

Rock Koshkonong Lake District

Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Rock-Koshkonong Lake District

Date: April 5, 2004

Attendees: Jim Folk, Ray Lunder, Frank Micale, Brian Christianson, Mary Mawhinney, Bill O'Connor and Steve Hjort.

Also, about 10 observers

1. Call to Order. 6:55
 - a. Approval of the minutes from March 1, 2004
 - i. Brian made a motion to approve the minutes, Second by Ray.
 - b. Treasurers Report.
 - i. Jerry wasn't present, so the Treasurers report will be delayed until our next monthly meeting.

2. Bid process for Dam Management.
 - a. Bill talked about the advantages and disadvantages of hiring an Employee, or sub contracting to take care of the dam management. We can either advertise for bids for a contractor, or hire a part-time employee. We need a lead role to manage the dam, check water levels daily, check the situation at the dam with a physical inspection, and cleaning of the trash racks and gates.
 - b. Jim has done the bulk of the work for all of the administrative work for the Lake District up until now, as an active board member. The board needs to consider how the board will manage without a part time employee when Jim is gone after his last term this summer. Could consider a part time employee for administrative work, and dam management.
 - c. If a dam operator is contracted by the Lake District and the cost exceeds \$2,500, this work would have to go to bid by state law.
 - d. Frank made a motion to put together a job description for dam operation, and get this to Bill for approval and advice, and advertise for this position. Ray seconded this motion.

3. Agenda and newsletter for annual meeting.
 - a. The meeting is proposed for July 24, 2004. We will check on getting the Fort H.S. again for this meeting. Groups were formed to get the newsletter done, work on the budget, get the power point presentation done, and acquire all the relevant numbers for this meeting.

4. Budget Discussion.

- a. Jerry will put together a preliminary budget for our next fiscal year. The board will be working on this over the next few weeks to get this finalized, and provide the necessary detail to explain some of the major budget estimates.
5. Water Level and EIR response.
 - a. Bill has drafted a final letter to the DNR to accompany the final version of the requested information for the EIR report. This will be submitted to the DNR shortly, and then the DNR would have to report back in one of three ways. Accept our order change, reject our order change, or grant an administrative hearing.
6. Dam closing update.
 - a. All of the necessary repairs to the dam have been complete since our inspection and list of items that needed to be taken care of. It is likely that the dam closing will be in late May or June of 2004.
 - b. Rock County is in the process addressing deed restriction to allow power generation, and will finish the last few repairs that need to be completed.
 - c. When the closing occurs, the Lake District will be responsible for all operations of the dam on a daily basis. This is why we needed to draft a job description, and will see what availability there is from any party that can meet the qualifications.
7. Any Appropriate new business to come before the Board.
 - a. Lake monitoring will resume again this year. Tom Kelly volunteered to help with this. Ray and Brian also volunteered to do monitoring.
 - b. Steve would like more volunteers for the lake monitoring.
8. Adjourn.
 - a. A motion was made by Brian, and seconded by Frank to adjourn.
 - b. 7:55 p.m.

Ray Lunder Secretary
Rock-Koshkonong Lake District