully,

Linda Plennes
LSL District Secretary
July 11, 2013