

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

Board of Managers, Regular Meeting

Monday, September 20, 2010

The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held on Monday, September 20, 2010 in the Cormorant Town Hall, Cormorant Room, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN.

Those present were; managers Beaudine, Moritz and Peterson; inspector Struble; co-administrator Olson; Attorney Karkela; advisory members Orvis Olson and Maggie Metcalf; guest Gene Olson.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order and presented the agenda.

The Treasurer’s account report filed for the meeting was \$224,912.03. Minutes from the September 7 meetings (budget hearing and regular meeting) were presented. The minutes will be filed with corrections as noted.

Struble’s inspection report is on file.

Discussion included the Big Cormorant Lake Outlet structure operating agreement. Moritz has provided suggested mark-ups to the existing agreement and sent this on to Pelican Lake (POGLID) for their review. Olson will email Jeff’s suggestions to Attorney Karkela, who will draft a revision. Suggestions for the revision include making it shorter, setting a term of 10 years for the agreement, conditions for temporary shutdown (e.g. very high water in Pelican, impairments to the culvert flow to Pelican), and consideration for the affect of Lake Ida outflow.

Plans to improve the Big Cormorant Lake Outlet yet this year include straightening and rip-rap in the lead-in channel, and establishing an easement with the adjacent property owner for maintenance, including the new survey. Karkela will contact Scott of Meadowland Surveying from Detroit Lakes to get existing survey records. Bid options for the rip-rap will be for the contractor to do placement only of rock we provide, or to both buy and place the rock.

Specifications for the Bijou Alpine Lane work are basically ready to give to bidders. Houston Engineering (Erik Jones) will be asked for a sketch of the work. Karkela will contact landowners adjacent to the work area regarding an access easement for maintenance.

Grant Johnson will proceed with replacing the Middle Cormorant culvert, per permits granted by the Watershed and the DNR. He has agreed to complete an easement; Karkela will contact Meadowland Surveying regarding easement specifics.

The Upper Cormorant property assessment is expected to be the same in 2011 as this year. The DNR grant this year was less than last year, but in the future the treatment area should also be less.

Olson has sent a letter to the County Commissioners confirming the Board motion on September 7 to increase the number of Mangers to 5.

Completed permits were filed.

The following items were paid or deposited:

	<u>Check #</u>	<u>AMT.</u>
<u>Admin Acct</u>		
• State Bank of Lake Park-deposit stamp	1267	25.52
• RMB Laboratories, Management plan development	1268	810.00
<u>Healthy Lakes Initiative Account</u>		
• Big Cormorant-meeting expense reimbursement	1259	108.80
• Big Cormorant-meeting expense reimbursement	1269	312.95

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The next (mid-month) meeting will be Monday, October 4 at 7:00 PM in Cormorant Center.

There being no further business, Chairman Peterson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Moritz, Secretary

Prepared by Sherwood Olson, Co-Administrator