

APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS
PIPE LAKES PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT
August 10, 2013**

ATTENDING:

Curt Deering, Greg Warner, Joe Zaspel (Johnstown Board Representative), and Herschel Brown (Polk County Representative).

Absent: Tom O'Hern, Stephanie Boysen

GUESTS: Larry Bresina

MEETING:

Chair, Curt Deering called the Meeting to order, at 8:00 AM.

Public Comment:

Mr. Bresina shared that the Polk Count Association of Lakes and Rivers still has openings for their web site class.

Minutes Approved:

The minutes of the July 20, 2013, meeting was approved with changes.

Treasurer Report:

In Mr. O'Hern's absence, Mr. Deering reviewed year to date financials and the proposed budget for 2014. The proposed 2014 budget was approved for consideration by the District at the Annual Meeting on August 31, 2013.

Old Business:

Mr. Zaspel commented on the continued use of boat landings at the south end of the lake. Permission by the landowner will be sought to post signs and perhaps install posts to prevent boat landings.

Mr. Warner reported that a replacement has been found for the CBCW project. Randall Braun has been hired and began training on August 10. Other provisions for providing uninterrupted staffing at the boat landing were discussed. This includes training another individual or use of a temp agency.

The Commission acknowledged the many volunteer hours many people have contributed to the many activities occurring on the lake to monitor and access water quality. Although several individuals have records and information pertaining to these activities, it was noted there was no central repository of these valuable data. A motion was made and approved directing Mr. Warner to work with Lake District residents to document and create a central repository for procedures and

monitoring data. This is to include scheduling of staff at the boat landing and water monitoring schedules and persons participating.

It has been suggested that a Water Quality Committee be re-established. Volunteers will be sought at the picnic and annual meeting.

Mr. Deering reviewed correspondence from Ms. Carol Vantine requesting direction for the remaining time for the Shoreland Protection Grant. Mr. Deering will discuss options with Ms. Vantine. (Curt, I wasn't certain what to say hear. I did not want to get into the potential for increasing the dollar amounts until we knew if we could. Please feel free to edit/add. Thanks)

New Business:

Polk County Update:

Mr. Brown reported that the County is considering a permit to be effective 2014 allowing RV or travel trailers to be parked on county land. AN approved septic system is required.

He also stated the county is considering discontinuing their role in home health. Currently, twenty other agencies provide this service in the county.

Township Update:

Mr. Zaspel reported that several roads around Pipe Lake have been re-graveled or resurfaced this year.

A Request for Proposal is being developed to bring the Township building up to code. This upgrade would allow for meetings being held there.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:15

Respectfully

Greg Warner, Secretary