

## ***The Church Pine, Round and Big Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District Annual Members Informational Meeting***

**Sat. May 17, 2008 9:30 am Immanuel Lutheran Church**

The meeting was called to order at 9:40am with the introduction of the Board. First speakers were Frank Kashere, Northern Region Plant Management Consultant and Mark Sandeen, Aquatic Manager, tel 715-392-0807). Their report:

- 1) Recommended we update our aquatic survey (our last one is 7-8 years old done by Barr Engineering)
- 2) We need a more realistic assessment and can achieve that by hiring a consultant to develop APM Plan and get permits – DNR has increased funding for invasive species identification/eradication by \$5,000,000 so there is more money available than previous years..
- 3) We should apply for “Lake Planning Control” Grant and “AIS” Grant (Key to gaining grant money is to stay hands on involved as a District with “clean water, clean boats,” programs such as boat landing inspections or if there are new invasive species problems: i.e., Hydrilla – see sample Control Plan UW Website).
- 4) We are most likely to be approved for lake wide mechanical cutting or herbicide weed removal based on the following:
  - Navigation problems vs. navigation inconveniences)
  - Protect native plants vs. remove native plants
  - Aesthetics such as “algae bloom, pea soup” not usually considered, but rather focus on protecting native plants protect:
- 5) No permit is required to remove weeds in front of lot if following conditions are met:
  - 30’ wide as far from shore as desired
  - Must be manual (not motorized)
  - Can be hired out
- 6) Plant survey - \$40K-\$120K Annual Plant Management Grant: 25% we pay/75% state pays
  - Staff to help: Pamela Toshner and Joan Hisccke
  - \$5 million/annually
  - Aug.1<sup>st</sup> and Feb.1<sup>st</sup> deadlines
  - Macro survey due by 08/01/08
  - Recommend we hire Cheryl Clemmons
  - Grid based plant study using GPS vs. line survey.

Art Gamache requested feedback regarding a proposed “short term lake home rentals” amendment by the Land Information Committee to the Shoreland ordinance. A Motion to not approve lessening restrictions was made by Diane Marten which Jill Paulson seconded motion and it passed by verbal vote.

Boat Patrol Report by Office John DeBois - Patrol will work in 4 hour shifts for a total of 250 total hours Fri/Sat/Sun and Holidays. The citations and tickets will be processed through the Circuit Court. Patrol Phone number is 715-284-3628.

Rick Thomson, Midwest Weed Harvesting Report – 763-238-1012. His company recommends mechanical harvesting which is effective alternative to herbicide and they will give us a bid when ready.

Jerry Schlagel gave Treasury/Budget details and reported that audit had been completed.

Tim Formo Report – Clean Boats, Clean Water – signed up volunteers to work at Boat Landings and take weed samples.

Mary Hazzard Report – website update and statistics, appeal to volunteers for Board and Committees, email list, Fishing Contest

Meeting Adjourned at 12 noon

## **The Church Pine, Round, Big Lake P & R District Special Meeting**

The Special Member Meeting took place on Sat. Aug 23, 2008 8:00 am prior to the Annual Fall Meeting at the West Immanuel Lutheran Church - Fellowship Hall to amend the 2008 budget for the following:

1. To replace the patrol boat and/or motor
2. Fish stocking

The Special meeting called to order at 8:05 a.m. Introduction of Board Members including Merle Paulson, Mary Hazzard, Tim Formo, Nate Wendt, Jerry Schlagel, Helen Johnson – Parliamentarian, and Art Gamache – Polk County

### **Agenda:**

#1 Patrol Boat – current condition: 1982 era motor and boat leaks. Tilt and trim doesn't work. DNR pays 71.4% for the biennial and we can write the purchase off over 5 years.

Jerry Schlagel passed out several price quotes for various combinations including: Motor only/Boat and motor only from Sunnyside Marina and Warmers Dock.

Motion made by Dick Larson and Seconded by Jill Paulson to spend up to \$12,000 limit on motor, boat & trailer. Discussion took place and a new motion was made by Dick Larson, Seconded by Steve Paulson, to increase the upper spending limit to \$17K. A suggestion was made to scrap out the old aluminum boat. Voted by show of hands 23 in favor, 1 opposed. Also a 5 person ad hoc committee was formed to research boats and motors including: Jerry Schlagel, Tim Formo, Tom Diaz, Dave Zanick, Steve Paulson.

#2 Fish Stocking report given by Nate Wendt: If District wants to raise our own fish, which would reduce the cost by about 50%, it takes two years to get permit and the Permit cost is \$500. If we purchase, the current price is \$1.70 per walleye fingerling. A Motion made by Steve Paulson, Seconded by Brent Martin, to match Big Store \$2600 donation for a total of \$5200 for walleye stocking in 2008. Motion passed unanimously.

Tom Diaz motioned to adjourn, Steve Paulson seconded, and Motion passed to adjourn at 8:45 am.

## The Church Pine, Round, Big Lake P & R District Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual Member Meeting took place on Sat. Aug 23, 2008 9:00 am immediately following the Special Meeting at the West Immanuel Lutheran Church - Fellowship Hall. The Meeting was called to order at 9:14 a.m. Meeting called to order.

### Agenda

1. Introduction of Board Members including: Merle Paulson, Mary Hazzard, Tim Formo, Nate Wendt, Jerry Schlagel, Helen Johnson – Town of Garfield (who acted as our Parliamentarian) and Art Gamache – Polk County - Merle gave a synopsis of the just finished special meeting for new arrivals.
2. May 2008 Member Meeting Minutes were read. Tom Diaz made motion to accept, Steve Paulson Seconded and they were approved by voice vote.
3. Treasurer's report was given by Jerry Schlagel. Tom Diaz made motion to accept, Steve Paulson Seconded and it was approved by voice vote.
4. Budget - 2009 budget line-by-line explanation including the following:
  - Weed survey to be done by Steve Shafer in June and August 2009 using a GPS Grid to ensure surveying of major bloom of the Curly leaf pond (which dies off by early July) and other species
  - Purple loosestrife, a major problem on Big Lake, can be removed without DNR approval and should be removed right away as it is currently in bloom and easily recognized.
  - A Motion was made by Tom Diaz, Seconded by Steve Paulson, to add \$5K to weed control in 2009 budget. Motion was passed unanimously. A Motion made by Tom Diaz, Seconded by Rob Starbuck, approved unanimously to add \$5000 for a total of \$26,000 levy (vs. \$21,000) (revised 2009 budget)

### Proposed 2009 Budget:

#### **Expenditures: \$25,801 Total**

\$ 500	Education and Travel
\$3800	Aquatic Plant Management Grant Application and Survey
\$3001	Weed control (from 2008 budget)
\$5000	Water Patrol
\$2500	Insurance
\$1000	Mailings, notices and newsletter
\$1000	Website
\$3000	Clean Boat Clean Waters
\$5000	Bridge Payment
\$1000	Miscellaneous

#### **Revenue; \$34,000 Total**

\$26,000	Levy (reflects the \$5000 increase approved at the annual meeting)
\$ 8,000	Grants (projected)

5. Nominations were called three times and closed by a motion made by Tom Diaz and Seconded by Diane Marten. Ballots were distributed, collected and counted. Bob Meyer, Church Pine Lake and Tim Formo, Big Lake, were elected to the Board by 25 votes each.
6. Reports regarding our Website, Water clarity (taken on 8/16/08 - 5.5" Big Lake; 9.0" Round Lake; 18" Pine Lake: Oxygen Levels - 3-12" Big Lake; 3-6" Round Lake, 10-25" Pine Lake)
7. New business - None

Steve Paulson made motion to adjourn, Seconded by Rob Starbuck, meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.