



**LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES of 6-21-14**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mason, at 08:00 A.M.

A. Attendance: Present: Chairman Mason, Greg Wisniewski, Don Sukala, Nestor Dyhdalo, Jack Sorenson and Peter Van Kampen. Rick Callaway was not present and excused.

B. Agenda: The agenda for the June 21st, 2014 meeting of the Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District (“District”) was approved on a Peter / Greg motion and passed unanimously.

C. Open Meeting Requirements: Chairman Mason stated that input for the easement under discussion with the Kettle Moraine Land Trust had been submitted by each board member individually and then compiled. He stated that it did not trigger a “Rolling Quorum”. He then explained that a Rolling Quorum could occur thru back and forth e-mails of the board members, which we should be aware of and avoid. Even Committee Meetings have to comply with the Open Meetings requirements include notice of meetings and the keeping of Minutes.

D. Minutes: After brief discussion, the Minutes of the May 3rd, 2014 meeting as amended, were approved on a Peter / Scott Motion and passed unanimously.

E. Update on engineering at Sterlingworth Bay:

Jack gave an update on the investigation for the underground sewer pipe at the South end of Sterlingworth Bay. He stated that on June 9th Patrick Engineering performed site exploration for the sewer pipe by using both Ground Penetrating Radar and Electro-magnetic imaging. After setting up a grid, they then sweep the area with the machines and take the data back to the office where a computer compiles the data with the locations and would show images of what may be below the ground level. Peter VanKampen observed most of the day and Jack was there in the morning. Jack then reported that Manhard Engineering is working on the shoreline stabilization design for the South end of Sterlingworth Bay and will use the results of the testing described above to help in the design of the shoreline work.

F. Discuss Amendment to Conservation Easement:

Chairman Mason stated that each member of the District board had sent him comments of their review of the draft of the easement that the attorney for the Kettle

Moraine Land Trust (KMLT) had provided to the District. Chairman Mason further stated that from his review of the responses he did not think the District would be in support of the easement as written and that we should start a working meeting between a couple of members of the KMLT and the District. Chairman Mason asked for brief District Board comments and a few were stated supporting the notion that the easement was unacceptable as written. Jerry Petersen, President of KMLT who was in the audience, stated that at the time of the KMLT's original accreditation with the American Land Trust (ALT), the easement over the District property was not reviewed closely by the ALT because of pending issues with the board walks on the District property. Jerry stated that at the time of the KMLT's re-accreditation by the ALT, this easement will be reviewed very closely, therefore it is important that discussions continue and a resolution to the language is agreed upon. The KMLT and District will continue discussions in a working meeting.

G. Update on Terry Pier:

Chairman Mason stated that all of the briefs and documentation following the Hearing have now been submitted to the Court and that a decision by the Judge is anticipated near the end of June. He stated that both parties have the right to appeal the decision.

H. Consideration of Aquatic Plant Management Plan: Greg stated that the Aquatic Weed sampling that has been suggested every three to five years will now be required by the DNR every five years. We will be required by the DNR to sample the entire lake on a grid so the sampling occurs at the same coordinates each time. He stated that in 1999 we were required to sample at 285 locations, in 2008 sample at 290 locations and now we are required to sample at 1779 locations (which he tried to have reduced). This data will be used to determine trend line changes in each location over the ensuing years. Greg applied for a Grant which was not received, on behalf of the District, in January to cover the cost of the sampling and reports. The DNR has agreed to do the sampling in Middle Lake and the District will hire a contractor to sample other locations and file reports. Greg then stated that he received four bids for the sampling work and the low bid was Stantec with a fixed fee of \$8,604. The report will be issued next spring. Greg pointed out that when the water depth exceeds 20 feet no samples are taken. A Motion to approve the Stantec bid was made by Greg and seconded by Peter and passed unanimously.

I. Consider revision to Septic Pumping Program Administration: Peter presented a very comprehensive slide show giving the history and evolution of the Septic Pumping program by the District. He described how the spreadsheets for tracking the pumping and billing were created, and how County information was used for these systems and for our District voting and registrar listings. He explained the County's recent changes of tracking the septic data to an "on-line" system. He discussed how these changes affect the District and the District Septic program. He stated that the County requires all systems to be pumped every three years and the County "on-line system now is set up for individuals to report their pumping activities but it is not set up for entities like Lake Districts to easily manage their territorial jurisdictions. We discussed the continuation of the District program and felt that the program is helping to protect the

lake environment. The County still has the authority to enforce corrections to systems which are operating poorly. The new County system will not be helpful in providing lists of residents within the District territory.

Peter explained the code system for the various pumping situations and billing possibilities that now exist. There are 72 possible combinations of pumping (i.e. codes) and we commonly use approximately 23 codes; the variables are items such as septic pump size, hose distance, holding tank size, high rise pump situation, aerobic systems, empty lots, etc. However, the standard pump code and cost is utilized for about 85% of the pumps within the District.

After Peters analysis, he recommended the following changes be considered for the Districts septic operation; a) the District reduce the number of Codes utilized possibly to one (Peter showed a chart of various code reduction scenarios); b) the Holding Tank “code” or pumping situation be dropped altogether from the District Program as Holding tanks have to be pumped much more frequently than once every three years and it is very unlikely that they will cause an environmental concern for the Lake; c) Nestor to get the District mailing lists from the County for voting and other purposes separately of the Pumping Program; and d) the District (with the help of the pumping company) begin to identify A tanks and B tanks, (A tanks being in good shape and B tanks being tanks that are worthy of being watched for environmental problems) at some point the District could give consideration of pumping only B tanks. Chairman Mason stated that the County’s three year pumping requirements do not apply to old “grandfathered” tanks, which may be the very tanks that would cause the most concern.

After discussion, a motion was made by Greg, seconded by Jack to: a) to initiate a one code billing system as of July 1st 2014; b) drop pumping of holding tanks from the program; c) require the pumper to identify “A” and “B” tanks; d) setup an “exempt” code for aerobic tanks and holding tanks and e) Nestor will follow up on the mailing/voting listings for the District with the County separately from the pumping program, after further discussion, the motion passed with five voting in favor and one vote opposed.

J. Project Reports:

Town Report: Don stated that the Town of LaGrange is looking at blacktopping the Bubbling Springs Ramp, using funds from the Launch Fees. Five “no motoring” buoys have been installed in the sensitive area along the north shore of the west end of Middle Lake. Don reported that the Town is also purchasing five “no anchor zone” special buoys for placement in the Green Lake congested bay areas and that more will be purchased as needed.

County Report: No Report

Water Patrol Report: Nestor stated that the Patrol is up and running with a few equipment problems. An additional defibrillator was purchased with the donation funds from Pleasant Lake, this combined with the defibrillator donated by the Improvement Association means that we now have a defibrillator on every patrol boat. Nestor stated that we have given keys to the patrol boat on Pleasant Lake to the Town for use in an emergency situation.

Treasury: Nestor stated that generally the budget looks good and that we have received the first 2014 revenues from the County and expecting the second

payment from the County in August. He stated that the legal bills have been over budget.

Septic Pumping: The report was covered as a special agenda item J.

Pier Inspector: Peter stated that the inspector is busy with 15 to 20 new pier applications. Peter stated that the pier north of the Sterlingworth Launch will be replaced and he suggested reversing the boat parking to the north side of the pier to prevent conflict with the launch. The owner agreed and the Town will also install a row of bumper'd posts along the north side of the launch area to further separate the uses.

Weed Harvesting: Greg reported that the Weed Harvester equipment was operational in May and in June the first month of harvesting we collected 10.5 tons of weeds.

Clean Boats Clean Water: Greg reported that Connor Hamilton has been hired and trained and will be manning the launches.

Dam: Jack reported that he and Peter cleaned vegetation at the dam site on June 9th. We have also received a revised schedule of submittals to the DNR for the dam documents.

Golf Course: Scott reported that this year was a very late opening due to the weather. The Golf Course irrigation system has had various issues but they are being resolved.

K. Other Business:

The Fire work display will be on July 5th, 2014 and should be spectacular.

The next meeting of the District Board is scheduled for July 12, 2014, and will include a review of the budget.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 A.M. on a motion made by Greg and seconded by Peter, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jack Sorenson, Secretary