

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD)  
Board of Managers Meeting

July 7, 2014

The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held in the Cormorant Town Hall, Cormorant Room, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN starting at 7:00 P.M. Present were; managers Jody Beaudine, Jeff Moritz, Gene Olson, Orvis Olson and Ellis Peterson; administrator Sherwood Olson; inspector Sheldon Struble; RMB Water Quality Director Moriya Rufer; guest Cory Lehman, Middle Cormorant Redman Beach.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order. The prior meeting minutes were accepted as previously distributed. The Treasurer's report is filed.

**Inspections:** Sheldon gave an inspection report, noting several items for file.

**Big Cormorant Outflow:** Run rate continues at 12-15 cubic feet per second (cfs). The Big Cormorant water level is above 1,355 feet, mean sea level, and it was noted there is significant underground flow into Spring Creek.

**Big Cormorant-Berg Site Erosion:** The work is complete, including large boulder rip-rap, plantings and hydroseeding. Ongoing watering and routine maintenance to be continued by owner property owner.

**Big Cormorant Outlet:** Steve Olson, Middle Corm, has been contracted to mow around the structure.

**West Bijou Erosion Mitigation:** Owners of lots adjacent to the channel are working with us to establish the easement needed for CLWD to mitigate and maintain the erosion problem.

**Redman Beach Erosion:** Cory Lehman, 14017 Redman Beach Rd asked the watershed to look into erosion by his parcel, from the road into Middle Cormorant Lake. Managers have looked at the situation and will ask the District Engineer to evaluate it.

**Tree Planting Program:** Moriya noted that we had a very successful tree planting program, with 130 trees planted on 62 separate properties, with property owners sharing in the cost along with the CLWD. There is general agreement among the managers that we should continue this program next year, depending on community interest.

**Miscellaneous:** In other discussion, Moriya noted that the DNR has received the signed paperwork for a shoreline habitat grant. This grant provides cost-share support to establish shore-impact zone habitat improvements. Owners will participate either through direct cost-share, in-kind support or both. Moriya noted that we will need to let owners know this is available, such as through Lake Association communications or other.

**Permits:** Four permits were filed.

**Next Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be August 4, 2014 at 7:00 in the Cormorant Center.

**Financial Transactions Date, Name, Memo/Description, Amount:**

7/7/2014, American Enterprises Inc., CWF 2013 Berg Project, -13,700.00: 7/7/2014, Houston Engineering, CWF 2013 Project June 2014, -5,747.62: 7/7/2014, Houston Engineering, Misc Inspections June 2014, -152: 7/7/2014, Houston Engineering, Gaging Equipment Installation June 2014, -270.75: 7/7/2014, RMB Labs, Tree Program 2014, -2,598.00: 7/7/2014, RMB Labs, Tech Admin May 2014, -180.

Jeff Moritz, Secretary

Prepared by Sherwood Olson, Administrator