

Water Quality, Lake Habitat, Fish and Fishing Committee
Minutes of Meeting
January 11, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm.

Present: Bryan Neal, Bob Gaftman, Les Skinner, Art Lukowicz, Doug Welch-DNR
Absent: Gene Ploskonka, William Draganski

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2006, meeting was made by Les Skinner, seconded by Bob Gaftman, passed.

Old Business: Neal reported on the Steering Committee meeting. The village failed to receive grant money for the Esch St. project. They have hired a firm that helps towns obtain grant money from the state and will try again.

The walk through to inventory property owned by the village did not nearly reach all of the properties. There will be a moratorium on the sale of any public property. This subject to be reviewed at the next meeting.

No action was taken on merging our committee with the Aquatic Plant and Invasive Committee.

The water level of the lakes is relatively high for this time of the year. The dam board has remained in place throughout the winter. A recommendation was made to remove it but ice on the lake in early winter prevented this from happening. Doug Welch suggested talking to the Dam Department of the DNR in Milwaukee to see if historical data on water level is available. Neal will pursue.

The new buoy barge should be available by spring. The capacity will be about 10,000 pounds and it will have a stationery winch.

New Business: the meeting centered on Doug Welch from the DNR. He specializes in fish and stocking.

The DNR will stock Lake Mary in 2007 as follows:

11,025 walleye in June, 2007.

2-3 inches long, 2-3 months old.

Depending on conditions in the lake, they could grow to about 12-15 inches in 3-4 years.

745 northern pike in September, 2007.

6-8 inches long, 6-8 months old.

The stocking will take place every two years, the next being in 2009. At that time, walleye and northern will probably be the species brought in. The fish would be introduced at Lance Park. A discussion followed as to using the buoy barge to transport the fish to a more desirable location where there would be more cover and a no wake zone. Welch was receptive to this and would work with us, but it could be a logistics problem.

Lake Elizabeth is a different story. Since no public access has yet been established, no stocking has been planned for 2007. Orders for fish have already been placed for 2007 and the DNR has Lake Elizabeth on record as having no approved public

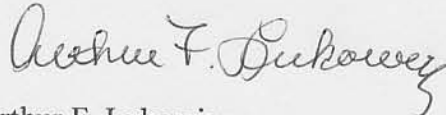
access. The DNR is presently planning the stocking program for 2008. **Unless public access, approved by the DNR, is provided by Twin Lakes by June of 2007, no stocking will be provided in 2008.** Welch will provide Neal with the requirements necessary to qualify a public access site. He had no objection to privately stocking as was done in 2006.

A fish survey was conducted in Lake Mary in October, 2004. The survey was along the entire shoreline. The results showed no major problems in population or species. The bluegill population was on the high side and the bass were on the small side, not uncommon to lakes in the area. A copy of the survey is attached. Another survey will probably be done in 2010. Lake Elizabeth will be scheduled after public access is approved, 2008 at the earliest.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2007. Mr. Craig Helker of the DNR will attend and discuss water quality and testing.

A motion for adjournment was made by Skinner, seconded by Graftman, passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arthur F. Lukowicz". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Arthur F. Lukowicz