

TWIN LAKES
Lakes Protection and Rehabilitation District

*Storm Water Management and
Non-Point Pollution Mitigation Committee*

*Minutes of meeting at Twin Lakes,
Village Hall 10/4/03 at 9:00 a.m.*

Present:

G. Wrench, Chairperson	262-877-4083	geraldww@charter.net
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C. Saul (writer)	262-877-8866	cjs2086@cs.com
J. Klokow	262-877-2545	Jlk@techheadnet.com
M. Schmunk	262-877-8800	kicksat47@aol.com
R. Polit	262-877-2688	polarisric@sno-x.com
G. Sobotka	262-877-4286	wisgeorge@aol.com
J. Gresenz (trustee)		jngresenz@yahoo.com
D. Griffin (trustee)		mimi655@juno.com
D. Stoen (trustee)		Stoenfamily1@msn.com

Not Present:

J. Kennedy	(need contact information)	
D. Cox (TL administrator)	262-877-2858	viloftwinlakes@busynet.net
Robert Livingston (Steering Committee)	262-889-8802	design@cranelandscapes.com

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone present introduced themselves and explained their respective interests in participating. Comments included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - long term protection of lake enjoyment, and reversal of the lake quality deterioration they have witnessed. - addressing the apparent pollution problems in the channel at Indian Point. - soliciting public funding for major storm water projects - identifying and getting control of the simple improvements that can be made to affect water quality such as care in the use of fertilizer and clearing culverts - long term lake planning - understanding the government process for funding application - completing the Village storm water plan - applying soon for grants 	None

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C. Saul volunteered to take and distribute meeting minutes for three meetings 	C. Saul
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Old Business</u> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - B. Robinson and M. Schmunk discussed the implementation of the Village ordinance to eliminate the use of phosphorus fertilizer, although sale of such products still occurs in the Village. All agreed that community education on this is important. It was suggested that the availability of non phosphorus based fertilizer at the Do It Best Hardware store should be noted in the village newsletter and website. The possibility of a spring 2004 truck load sale of non-phosphorus fertilizer was noted. B. Robinson and M. Schmunk agreed to investigate these issues and report back to the Committee. J. Klokow noted the value of a Committee slogan; G. Wrench encouraged all to think of possible options. 	B. Robinson/ M. Schmunk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It was noted that the prior committee had been pursuing “rain gardens”, and the work was being continued by another Lakes District Committee. 	None
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It was noted that the WDNR had investigated the site of the Indian Point channel for possible pollution sources during the past summer. The source of the concern had been identified, although no long term solution had been presented to satisfy the local homeowners concern over stagnant water and the channel no longer being navigable. 	None
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Village storm water plan is apparently available in draft form. The plan recommends three retention ponds be constructed at 1) Esch Road; 2) the Pink House and 3) no recollection. D. Griffin agreed to secure copies for Committee members. G. Wrench agreed to get copies of the Village storm water plan previously submitted to the WDNR for comparative purposes. D. Griffin further agreed to update the Committee regarding the Stohr release of farm waste into Lake Mary, earlier in 2003. G. Wrench agreed to research grant sources for agricultured storm water projects. 	D. Griffin/ G. Wrench
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>New Business</u> 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There was an extended discussion regarding the content of current Village storm water ordinances, and the need for the Committee to understand, and insure compliance. It was noted that Baxter Woodman is currently the engineering firm being used by the Village for such projects. C. Saul agreed to arrange for a representative of Baxter Woodman to present to the Committee at the next meeting: 	C. Saul

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) a layman’s explanation of existing Village storm water ordinances, as well as any suggestions to enhance those ordinances 2) a layman’s explanation of the storm water plan for the recently developed Whispering Oaks, serving as an example of the implementation of the Village storm water ordinances and 3) identification of the major storm water issues around the Village. 	
<p>G. Wrench further noted that the WDNR has prepared recommended storm water legislation which he would make available to the Committee.</p>	G. Wrench
<p>J. Klokow discussed the importance of communication of storm water issues both to other committees and Village residents. Possible techniques included the Village website and the newsletter. J. Klokow committed to research alternatives and report to the Committee.</p>	J. Klokow
<p>G. Sobotka discussed at length the apparent pollution problems of the Indian Point channel noting that the channel is no longer navigable, but rather only stagnant water generating odors and apparent pollution. He presented his thoughts for a solution describing permanently closing the channel as a navigable water way and installing tiered dams intended to filter the overflow water into Lake Mary. He further recommended filling in the channel by dredging the nearby bay in Lake Mary. Discussion on the subject included the willingness of nearby homeowners (30) to forego channel access, and the general viability of the plan. G. Wrench suggested that contact with the WDNR be made. R. Polit and G. Sobotka committed to pursue the issue with the WDNR. R. Polit, G. Sabotka, G. Wrench, D. Griffin and C. Saul visited the site after meeting.</p>	R. Polit/ G. Sobotka
<p>D. Stoen noted imminent Village Board discussion about Lance Park launch fees, and solicited opinions about charging the fees. The general opinion was that launch fees should be increased to the limits allowed by the State of Wisconsin.</p>	None
<p>The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 8 at 9:00 a.m. at the Village Hall.</p>	