

CITY OF DELAFIELD LAKE WELFARE MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Due to the physical absence of K. Attwell, G. Gaborsky called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present

Kent Attwell (present by phone)
Jerry Bills
Jerry Burg
Gayle Gaborsky
Lynn Morrison
Gary Pratt
Don Tills
Ken Wiedmeyer

Absent

Jerry Dunnick
Bonnie Fieber
Rick Lartz

Also Present

Tom Hafner

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2007

L. MORRISON MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2007, AS PRESENTED. J. BILLS SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

2. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS ON ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA.

No citizens were present at this time.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. LAKESHORE RESTORATION PROJECT

1) STATUS OF DREDGING APPLICATION

- a. CONFERENCE CALL TO REVIEW REVISED CHAPTER 30 PERMIT (FOTH & REAS)

G. Gaborsky introduced K. Attwell, J. Burg, and J. Starke, all present by phone this evening.

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K. Attwell stated J. Berg and J. Starke were present by phone this evening to review the revised Chapter 30 permit to be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the impacts to the cost of the project as a result of changes made since the inception of the project.

J. Starke explained that cost had been a factor of consideration throughout the planning process for this project. While original costs were estimated to be approximately \$1,982,000 and were based on approximately ~~185~~ 185,000 cubic yards of dredged material at a cost of approximately \$8.00 per cubic yard with additional costs of \$300,000 for upland issues and \$200,000 for miscellaneous costs. All estimated costs were prior to feasibility. As the project design changed, the amount of dredged material was reduced. However, the overall cost of the project began to rise based on the need for a booster pump and dewatering issues. With recent revisions, due to the refinement of dredge prisms, mobilization costs spanning two years, an increase in costs for a booster pump, property restoration (not in the original estimates due to change in dewatering technology), and upland site development and management, the total cost for the project is now roughly estimated to be approximately \$3,278,000. J. Starke also explained these cost estimates would have logically risen as additional elements were added and refined as part of the overall project.

Discussion ensued regarding the cost impacts should both dewatering (passive dewatering and bagging the material and returning it to the lake) technologies be utilized. J. Starke explained more testing should be done to define sediment and arsenic areas in order to more effectively maximize passive dewatering and minimize bagging of the dredged soils, should the Committee wish to apply both technologies of dewatering. He also explained that cost savings could be lost if passive dewatering did not happen as fast as scheduled and the contractor charged for delay.

Additional discussion ensued regarding the possible options for cost reductions throughout the project.

b. **REVIEW LIST OF CHANGES TO CHAPTER 30 BY LWC AND CITY STAFF**

With regard to the list of changes proposed by the LWC and City Staff to the Chapter 30 permit, J. Bills elaborated on

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several concepts that would be beneficial if included in the permit. J. Starke agreed, noting that it would be prudent to meet with DNR Staff prior to resubmission of the permit due to the realignment of the dredge prism issues. Elaboration could take place on these items at that meeting.

In response to a question by D. Tills, J. Berg explained it would be prudent at this time to determine a direction the City would like to take on the project and the management of the dewatering site so that appropriate plans could be made based on the options discussed.

L. Morrison stated it would be very difficult to gather any additional funding support from the Council on this project at this time.

A brief discussion on costs associated with additional sampling ensued.

L. Morrison stated she thought it was important to complete the Chapter 30 permit at this time without delay and change to determine what possibilities, if any, might be needed to move forward. She did not believe additional testing and sampling would be beneficial at this time. J. Starke and all members of the Committee present agreed.

J. Burg expressed concern regarding the change in initial benefit to all city residents as it related to project cost. He stated the project began as a city project to increase St. John's Bay and boat landing as a benefit for the common good, and as the project moved forward, it seemed the common areas were becoming a fraction of the cost and the largest expense of the project would be to the private landowners in this case, and the project overall had become more expensive. This concerned him as he believed people would most likely opt out due to cost factors despite there being a common good as its initial objective.

G. Pratt expressed concern for moving forward with the permit application and project implementation at this time without total community support. He was concerned that the current project was the not one the City had begun, and he was also concerned that with review and approval of elements by the DNR, certain areas would have an established precedent that could potentially impact future action.

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Discussion ensued on this matter. The Committee expressed consensus in moving forward with the submission of the Chapter 30 permit at this time.

D. Tills, L. Morrison, and K. Attwell will attend a meeting with DNR staff along with representatives from Foth and Van Dyke regarding this project. Discussion ensued regarding cost saving measures by holding discussions with representatives from the DNR and Foth by phone.

Any additional items for inclusion within the Chapter 30 permit should be sent to D. Tills or K. Attwell prior to that meeting.

L. Morrison encouraged the group to meet soon in order to conform to the established timeline for submission of the permit. She also thanked D. Tills for submitting the proposed changes in writing for consideration of the Committee.

L. Morrison asked, on behalf of Patricia Barwig, 1832 West Shore Drive, how often the standards related to arsenic levels were changed by the DNR. J. Starke explained the change to the arsenic standard that impacted the project in the last year were changed by the federal government and had been a suggested change for a long time. He also explained the revision of standards typically took one to five years and at this time there were no further changes slated that he was aware of that would increase the costs associated with the proposed project.

- c. REVIEW OF EFFORTS TO FIND MORE ECONOMICAL WAY TO DISPOSE OF SPOILS

There was nothing further to discuss on this matter at this time.

B. WORKGROUP REPORTS

- 1) COMMUNICATIONS AND EDUCATION- BONNIE FIEBER
 - a. REVIEW OF Q&A PAGE
 - b. REVIEW OF PROACTIVE LETTER TO DISAPPOINTED PARTIES

Due to the absence of B. Fieber at this meeting, Items 3B1a and b were moved to the next LWC meeting agenda.

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2) RESTORATION REFERENDUM AND FUNDING – KENT
ATTWELL/DON TILLS

a. COST SHEET APPROVED BY LWC 12/12 ALSO APPROVED
BY TOM/MARIE

K. Attwell stated he had spoken with City Staff regarding potential implications of the approved cost sheet associated with the Chapter 30 permit and the Lake Nagawicka Restoration project. City Staff was in agreement with the cost model utilized and had applied the approved findings in the budget process.

D. Tills thanked K. Attwell, on behalf of the Committee, for his efforts in this matter.

b. MIKE IN CITY HALL REWORKING COST SPREAD SHEET
WITH UPDATED COSTS FIGURES

In response to a question by D. Tills, K. Attwell explained that City Staff would be working on the approved spreadsheet in order to demonstrate costs associated with the realigned dredge prisms.

c. SET UP MEETING WITH MARILYN TO BRING HER UP TO
SPEED

K. Attwell stated he would be meeting with M. Czubkowski to review the current process associated with the Lake Nagawicka Restoration project and to answer any questions she might have of him regarding this project.

C. STATUS OF EASEMENTS FOR LANG AND SIEPMAN

K. Attwell stated the City Attorney was currently reviewing the documents associated with the easements for Lang and Siepman. If any changes were made, K. Attwell would deliver those documents to property owners once the items of review were finished.

D. STATUS OF LETTER TO CITIZENS IN NW ZASTROW BAY/EQUIPMENT
AND PIPES – GAYLE

G. Gaborsky reviewed a potential letter to residents in northwest Zastrow's Bay regarding equipment and pipes associated with the Lake Nagawicka Restoration project. K. Attwell would deliver this letter to residents.

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E. CHAPMAN BOATHOUSE

This item was not discussed at this time.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. WDNR LETTER TO HOMEOWNERS IN NW CHANNELS REGARDING ISLAND VEGETATION CUTTING.

K. Attwell explained that D. Tills had requested this item be placed on the agenda regarding cutting of vegetation on the islands in the northwest channels of Lake Nagawicka. The DNR had received complaints from residents noting that people were cutting inappropriate wetland vegetation. To that end, D. Tills had begun working with the DNR and other concerned residents interested in providing restoration to these islands. Once jurisdiction had been established, he wanted to build consensus of landowners and DNR regarding removal of invasive species on the island, ownership, and future management of the island.

K. Wiedmeyer reported on a meeting with J. Plenke of the DNR regarding application for additional buoys being placed in the "Kettle" area of Lake Nagawicka. Since the information shared regarding J. Plenke's opinion and the opinion of other DNR Staff were directly oppositional, K. Wiedmeyer explained he would meet with additional DNR Staff prior to submission of the buoy application.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. ADJOURN

L. MORRISON MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE JANUARY 9, 2008, LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 8:06 PM. J. BURG SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

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