

FIVE LAKES ASSOCIATION APRIL 14, 2014  
 BOARD BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

1. Business meeting called to order.
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Roll call ...  
 Present: Southworth, Greenfield, Newberry, Church, Bellah,  
 Chamberlain, Cohoon  
 Absent: McFall, Verardi
4. Review and approval of October, 2013 business meeting minutes  
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5. Watershed Lake Management Committee ( WLMC ) report.  
 Chairperson Southworth reported comments during the November, 2013 business meeting concerning "lake treatment firms were in business to respond to lake customer weed issues, also their focus was to make a profit." Board members agreed PLM's pricing structure unit cost should be competitively validated. Accordingly the WLMC Chairperson will proceed with validation process.  
 A bid letter was sent to seven (7) lake treatment firms January, 2014 to be received by WLMC March 14th. Three (3) lake treatment firms responded. The bids were reviewed, the collective info was documented. The WLMC Chairperson scheduled a meeting with Bre Grabill, PLM for the purpose of negotiating reduced, adjusted pricing structure unit cost for the 5 main systemic and contact herbicides used by PLM to treat Five Lakes. Following are the results of the negotiations adjusting the pricing structure unit costs presented to Board Members by Bre Grabill September, 2013 ....

	Minimum Budget	Expected Budget	Maximum Budget
2014 proposed	\$21,300.00	\$32,900.00	\$39,900.00
2014 adjusted	\$17,300.00	\$25,700.00	\$34,900.00

To gain prospective of the impact the negotiated pricing structure unit cost for systemic and contact herbicides will have on the five (5) main herbicides utilized by PLM to treat Five Lakes .... the negotiated herbicide pricing structure unit cost adjustments are:

	2014 proposed unit cost	adjusted 2014 unit cost
2-4-D Sculpin (VLM)	\$365.00	\$345.00
Diquat ( 1 gal) (NNP**)	\$190.00	\$160.00
Diquat (2gal) (NNP)	\$250.00	\$190.00
Aquthol K (NNP)	\$190.00	\$160.00
Clipper (NNP)	\$800.00	\$565.00

\* Variable Leaf Milfoil  
 \*\* Nuisance Native Plants

In 2013 WLMC Chairperson initiated a stakeholder lake treatment review process. PLM will complete the lake survey, lake treatment plan, lake treatment budget. Board members will meet with PLM to review the lake survey, lake treatment plan and budget through a question, review, approval process. We will continue the lake treatment review process in 2014.

It is important we demonstrate we are not merely asking for a dues increase, without working hard to stabilize, reduce our budget base expenditures.

#### 6. Treasurer/s report

- A. President Southworth presented Treasurer Newberry with a check in the amount of \$225.00 from Lynn Baker paying 50% of the rental cost for the Grant Township Hall April, May and June 2014 Board business meetings.
- B. Treasurer Newberry reiterated with the current level of annual dues we had 2.8 years or 2015 before major financial issues.
- C. Treasurer Newberry lead a discussion of a budget target for 2015. He suggested a budget target of \$38,500.00 based upon solid expenditure data, revenue. Board members, with each Board member commenting, discussed the budget target of \$38,500.00. There was no dissent for a budget target of \$38,500.00 for 2015.
- D. During the May 12th Board Business meeting the 2015 budget target of \$38,500.00 will be reviewed. Is a motion of approval required?

7. President Southworth commented he has been preparing Board meeting minutes since April, 2013 as the Board Secretary was involved in a major customer launch project. President Southworth asked the Treasurer and Board Members to consider splitting 50% / 50% of the Secretary's annual payment. 50% to President Southworth with his 50% being used to offset a portion of the remaining rental amount for Grant Township Hall ... April, May and June, 2014 monthly Board Business meetings. Agreement but no motion.

8. Discussion of dues increase amount and process.

During Board members discussion of the dues increase amount and process .... there was an interruption. Board members began discussing the possibility of amending By-Laws Article V, Section 4. Vice President Greenfield will be the By-Laws Article V, Section 4 Amendment Committee Chairperson. Committee members will be Cathy Church and Dan Connelly.

Chairperson Greenfield will report committee recommendations and the language of an amendment to By-Laws Article V, Section 4 at the May 12th Board Business meeting and at the July 4th annual meeting.

Accordingly President Southworth has written an article for the 2014 Spring Newsletter, waiting to complete the newsletter article for approved amended language for By-Laws Article V, Section 4 .

A By-Laws amendment must be presented to Association Members 30 days prior to voting, with adoption being by a simple majority.

9. Lake Drawdown update

Due to uncovered Association liability potential, the lake drawdown project has been rejected.

10. Area Representative reports

A. Bob Chamberlain  
Nothing to report

B. Cathy Church  
Multiple complaints about dogs being allowed loose

C. Melinda Bellah  
Nothing to report

## 10. Area Representative reports ( continued )

D. Bob McFall

Absent

E. Steve Cohoon

Reported major pot hole problems on Pebble Creek

President Southworth commented ... during a recent meeting with Dan Dysinger, Grant Township Supervisor, we talked about Five Lakes Association roads, specifically Pebble Creek. Dan said he was in process of preparing two documents ... one would be Road Subject for 5 lakes community memo and a 2nd document NOTICE, Memo to Grant Township Residents. Dan said he would forward these documents to my attention. President Southworth will forward to Board members.

Dan Dysinger commented " Five Lakes Board members and Association members should attend Grant Township Trustee meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of every month to comment re: our roads."

## 11. Adjournment