

**CITY OF DELAFIELD LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

K. Attwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Present

Kent Attwell

Jerry Bills

Jerry Dunnick

Gayle Gaborsky

Dave Greenway

Lynn Morrison

Gary Pratt

Lou Scopp

Dan Sisulak

Don Tills

Absent

Jerry Burg

1. CORRECT AND APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2010

**L. MORRISON MOVED TO APPROVE THE LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2010 AS PRESENTED. D. TILLS SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

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

Charles Hall, 3019 Sylvester Drive, stated the goose roundup is a great idea. If permission was needed to enter his property, he was giving consent at this time. Also he was concerned about people using the lake for commercial uses, such as water skiing lessons, as he had never heard of this use of the lake for personal commercial activity before.

L. Morrison stated she was aware of such activities historically. The Committee was unaware of any ways to deal with enforcement of such issues as there were no laws prohibiting this kind of activity. Discussion and consideration would be needed by the Committee and Common Council before supporting any regulatory actions for personal commercial activity on the lake.

Dr. David M. Schlaack, Town of Delafield resident, stated he owned a dental practice in Delafield. He thought all property owners should have the opportunity to purchase a parking permit for use on Bleeker Street. His rationale was that his taxes were supporting this permitted activity and yet it was unfair that he was unable to receive a permit. He suggested that a caveat be added to the ordinance that stated the purchaser had to be a resident of Waukesha County. While he had provided a suggestion to

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remedy the situation at that meeting, he thought this slight change would mitigate concerns presented by Common Council members.

L. Scopp questioned whether the workers employed on site for a property tax owner could utilize a permit. D. Schlaack stated this was not part of his suggestion.

**G. PRATT MOVED TO CLOSE CITIZEN'S COMMENT AT 6: 12P.M. G. GABORSKY SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Without objection from the Committee, K. Attwell moved to Item 4g.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on installation of buoys for Kettle entrance and shallow water warning markers.

K. Attwell reported the buoys were delivered and would be installed next week.

b. Update of City letter to DNR asking for 2 year extension of Chapter 30 permit dated July 7, 2010.

No word had been received from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). City Staff will continue to follow up on this matter. More information will be provided at a future meeting of the Committee.

L. Morrison stated she had made several attempts to contact Andy Hudak, DNR Staff, to no avail.

c. Update on watershed signs, feedback from Traffic and Public Works Committee

K. Attwell explained he had attended the Public Works Committee meeting with regard to the proposed watershed signage. Feedback from the Traffic Committee and the Public Works Committee indicated little support for the signage. J. Bills stated this was one of the cheapest methods of education. Lake health was reflective of watershed awareness. This message would be a unifying City theme that was beneficial to all.

K. Attwell thought the objection in this matter was related to the proposed location of the signage not the message. The Public Works Committee was not in opposition to the signage; but was concerned about having distracting non-regulatory signage on the roadways. In addition, it would be difficult to have the signage approved for roadway placement by the agencies that governed the suggested placement locations.

D. Greenwood questioned whether the signage could be placed at Bleeker Street and the St. John's Fishing Pier. K. Attwell stated he did not think these locations would be problematic as they were within the City limits and were not under the jurisdiction of other agencies.

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Discussion ensued regarding how best to move forward with this matter.

**J. BILLS MOVED TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON THE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR THE SIGNAGE AND RETURN TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLACEMENT ON CITY ROADWAYS. G. PRATT SECONDED THE MOTION.**

**J. BILLS WITHDREW HIS MOTION AND G. PRATT WITHDREW HIS SECOND.**

Consensus was given for researching the topic and revisiting this issue at next meeting of the Committee. Additional discussion ensued regarding how to begin to move the process forward at this time on local roadways and areas not under the jurisdiction of other agencies.

**D. GREENWAY MOVED TO PLACE ONE NAGAWICKA LAKE WATERSHED SIGN EACH AT ST. JOHN'S FISHING PIER AND BLEEKER STREET BOAT LAUNCH AND CONSIDERATION OF PLACEMENT FOR EACH SIGN SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE NEXT TRAFFIC COMMITTEE AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS. L. MORRISON SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

- d. Update on Nashotah run off corrective actions to slow water down and work with Merton Farm to reduce run off.

K. Attwell stated the City was preparing a draft letter to be sent to the Village of Nashotah regarding short and long term corrective actions to slow water down in the Merton Farm area to reduce runoff. More information will be given at the next meeting.

- e. Review of goose round up info and action plan to recommend to council and publish in Communicator

G. Gaborsky provided information related to geese and the round-up process. She had spoken with DNR Staff on this matter. She explained the process and cost of a Goose Round-up. Fees were for DNR labor and commercial processing of the geese. Permits were required for a variety of activities related to removal of the geese. DNR Staff are available for presentation of information on the Goose Round-up if desired.

G. Gaborsky will provide an article for The Communicator and will solicit feedback on this topic from City residents as part of that article.

**L. MORRISON MOVED TO HAVE AN ARTICLE PREPARED BY G. GABORSKY REGARDING GOOSE ROUNDUP FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE COMMUNICATOR. L. SCOPP SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

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L. Scopp stated he would contact the Village of Nashotah Board Chair Rich Lartz for information on this topic as well.

- f. Update on Anderson Group dredging permit request

K. Attwell stated he would email an update on this topic to Committee members when received.

- g. Update on Plan B Committee meetings

M. Hausman stated there has not been a meeting of the Dredging Plan B Committee since the last Lake Welfare Committee meeting.

L. Scopp questioned whether discussions had been had regarding long term maintenance of the lake. M. Hausman stated that topic had been discussed and provided a brief overview. L. Scopp stated it sounded like a good approach to an ongoing problem.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation by Plan B on financial cost calculations for our review and feedback.

K. Attwell explained R. Shirikian and A. Zietlow were unable to attend this meeting to discuss this topic. This item will be placed on a future agenda.

- b. Discussion and possible action to recommend criteria for no wake.

K. Attwell explained this item had been requested by the Mayor. He had spoken with Staff on this matter and a process was outlined by Staff for the short term but this Committee should discuss future guidelines for establishing Slow No Wake on Nagawicka Lake.

Discussion ensued regarding the process that was followed during the time of Slow No Wake on Nagawicka Lake in the past. Notification and enforcement were issues of concern. M. Hausman stated there were digitized avenues of communication for notification to City residents, much like automated school closing information or digital readouts that could be placed on the City website.

K. Attwell stated City Staff knew the water level in inches that would cause water to flood over the dam. He thought 8 inches over the standard was a conservative effort. Staff suggested 6-8 inches over the standard would be an appropriate water level. It was noted that during the time of flooding a few years ago the water was 16 inches over the standard. Consensus was given that this was too high. The Committee agreed that somewhere between 8 and 16 inches would be appropriate; however, an exact number still needed to be determined.

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L. Morrison stated Staff should be responsible for implementing the communication of Slow No Wake on the lake. Discussion ensued regarding notification to residents.

C. Hall stated that he thought 10-12 inches was appropriate. This level could be tried and then revised as needed. He suggested area residents could mark their pier posts for the water level that would initiate the Slow No Wake once determined. In this way, area residents would be able to focus on the water level without having to access the City website for this information.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the water level data on the dam could be automatically displayed on the City website with a notation stating that when the water level reached a certain displayed number, the Slow No Wake would be on and when it fell below a certain number Slow No Wake would be off. This could mitigate the need for Staff to physically manage the communication of Slow No Wake on the lake through placement of signage or flagging.

**L. MORRISON MOVED TO HAVE THE WATER LEVEL BE AT 10 INCHES OVER THE STANDARD HIGH WATER LEVEL MARK OF 98.7 AND COMMUNICATION OF THIS ENACTMENT OF SLOW NO WAKE SHOULD BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STAFF. J. DUNNICK SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

- c. Clarification of buoy placement and where no wake zones begin and end in Zastrow's Bay and St John's Bay.

K. Attwell stated he had researched this topic. He noted the location on the map that was believed to be Slow No Wake by enforcement officials. Discussion ensued regarding this location. He questioned the location of Slow No Wake on St. John's Bay near the gap. Concern was heard by residents for officials ticketing outside the Slow No Wake areas of the lake. Clarification and education was needed on this topic. Consensus was given for having K. Attwell discuss this matter and location with City Police.

- d. Discussion of removal of logs from mouth of Bark River.

D. Sisulak stated there was a large willow branch that had floated down the Bark River during times of high water. City Staff was notified and it was barged out. M. Hausman complimented City Staff on efforts regarding the log removal.

- e. Letter from Dan Schwartz and police data from lake citations and warnings.

K. Attwell stated that at D. Till's request, he had requested data on lake citations and warnings. This data provided perspective on lake citations and enforcement for the Committee. Associated costs for lake patrol were noted.

D. Tills stated he reviewed the most recent lake survey done in 2005. Information provided indicated there were enough regulations but enforcement of

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those regulations was needed. It did not appear that enforcement hours had increased as a result of that information. He also questioned the number of accident statistics on the lake. More information on this topic would be provided to the Committee at a later date.

- f. Discussion of televising our meetings when we get to new building.

K. Attwell stated there would be no cost to having the meetings televised in the future. While no one had requested the meetings to be televised from the public, he thought it would be an easy way to educate and communicate with residents on numerous lake issues. Discussion ensued regarding the benefits and challenges to having the meetings televised. It was also suggested that the meetings be streamed live on the Internet as an option.

- g. City Council request that we provide input on possible new policy for non-residents to have Bleeker Street parking permits.

L. Morrison stated she researched this topic with regard to Delafield and Nashotah use of the Bleeker Street launch parking permits. There were approximately a little under 350 permits issued per year. Nashotah had 21%, 25% and 23% of the permits for each of the past three years respectively.

J. Bills stated the Bleeker Street launch was given to the City because the donors thought all people should have access to the lake. The City had initiated the permitting fee to cover the costs of printing parking stickers. He thought the deeded gift of this property to allow all residents to have access to the lake was appropriate. D. Greenway stated it was his understanding with this gift that people had to physically reside in the City. J. Bills stated the deed of gift for the Bleeker Street property was so that all people should be able to use it.

C. Hall questioned whether the launch was ever overcrowded and any complaints had been heard. D. Sisulak stated it sometimes becomes problematic during holidays. L. Scopp stated he had visited the launch to view stickers. He noted that in the dozen times he was there this summer, most of vehicles were stickered; however, there were three or four trucks with trailers that had no sticker.

D. Schlaack stated he had purchased stickers for use for at least the past five years. This year he was denied due to the ordinance.

D. Tills likened this matter to when a person was an Illinois resident but owned property in Wisconsin and had to buy a Wisconsin fishing license as a non-resident. This non-resident paid taxes on the property but was not allowed the same benefits as a resident. L. Morrison agreed, noting that if a non-resident came to the City brush drop-off site, they would be turned away because they were not a City resident.

K. Attwell will research the noted deed of gift concept for the property presented by J. Bills.

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J. Dunnick stated there was a specific separation between property owner and resident historically with regard to this issue. To change the ordinance could result in action to restrict the number of people that had access. L. Scopp stated the issue was adding onto the ordinance not doing away with it.

D. Schlaack stated he suggested the elimination of the corporate concern as presented by his letter. He thought a fair ordinance could be crafted that would not discriminate against the substantial supporters of the City.

**D. GREENWOOD MOVED TO HAVE THE CITY EXAMINE THE ORIGINAL LAND TRANSFER REGARDING THE BLEEKER STREET BOAT LAUNCH AND REPORT BACK TO THE LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE PRIOR TO THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 MEETING . L. SCOPP SECONDED THE MOTION. THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Without objection, K. Attwell moved to Item 3a.

5. ADJOURN

**J. BILLS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 11, 2010, LAKE WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 8:27 P.M. D. GREENWAY SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Minutes prepared by:

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