

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

Board of Managers, Mid-Month Meeting

Monday, May 17, 2010

The mid-month meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (The Watershed) Board of Managers was held on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Cormorant Town Hall, Cormorant Room, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN.

Those present were; managers Beaudine, Moritz and Peterson; inspectors Erickson and Struble; administrator Henrikson; associate administrator Olson; guests, Joe Lightowler and Merle Zimmerman from the Big Cormorant Lake Association.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and presented the agenda.

The minutes from the May 3 meeting were accepted as distributed. No treasurer's report was given at the mid-month meeting.

The Big Cormorant Lake Association has met with West Central Initiative, a 501c3 organization that supports environmental projects, such as management of Aquatic Invasive Species – AIS. West Central will provide matching grant funds for Big Cormorant's development of an appropriate management plan. West Central requires that either a governmental agency or another 501c3 serve as fiscal host to account for funds; since the effort is consistent with The Watershed's objectives, the Watershed is being asked to fill the fiscal host role. Moritz made a motion, seconded by Beaudine, that The Watershed serve as fiscal host to accept the grant funds and administer payments. Approval was unanimous. There was agreement that requests for disbursements be in writing, with two approvals from the Big Cormorant committee. A copy of these minutes will be sent to West Central (Kim Embertson, 1-800-735-2239) and the Big Cormorant Lake Association.

Peterson will contact A.W. Research to confirm the approval of a watershed flyover to map the Trophic Status Index – TSI – of each lake in the Watershed. Henrikson read the April 5 minutes, with a motion approving the flyover.

The Watershed will pay the Professional Lake Management invoice of 47,830 for Upper Cormorant Lake Curly Leaf pondweed control application, and will be reimbursed when funds from the special assessment and grant support are available.

The Cormorant and Pelican Lakes Flow agreement and the associated proposed amendment were discussed. A few changes to the existing agreement were suggested, following which the topic was tabled to the June meeting.

The culverts to Pelican Lake were discussed, It was suggested we ask Houston Engineering to look at the size and other specifications for the culvert under Otter Tail County #9 toward Pelican Lake.

Beaudine will talk with Brad Swanson regarding use riprap and possibly a low bank to assure that changes to the Middle Cormorant outlet does not cause Brad's property to flood. The DNR (Bob Merritt) may allow work on the culvert to commence this fall.

It was noted that the July meeting will be postponed one day, to Tuesday July 6, since Monday the 5th is a legal holiday.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 7 at 7:00 PM in Cormorant Center.

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The following bills were paid:

	<u>Check #</u>	<u>AMT.</u>
• Professional Lake Mgmt – PLM Upper Cormorant Curly Leaf control application	1237	47.830.00

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Moritz, Secretary
Prepared by Sherwood Olson, Assoc. Administrator