

Rushford Lake Recreation District
Re-organizational Meeting
August 8, 2008

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Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair, Deb Aumick. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Deb Aumick
Gene Morton
Dave Hirsch
Brad Coon
William Szabo, Treasurer
Rhonda Kozlowski, Secretary

Absent: Rick Gaczewski

Guests: William A Witkopf
Kathy Hock
Janet Gaczewski
Mary Stanczewski
Charlie Stewart
Angie Biber
Gary Clinton
Mary A Witkopf
Jason Young
Geoffrey White
Richard Schilling
Mary Stewart
James J Hock
Robert Weed
Thomas J Thomas
Grace Young
Frank Stanczewski
Joe L'Annunziata
Allen Hirsch
Judy Wirth
Mary Jo Hubbard

Upon motion by Dave, moved to executive session for discussion of personnel at 7:32 PM. Returned to regular session at 8:28 PM upon motion by Gene.

William Szabo opened the nominations for Chair. Gene nominated Deb for Chair. No other nominations. Secretary cast one ballot.

Dave nominated Brad for Vice Chair. No other nominations. Secretary cast one ballot.

Welcomed Brad Coon to the board and noted that he had been administered the oath of office on Tuesday, August 5, 2008.

Agenda approved upon motion by Brad. Minutes stand as written.

Requests

Noted Earl Rhoney has submitted the materials list for a break-wall as requested and all agreements are signed.

Reed, Richard and Susan. 8562 Sunset Road. Area K. B443. License request approved upon motion by Dave.

Discussed Salzman / Hanel concerns noting they have agreed to make the best of the situation for this season. The community dock will be applying for a permit to reconstruct the dock in the fall. Agreed to send a letter requesting an application be on file by September 1 of 2008.

Seiferth, Fred. 8358 Trail 6. Area H. L118. Break-wall request tabled pending review to see if an electric certificate is on file.

Woodward, Scott and Lucille. 8406 Trail 6. Area H. L164. License request approved upon motion by Dave.

Evaniak, Nick and Sue. Request to replace dock with a floating dock was tabled pending an agreement from Earl Buncy who shares the dock.

Craig, William. Request for a slip on a community dock was tabled pending more information.

Wagonblott, Don and Caren. 8596 Sunset Road. Area K. B456. Tabled request for a license pending a community dock agreement and staking out the slip.

Conlon, John and Catherine. 8412 Trail 6. Area H. L166. Upon motion by Dave, license request approved pending receipt of electric certificate.

White, Geoffrey and Kristie. 8204 Lakeshore Drive. Area G. L226. Upon motion by Brad a license and dock replacement, break-wall construction were approved. They will be notified that the dock may be in danger from ice because of its elevation and suggest they consider cantilevering.

Committee Reports

Approved a request by Dan Harris to remove two cherry trees in the cove upon motion by Brad.

Reported a floating platform numbered 158 is in unsafe condition. Upon motion by Dave they will be notified to remove the platform.

Reported Charles Sherry has cut a tree below the 1450' elevation line and built stairs. Upon motion by Dave he will be notified to replace the tree and reminded that no work may be done on District property without a current permit or he risks losing use of District property.

Reported Merrill Arthur has installed a dock and personal watercraft lift without permission. Upon motion by Dave, he will be notified that he has until August 30, 2008 to apply for a permit.

Noted several residents have placed mooring buoys in the lake. A suggestion was made to note in the newsletter that mooring buoys are illegal and will be removed.

Noted several residents are mooring watercraft at floating platforms. A suggestion was made to note in the newsletter that this is a navigational hazard and the practice must be discontinued.

Noted a travel trailer parked near docks 111 and 101. Suggested a letter be sent notifying them that the travel trailer must be removed from District property.

Discussed launching of watercraft taking place at Hutton's Bay. It was noted the gate is normally locked. Suggested a sign stating NO BOAT LAUNCHING. Deb abstained from discussion.

Agreed to send the campground owner a letter notifying him that all launching must be done at the Balcom Beach launch site. Discussed contacting the D.E.C. to inquire whether permits are required in this area for docks and the launch.

Old Business

Discussed the Rush Creek channel. The survey is completed. Suggested asking the public works department if they will plot the survey. Agreed to send the PWD a thank you letter and asking them if they could plot or suggest a firm to assist with planning. There has been no D.E.C filing to date.

Discussed an invoice received from the Belmont Hardware. No one claims to have done business with them and there is no signature on the invoice. The invoice is for bleach, paint, brushes and scouring pads. Gene will try to straighten this out.

Discussed the previous agreement with Dale and Grace Young regarding replanting a tree, removing the old stump and correcting the dock and break-wall. Upon motion by Gene the previous agreement is to be adhered to and completed by the end of 2008. Deb abstained from the discussion and vote. Motion carried.

New Business

Tom Thomas reported on the lake level. He noted the stories people are hearing are incorrect. The water level was a little high (1440.6') and a release began to bring the level to 1440.3'.

Discussed a letter received from the Landowner Association requesting a legislation change to encompass control over Ryan's Trailer Park (Streamside) and the campground area. It was noted everything that comes down the creek affects the lake. Noted the campground owner has already circumvented the District. Agreed a letter be sent asking for a meeting before August 30, 2008. An explanation will be offered in the letter.

Finance

Discussed budget items for 2009. Bill Szabo submitted disbursements for board approval.

Agreed to have Deb Aumick and Brad Coon complete signature cards at M & T Bank and remove all other signatures.

Adjourned 10:35 PM

Submitted by,

Rhonda Kozlowski
District Secretary