

CUBA LAKE DISTRICT Board of Commissioners
Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held July 10, 2008
At the District's Office, 31 Water Street, Suite 8

Deputy Chairperson Dave Shemeld called the regular meeting to order at 7:01pm

Present: Lynn Sweet
Dave Shemeld
Jerry Collins
Jay Morris
Joseph Higgins EXCUSED

Also Present: John Hart, Attorney EXCUSED
Secretary, Isabel Warren
Treasurer, Andrew Lindquist EXCUSED
Lake Manager-Scott Barrey
Asst. to Mgr.-Dana Harvey-EXCUSED

Recognition of Guests:

Approval of Minutes: Motion made and seconded to accept minutes from June 12, 2008. 4 yes 0 no, MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report:

Following review of reports for the **District Budget** circulated by the Treasurer, a motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's reports for filing. 4 yes, 0 no, MOTION CARRIED.

Following presentation of the **List of Claims of the General Account**, 4431.05. Motion was made and seconded to pay the accounts as listed. 4 yes, 0 no, MOTION CARRIED.

Management Budget:

Following review of the **Budget and the Cash Balance Reports** for June 2008 circulated by the Lake Manager, motion made and seconded to accept PENDING REVIEW. 4 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Following presentation of the **List of Claims of the Management Account** in the amount of \$10328.28. Motion was made and seconded to pay the accounts as listed. 4 yes, 0 no, MOTION CARRIED.

There was a discussion on plans for projects on the lake, i.e. plugged sluice pipes at the "dead man's curve", dredging, etc. Money will be earmarked for specific projects.

Correspondence: see attached Index of Correspondence.

Old Business:

Action List Review:

- #1 & 2 Scott will obtain bids to remove the trees at the north end of the dam. Clean up continues on the dam. Need to get materials to plant vegetation.
- #3 Scott has received two bids for the inundation study: Clark-Patterson for \$11,000 and Woidt for \$15,000. He will get one more.
- #4 It was decided to obtain at least two bids for professional divers to do a dive at the dam.

- #5 A list of tools has been completed. Scott would like to purchase an hydraulic pump for a spare.
- #6 Money from FEMA has not been received yet.
- #7 The north shore sign will be erected in an undisputed spot next week.
- #8 Weeds can be downloaded at both ends of the lake. Dana worked on the hydraulics on the harvester and it is back in operation. A schedule is being worked to have 12 hour harvesting days and pick ups at docks on Fridays.
- #10 It has been discussed with the District attorney and agreed by the commissioners to remove the attorney retainer from the budget. It will not be required that the attorney attend monthly district meetings. He will be paid on an hourly basis for legal services to the district. The \$5000 will be placed under legal fees This will begin now. The budget committee recommended approval of the preliminary budget at \$59,509 with \$49,509 coming from taxes.
- #22 The state and the county must take action to resolve the ownership of the north end of the dam. Scott will send a letter to the state and Lynn will call Thomas Pohl, OGS attorney general.
- #24 Scot will publish on the website the report from the sheriffs on warnings etc. given on the lake and Dave Shemeld will continue work on the navigation laws.

Lake Manager's Report:

Cuba Lake District

Lake Manager's Report for June 12, 2008

- Dam Inspection was done by the D.E.C.
 - I have requested that the report be sent to Slotman/Karns and The Seneca Nation. I will also have one sent to the owner of the parcel where the parking area in on the South Shore. I am waiting on a name and address.
- Looking into who owns the property on the North side of road where the sluice pipes enter the lake. I will also talk to the county highway department about who's responsible for keeping the pipes cleaned out. One is blocked completely and the other is filling up. Something has to be done to correct it.
- I have tried to make contact with the suction dredging company about doing a pilot project along the South Shore but they do not get back to me.
- Audit is underway. I have met with Mr. Bateski.
- Money that was mentioned earlier in the year for a wish list. Apparently this is money to be made available by Mallard Farms. I have been discussing it with John Cappellini
- I have received two quotes for inundation mapping. I am trying to locate an engineering firm for a third quote.
 - Clark Patterson \$ 11,000.00
 - Woitd Engineering \$ 15,820.00
- I have been updating the contact information for high water events and begun laying out and EAP
- I have sent a letter to Mr. Dinsmore of Navigational Aids for assistance with the markers in the Rawson Inlet area.
- CSLAP Testing is underway and running smoothly
 - I would like to purchase a dissolved oxygen meter for testing.
- The harvester hydraulic system has been modified and is working. We have moved the old elevator to the spillway.

- I have received a quote from Ungermann Excavation to modify the Abbott's Creek Sediment Basin. I would like to have them remove material to bring the basin to the creek bed level. I have discussed this with Tom Swift and he thinks it's a good idea.
- FOIL Requests
 - None
- District Sign on North Shore
 - The sign has been taken down. We intend to install it on the bank of the dam this week
- Weed harvesting schedule

Intend to be harvesting 12 hours per day for four days and do dock pick-ups on Friday mornings. We have been making a special effort in the problem areas.

We have Dana, Oren Smith, Bill Warren and Jason Patton sharing the duties.

I am going to check the noise level on the Harvester during cutting operation and determine if hearing protection is required. If so we will purchase hearing protection equipment.

I would like to order a spare hydraulic pump for the harvester
- Permits
 - Inspected layout stakes at Cottage 71 and approved construction
 - Permit to James Bloise III at Cottage 85 to cut tree that is threatening the break wall.
 - Request from Doug Cashing for building a Cottage at lot 45.

Committee Reports:

1. **Building and Lot Improvements/Park Maintenance**-Jerry Collins, Dave Shemeld
2. **Budget and Finance**-Jerry Collins, Dave Shemeld and Andrew Lindquist, ex officio.
3. **Water Quality**-Dave Shemeld, Joseph Higgins, Scott Barrey
4. **State Relations**-Jay Morris, Lynn Sweet.
5. **Public Relations and Dispatch.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution to adopt preliminary budget. NEXT MEETING
2. Selection of election officials. Jerry Collins will contact people.
3. Determination of polling place. Dave Shemeld, 219 W. Shore Rd., Cuba, NY 14727

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LAKE:

1. 100% reassessment of land in the town of Cuba will have a great impact on Cuba Lake cottage owners. Careful watch will need to be taken to insure only the dwellings are assessed. Lynn will look into establishing the worth of an empty lot.
2. All sewer project approvals have been received except for the DEC and Allegany County Public Works.
3. The Seneca Nation of Indians is very interested in being a part of the sewer district. The subject must be brought up before their council.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motions was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Isabel Warren

Next Meeting August 14,2008 at 7PM