

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

Board of Managers, Regular Meeting

Monday, March 7, 2011

The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held in the Cormorant Town Hall, Cormorant Room, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN.

Those present were; managers Jody Beaudine, Jeff Moritz, Gene Olson, Orvis Olson and Ellis Peterson; administrator Woody Olson; guest Joe Lightowler.

Chairperson Ellis called the meeting to order and presented the agenda. Minutes of the February 7 meeting were accepted as previously distributed. The minutes can also be read on the website at cormorantlakeswatershed.org.

10-Year Management Plan: It was suggested that an addition to the plan be made to address steep shoreline areas in the shore impact zone, which can be points of erosion and runoff entry. These will need to be identified, along with failing rip-rap and shoring. Grant funding may be available to support this area. Moriya Rufer is adding action statements to the plan, in support of goals and objectives that have been defined. Once the plan is fully developed a public hearing will be scheduled.

Shoreline specialist: Potential candidates for a part-time shoreline specialist were discussed. This may include development of grant funding for Watershed objectives. The Board will define its expectations for the position.

Overflight analysis: Ellis has been in contact with Allen Cibuzar of A.W. Research regarding a meeting to review of the TSI overflight results. Tentatively, this will be scheduled around the April mid-month meeting.

Lake 603: The lake OHW mark was set by the DNR. Post meeting, per the DNR Field Report forwarded by Erik Jones on 3/13/11, the OHW level is 1368.5'. The highest recorded observation is 1370.5', and the lake run-out (to Upper Cormorant) is 1374.9'.

Annual Audit: The audit is completed and waiting at the auditor's office to be picked up. Woody Pill distribute to the Board and interested parties, and will post it on our website.

Leaf Lake NE Culvert: The culvert is failing, and Audubon Township is aware. Possible joint participation between the watershed and township to address the problem was discussed. Watershed and Township representatives will meet at the site in April, after snow has melted so the culvert can be clearly seen.

Big Cormorant Outlet Control: The outlet will be shut down when Fargo's reported river level reaches 18' (Flood stage). River level information is available at fmweather.com and at www.wday.com/event/tag/group/News/tag/flood/. It takes about 12 days for water from the outlet to reach Fargo.

COLA and BSWCD: Woody will attend Becker COLA monthly meetings and Orvis will attend Becker SWCD board meetings, or coordinate with others to attend. Both meetings are open to others interested in attending.

Other/Misc: - Suggestions for meeting agenda items need to be to Ellis at least a day before the meeting. Due to the dynamic nature of agenda requests, the actual agenda is prepared on the day of the meeting. A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously that Woody will buy Adobe pdf-writer software. Pdf documents are used to manage the documents posted on the website or distributed by email.

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Treasurer's: March 7, 2011 Total balance in all accounts: \$214,254.21

<u>Bills Paid and Income</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>AMT.</u>
• Houston Engineering Big Corm Outlet, 10-yr plan	1305	953.85
• Houston Engineering Terrain survey analysis	506	1655.50
• Benson, Leitheiser, Soberg Annual Audit	1308	1140.00
• Auto Owners Liability Insurance	1309	497.51
• AW Research TSI Overflight Study	1310	2482.50

There being no further business, Chairman Peterson adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Monday, April 4, 2011 at 7:00 PM in Cormorant Center.

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Moritz, Secretary
Prepared by Sherwood Olson, Administrator