

## GEORGE LAKE REHABILITATION DISTRICT

Quarterly Meeting --- Friday, August 6, 2004 7pm at Bristol Town Hall

1. Call to order 6 Board members present---Jeff Coultrip excused
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of minutes of May 14, 2004 Fred Ekornaas/Bob Chudy Carried
4. Approve Treasurers Report Fred Ekornaas/Rich Gossling

Discussion:

Bob Chudy commented that the cost of the new parking area is not in the Treasurers report but the bill has not been received yet so it should be in the next report.

Rich Gossling stated that the oxygen testing is \$40 and the rest of the test is free.

Rich Gossling questioned if the Harvester maintenance is under Equipment maintenance. Need to ask Jeff Coultrip, Treasurer.

Question of the fact that no wages for Harvester operators is reported yet.

Question of the cost of the Herbicide permit?? License and permits should not be more than \$10. The Harvester permit was \$300.

Motion to amend acceptance of the Treasurers report pending approval of answering questions. Carried

5. Approve payment of pending bills None
6. Review and approve proposed 2005 budget

Discussion

Where is the information about Grants and Grant income?

Dredging Account needs to be broken down.

Check the amount of \$2285 for Equipment maintenance and Harvester expense was only \$292.83.....why?

MOTION: to combine Equipment and Harvester Maintenance together with a budget of \$4500 for 2005. Fred Ekornaas/Bob Chudy Carried

Where is the expense for signs and software?

Office Expense. Request a break down of expense. Pearl Seavitte asked Rich Gossling if it was a possibility to use the Town copy machine if George Lake supplied the paper as copying is quite expensive. He will check into this request. Pearl will have a breakdown ready for the next meeting.

Legal notice needs to be broken out for annual Meeting.

What is Advertising \$400?

Rich Gossling questioned that if Herbicidal treatment would increase to \$10,000 that this extra money be taken out of Reserves rather than raising tax mileage. Sam Seavitte asked if the new, perhaps, increased valuation of property within the district would bring in added dollars. Rich Gossling stated that the Town does not know if any extra dollars would be available or expected. He suggested leaving the Herbicidal Treatment at \$8220 (the same as 2004) so as not to "upset the taxpayers".

SUGGEST Harvester Maintenance change to Equipment Maintenance = \$4500

\$10,000 Herbicide Treatment = \$8220

Where are Grant reports?

Where does interest come from?

This 2005 Budget is approximately a 4% increase.

MOTION Fred Ekornaas/Bob Chudy Moved a tentative approval of the 2005 Budget as presented with the changes suggested. Carried

7. Discuss and take action on repairs/modification of North Beach

Split rail fence needs to be replaced and use barrels. Rich Gossling suggested that the use of barrels is necessary so they can be moved during ice fishing and to dump sand on the beach in the spring. Ernie Chiodo stated the need to form a committee to decide what to do about the North Beach and also ask the Special Projects Committee to fund any proposed projects. Rich Gossling suggested getting ideas at the Annual Meeting for suggestions and volunteers.

8. Approve Jeff Coultrip to Weed Control Committee Voting not necessary as it is a Chairman appointment.

9. Committee Reports:

**Audit Committee:** Sam Seavitt reviewed the report. 1. needs dual control on check writing. 2. Special Projects Committee feels that it is THEIR money but Audit Committee states that this money should be included in the Budget. Ernie Chiodo has already called Sue Tarsa and she stated it was "our money and we can do what we want". Fred Ekornass stated that this money should be reflected in the Budget. Special Projects should be brought up at the Annual Meeting to discuss and let friends and neighbors decide. 3. Laptop Computer expense should be brought up at the Annual Meeting.

Fred Ekornaas/ Rich Gossling Carried

**Weed Control:** Gayle Chiodo reported for Chairperson, Carrie Miner. As of Aug. 16, the number of hours harvested is 213.75 hours. Larry harvested 155 hours and Jeff harvested 58.75 hours. Total loads removed was 120. Harvesting started June 11, 2004.

**Watershed:** Jeff Coultrip ---- not present

**Lake Monitoring:** Bob Chudy checked for e-coli on July 15. Report on July 16 was East Beach = 3/100ml and North Beach = 360/100ml. The North Beach was over the 235 limit and could be closed. Therefore, he took 2 additional samples. The North Beach was split in half for 2<sup>nd</sup> test. The results were East section = 15/100ml

West section = 7/100ml. This 2<sup>nd</sup> testing was well within the limits. Question---what happened??? 360 vs 15 and 7. Could argue lab made a mistake and also someone in the area is feeding the geese on this beach. During the testing, 5 families of geese came up....Bob Chudy asked that we talk with people and tell them about the geese problems or notify Bob and he will make a point to talk with them. He recommends that perhaps there could be a notice on the Beach about feeding the geese. Feeding the geese will result in closing the beach due to high levels of e-coli. Bob will talk with Bob Kolba (corner) and Jeff Gullo (yellow house). Two more samples will be taken on August 15 based on Board approval

**Lake Monitoring:** Ernie Chiodo reported that the report is very much the same as last year..

**Grants Committee:** Pearl Seavitt reported that the Aron & Associates Grant is completed with all the test samples taken and reported. The final report has to be

submitted by December 2004. Jeff Thorton has not submitted any information about the Lake Study grant.

10. Old Business Jay Tritz in Twin Lakes has been doing the payroll account for years with no charge. The Board authorized Jeff Coultrip to get a \$100 gift certificate for her. Fred Ekornaas/Rich Gossling Carried

11. New Business: Steve Kuksa asked if the new weed that is growing “so well” is Coontail. Can we at least cut this weed if it is a nuisance? Steve can call Carrie Miner to have the Harvester operators top the weeds on the North side.

On October 8, 2004 there is a symposium about Milfoil in the Wisconsin Dells. If you are interested in attending, call Ernie Chiodo.

12. Other business allowed by law. None

13. Citizens Comments. Bev Chudy has observed many 4 wheelers riding on the Tree Farm. Rich Gossling suggested calling the Sheriff. Fred Ekornaas stated the posting “No Trespassing” signs require signatures to be legal.

Next Quarterly Meeting Friday, November 5, 2004 7pm

Adjourned 9 pm Fred Ekornaas/ Bob Chudy Carried

Submitted

Pearl Seavitte, Secretary