

Rock Koshkonong Lake District 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: July 24, 2010
Location: Fort Atkinson High School
926 Lexington Street, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin
Present: Brian Christianson, Ray Lunder, Jeff Folk, Dave Brown, Frank Micale,
Ed Sandner
Absent: Mary Mawhinney

1. Call to Order. 9:05 a.m.
 - A. Chairman Christianson went through some rules so the meeting will be orderly and efficient.
 1. Step to the microphone stand to speak, have your ballot card.
 2. State your name and address in the District.He announced the public notice of the meeting was legally posted.
2. Approve 2010 Agenda – A motion was made and seconded to approve the presented 2010 meeting agenda. On a voice vote, the motion passed. Chairman Christianson at this time introduced the commissioners and consultants present.

Minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting

Secretary Ed Sandner presented the minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting. Chairman Christianson asked for any corrections or additions, there being none, a motion to approve the 2009 Annual Meeting minutes was made, seconded and approved.

3. Annual Audit report of 2009

Audit Committee Representative Dave Larsen stated after review of the Rock Koshkonong Lake District finances he found all in proper order. No motion was needed at this time.

Treasurer Ray Lunder gave a brief report of account balances for 2009.

Operations Funds	\$ 95,393.67
Balance in Indianford Dam Fund	\$439,566.58
Lake Improvement Fund	<u>\$ 25,881.62</u>
Total of All Funds	\$ 560,841.87

4. Chairman's Report.

Chairman Christianson requested a moment of silence for past RKLD Chairman and founder Jim Folk who passed away this past spring.

Chairman Christianson explained the Friends of Lake Koshkonong Award named for Jim Folk, will be presented later in this meeting.

At this time, Chairman Christianson explained the special charge for 2009 was \$35.00 and the Board would be recommending a fee of \$50.00 per parcel for this coming year.

Chairman Christianson gave a summary of funds in all accounts. The proposed per parcel increase of \$15.00 will increase income by \$50,000.

Project Update – In 2002 and 2003, the RKLD approached the Army Corp of Engineers regarding the 206 Project. One million dollars was earmarked for the project by the Federal Government. The money was lost because no plan was established. In 2009, the RKLD again met with the Army Corp

of Engineers about the PAS Grant that was introduced which requires matching funds or grants. Money and In-Kind services from ACOE and WDNR will match the \$100,000 state appropriation received in the 2009-2010 state budget - totaling approximately \$360,000.

Public Workshop Update – Two workshops have been held, one at Fort Atkinson High School, and one at Anchor Inn in Newville. The last workshop will be held after Labor Day, a date announcement will be made and proper notice will be given to residents.

5. Water Level Proceedings Report

Special guests Marybeth Peranteau, Wheeler Van Sickle and Anderson S.C.

She stated the brief was filed in October 2008, and there has been no word on the proceedings to date. The RKLD filed a notice of supplemental authority asking for a decision, and informing the court of the DNR decision to raise the water level by 6 inches on a lake in Waukesha County.

Questions from the audience were answered.

Chairman Christianson stated most of the expenses were behind us in the court hearing

6. Operational Report

A. John Lefers, Montgomery Associates. LLC

John gave a power point presentation on recent water levels, which have been fluctuating. The water is now 38 inches above target level. A new water level and flow gauge has been installed at Route 59 by the USGS. The gauge at Indian Ford will be abandoned.

The DNR is formulating plans to reduce the number of sediment and nutrients into the river system. FEMA and the DNR are looking into resetting the flood plain levels because of the 2008 flood. The RKLD, DNR and the Army Corp of Engineers are collaborating in the project program. There are four goals.

1. to improve navigation
2. improve water quality, wetlands and fish populations
3. to preserve and increase economic values
4. make the lake a recreation destination

Progress report on current project:

1. Bottom contour map is complete. Previous maps are from 1960.
2. Lake is filling with sediment and sediment samples have been collected to check for containments, none have been found.
3. Two public workshops have been completed. In the first workshop, ideas were collected from the public. In the second one, costs were laid out and ideas and concepts were reviewed. All comments are appreciated.

B. Steve Hjort – Senior Biologist ECO – Resource Consulting.

A survey of Mud Lake and surrounding wetlands is in progress. Mud Lake usually holds water for most of the year. A survey was done on July 13. Water was very clear. Many species of fish were observed and he recommends Mud Lake be used for a fish planting and nursing area. Also recommended that the carp gate at Mud Lake be repaired. A plan to return to Mud Lake the first week of August for further observation. Questions from the audience were answered.

John Lefers gave examples of different projects being studied, including dredging and breakwaters. Budgets for these projects will be established. Permits will be obtained from the Army Corp of Engineers and the DNR for ongoing projects. The permits will be issued for approximately 10 years.

C. Rob Montgomery, Montgomery Associates

Rob stated there is a good working relationship with the Army Corp of Engineers, the DNR and the RKLK. The Army Corp has a great deal of experience and data on projects being discussed. Topics currently being explored are navigation, shoreline erosion and the longevity of dredging. Lake water quality needs to be improved because all projects will depend on the quality of water entering the lake. All proposals will be posted on the website. Recommendations will be presented to members of the Board and voted on at the annual meeting

7. Special Guests

FOLK Award - Chairman Christianson presented this award to Representative Andy Jorgensen. Representative Jorgensen has been a strong supporter of the RKLK and responsible for securing funding for project research. Andy thanked the Lake District for their support and will continue to support the Lake District in every way possible. Chairman Christianson invited all to attend a fundraiser for Representative Jorgensen from 12 – 2 p.m. today at Norms Hideaway.

8. Presentation of the Proposed 2011 Annual Budget

Treasurer Ray Lunder presented the proposed budget for 2011 as posted in the Annual Newsletter. Discussion followed.

9. Consideration and Vote on proposed 2011 Annual Budget.

After a brief discussion, a motion and second was made from the floor to adopt the 2011 Budget as presented by the RKLK. On a show of cards vote, the motion passed.

10. Election of (2) Commissioners to Serve Terms expiring in 2013.

Nominees are:

1. Ray Lunder
2. Ed Sandner

No nominees were made from the floor.

A motion was made and seconded for unanimous consent vote. The motion passed. Both nominees were elected.

12. Adjourn - A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the annual Lake District meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Immediately following the meeting, the board convened for a brief meeting to elect the board positions.

A motion was made to appoint Brian Christianson to the Chairman position. This motion was seconded and passed. Brian Christianson will continue on as the Chairman of the Board.

A motion was made to appoint Ray Lunder to the Treasurer position. This motion was seconded and passed. Ray will continue as Treasurer of the Board.

A motion was made to appoint Ed Sandner to the Secretary position. This motion was seconded and passed. Ed will continue as Secretary of the Board.

This meeting was adjourned after the board appointments.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Sandner Secretary
Rock-Koshkonong Lake District