Meeting Minutes
12-19-07

08:30 Meeting was called to order by Ted Ritter
In attendance were Ted Ritter, Erv Stiemke and Lou Mirek. A quorum was established.

Agenda was approved. Motion to approve was given by Erv Stiemke and seconded by Lou Mirek.

Meeting minutes of 07-27-07 was reviewed. Motion to approve by Erv Stiemke and seconded by Lou Mirek.

Financial Report: Stiemke reported we will transfer $60,000.00 to 2008. The Fish and Wildlife club paid for the Barr Eng. Study. He reviewed the current revenue report and there were no questions. Cliff Kolberg billed the Lake District $600.00 for services for the extra water samples he took for the Barr study. Motion to approve the financial report.

Barr Engineering Study Findings: Ritter stated after reviewing the study and cost of the treatment we need to take the results to district property owners. We need to review the study findings with the WDNR and get their feedback. The Vilas County Land and Water Committee should review the study findings as well.
We will schedule 2 public information meetings. The meetings will be scheduled this spring and summer. The board of Commissioners will present the findings and cost of treatment. Todd Wiese added we need to explain the cause, cure and cost of the treatment.
The spring meeting will be held Saturday May 24, 2008 during Memorial Day weekend, The summer meeting will be held Saturday July 6, 2008. The final decision will be made at the annual meeting in September.
We will review how the project will be financed. The cost could be amortized over 10 years. Funding could include up to $200,000.00 under a lakes protection grant. However we would need a DNR approved lake management plan in place. Ritter will submit the study findings to the County and WDNR. Ritter will talk to Tim Hoyman to include the project in our next five year plan.
Ted Ritter presented the basic website. Ritter asked for input on website content. Ritter will try to include the costs of our treatment of Curly Pond Weed since 2003.
Winter newsletter: Ritter said we need to improve our communication with our members. Our plan is to use the website and newsletters to improve our communications. Wiese asked if these mailings could be part of the Lakes Committee mailings. Ritter explained that the Lake District addresses separate issues than the Lakes Committee. Ritter reported that he has an email distribution list. The list does not show addresses. If you want updates please send your email address to Ted Ritter. Mirek made a motion to authorize first class postage for the mailing of our newsletter. Stiemke seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ritter said the cost of the newsletter and mailing will be $1,000.00. Stiemke made a motion to authorize the cost of mailing. Mirek seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ritter said he was looking for a pilot to fly over the lake during winter to take pictures of our aeration system during operation. Stiemke said we could spend up to $50,000.00 for weed control and that would be the cap on our current grant. Motion to adjourn was made by Stiemke, second by Mirek, Motion passed.