

**Storm Water Management & Non Point Pollution
Committee**

**Minutes
&
Meeting Notes**

Date: Saturday, March 13, 2004
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Twin Lakes, Village Hall

Meeting called to order by: G. Wrench, Chairperson

Lake Committee members in attendance:

- G. Wrench, Chairperson
- B. Robinson
- C. Saul, Writer
- M. Schmunk

Lake Committee members not in attendance:

- G. Sobotka
- J. Kennedy

Lake District Commissioner in attendance: None

Others in attendance:

- D. Griffin (Trustee Liaison)
- M. Moran, Trustee
- D. Stoen, Trustee
- J. Wamsley

Motion(s) made:

Motion made by B. Robinson to approve the minutes of 2/12/04 and seconded by M. Schmunk after G. Wrench noted that the minutes of 1/10/04 had been approved by J. Kennedy (rather than D. Griffin).

Other motion(s): C. Saul made a motion, seconded by M. Schmunk that \$300 be requested of the Lake District Commission, and the Village of Twin Lakes to prepare 30 signs and holders stating: "Phosphorus Free Fertilizer Required – Save Our Lakes" and posted throughout the Village during the spring.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting by B. Robinson at 11:05, seconded by C. Saul.

Secretary: C. Saul

Next Meeting

Date: April 8, 2004
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Twin Lakes Village Hall, 108 Main Street

Meeting Notes

Old Business:

A. **Miscellaneous:**

G. Wrench requested that prior revised minutes be forwarded to the appropriate parties so that the record would be corrected. **C. Saul to issue.**

B. **Non-Phosphorus Fertilizer:**

B. Robinson reported that an article had been written and submitted to the Twin Lakes Report for publication, and that a photograph session had been scheduled for 11:30 a.m., after this meeting, at Do It Best Hardware.

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to request \$300 to produce 30 signs to be posted throughout the Village reading "Phosphorus Free Fertilizer Required – Save Our Lakes". **G. Wrench to request funds, with Trustee Griffin's assistance and coordinate sign production and placement.**

D. Griffin recommended MG & S Sales, Silver Lake, suggesting the approximate price of \$9.85 per sign, on corrugated board. Bill Porps was noted as an alternate local source. All agreed that the signs be posted immediately after the 4/6 election.

B. Robinson noted that contact with T. Micelli had been attempted without success. She further noted that the hardware store would begin stocking various fertilizers about mid-March.

C. **Stohr's Farm Status:**

G. Wrench reported that Dan Treloor of Kenosha County had attempted to arrange for engineering design of the Stohr's farm run-off problem; although a personal commitment caused the meeting to be cancelled. In the interim Wrench commented that substantial manure had been collected and re-deposited elsewhere on the farm. The village is apparently maintaining cost records of the effort.

D. **Beach Water Testing:**

G. Wrench reported that weekly water testing has been arranged with Kenosha County and the Village of Twin Lakes, as compared to a more casual schedule in the past. Beginning in May, the County will test monthly, with the Village to do so in each intervening week. Two locations on Lake Mary (the Pink House and Lance Park) and two locations on Lake Elizabeth (Sunset and Musical) will be checked at identical locations each week. Beach water at a knee deep location, 12" to 18" below the surface will be sampled each Tuesday. The samples will be tested for fecal coliform; when readings exceed 400 parts per 100 milliliters, the Kenosha Health Department will be contacted for further testing of E.coli 235. The County Health Department will recommend whether to close the beaches. Chicago closes beaches when the E.coli reading exceeds 200; the City of Kenosha uses the bench mark at 235. John Ericson of the Village department of Public Works will perform the testing.

D. Griffin committed to investigate signs to be used in the event of beach closings.

E. **NOAA Grant Prospects:**

M. Schmunk reported that the letter of intent requesting funds of the NOAA had been accepted. Schmunk further reported that she was attempting to arrange three professors at the University of Wisconsin to assist with the grant writing. Potentially funds could be provided to study the lakes, inventory existing storm water structures and design solutions to control storm water contaminating and maintain the watershed.

F. **Whispering Trails:**

G. Wrench reported that the development of Whispering Trails now has sod and grass seed in place in the drainage ditches. He further commented that the settlement pond originally intended to have 5' for settlement, only has 1' available.

G. **Storm Water Ordinances:**

C. Saul discussed the EPA recommended storm water ordinance language available through the state under pending legislation. Saul suggested that the proposed construction and post construction texts were sufficiently complex to require engineering assistance to finally draft. He encouraged review of the language by the Village engineer and adoption by the Village. All present concurred, although a quorum was no longer available for a motion to be considered. The issue would be discussed again at a future meeting.

D. Griffin endorsed the plan and noted that the Village Board has been intending to update a number of Village ordinances.

New Business:

A. **Lake Elizabeth – Eastside Run-off:**

J. Wamsley addressed the Committee, commenting that storm water run-off has been realized in the Cobblestone Court development as a result of the tree clearing performed in the new Whispering Trails subdivision. Wamsley had been in contact with Peter Wood of the DNR regarding the issue. Wamsley's issue was not entirely apparent as she left prior to being able to fully discuss her thoughts.

B. **Lake Elizabeth Dam:**

G. Wrench noted that he had discussed the dam configuration with Ed Collins of McHenry County. Wrench commented that the dam could be improved with the design of a spillway, rather than the existing board being replaced and removed. He noted that Collins agreed with the approach, and McHenry County would discuss it in committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for:

Thursday, April 8, 2004
7:00 p.m.
Twin Lakes Village Hall, 108 Main Street