

Sylvan Lakes Metropolitan District Regular Meeting 8/20/2016 4:05 PM  
Lake County Public Library - AMAX Room

Board Members Present:

Ginny Peros

Greg Conway

Irv Tracy

Alan Agee

Phil Huvall

Attendees:

Ante Peros

Slight delay in opening due to mechanical difficulties. Alan called the meeting to order at 3:20

Motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Greg, seconded by Alan. Any discussion All approved.

Treasurer's report:

Bills from Monson

Deposit from the County

Balance of \$20,934.17 as of 8/19/16.

Alan has had to estimate the Lease expense with the City of Aurora, the maintenance bill which would leave us with \$8,000 at the end of the year so we are doing better than expected. He is working on the proposed budget for the September meeting. He and Irv met to do preliminary number crunching.

\$6,700 is the current amount to lease 10 acre-feet of water for a long-term lease so we need to be careful. The MMLE and HTC leases will also be a continuing expense.

Greg has been paying \$5.—a month for our website. We should have the SLPOA and the SLMD split the expense. The next SLPOA meeting should be over Labor Day weekend and will be brought up then.

Oath of Office for Phil Huval was given by Alan Agee. A notice of appointment was signed by Board Chair and will be scanned, posted and sent to the county.

Old Business: Irv brought up that Pete did not see his concerns listed in the minutes. His concerns about meeting notices and service plan have been mentioned in the minutes, as well as the water easement abandonment issues. Do we need the easement that was created for a water supply to the Subdivision?

We still have not heard back from Lake County Road and Bridge about working together to improve culverts, etc... Ginny and Greg will continue to pursue a meeting with them – maybe at the September meeting. They are in the middle of

grading our road right now and we will try to catch them. There are 3 things that need to be addressed on the Ritacco curve – clean and grub the ditches and build up the bank. We should rent a trencher – a small backhoe on treads. Greg is volunteering to do a comprehensive volumetric increase for between the lakes if there is an improvement to the ditches. We should get an estimate from a contractor who is involved with excavation and lake work. We should request a homeowners work weekend at the next SLPOA meeting. Suggest Phil bring this up at the SLPOA meeting. At his time we need to have Greg coordinate the specifics. I suggest we choose dates in May and October. These dates would provide the labor needed to open the system and get the system ready for the next year

## WATER

We are using some of the HTC water lease as well as the Twin Lakes Water shares right now for receiving water legally into the lakes. If we have to we still have the Aurora water lease if we need to keep water coming in through October.

We need a signed off survey of the lakes for an augmentation plan that goes through the courts. The SWSP does not require that but we will eventually need the official stamp. We need an official stamp before submitting an Augmentation Plan for court approval. Irv feels that according to what Steve has written is that we will be able to keep water through the SWSP for a few years before we need to consider a TABOR election.

We really need to concentrate on fixing the lakes between the Brush Lake 4 and 5. There is a house being built in between these points. A berm needs to be put in on Brush Lake No. 4 to avoid the water re-channeling in a different path. We need to make sure it continues more to the south of the new building site. Greg will take a look at it and decide if we need to bring in more dirt. We will talk to Joe Smith, the owner who is also an excavator, to see if he would be willing to work with us to make this better. Ginny made a motion to begin an e-mail discussion of what the best approach to fix this issue should be. Alan seconded – all in favor.

We need to think about improving the entire lake system to be able to empty the lakes in case we ever are used as storage vessels.

Irv Tracy brought a copy of the official SLMD Service plan. Greg will scan and add it to the website.

## New Business:

We need a DEO = designated election official for when we need to have any elections. Jerry did it in the past. Phil said he was willing to train and do this. Ginny volunteered to help with any elections and Jerry's knowledge and experience will be accessed.

2017 issues brought up by Irv:

How do we save money between evaporation and refill? Refill is at least 15 acre-feet. We are flying blind as we didn't get a good data point this year. When do we get this and how do we save by being prepared. See his Listing of options to reduce cost/number of acre-feet required to support current refill evaporation charges.

He also prepared a preliminary letter for Steve Monson. Alan made a motion that we allow Irv to send this letter to Steve. Greg seconded. Discussion followed. All in favor.

We will create a FAQ list to be added to the website so we don't have to keep reiterating and explaining the same issues.

We need to have a written agreement/commitment with the owners of the Twin Lakes Shares for the use of their water shares for 5 years. It needs to be official for an augmentation plan. Irv volunteered to do this.

We still need to be working with the Lake County Umbrella plan so that if in the next 5 to 10 years we are able to go into their plan we can do so. This also goes with the Ski Cooper Chain. Ginny will volunteer to go the next Ski Cooper Board Meeting and also talk with Chick Ritacco who is good friends with the President of that board.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:40. Greg made a motion, Alan seconded -all in favor

Next meeting will be at 3:00 PM at the Lake County Public Library in the Baby Doe Room Saturday September 10, 2016.