

Cormorant Lakes Watershed District
Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2016

The regular meeting of the Cormorant Lakes Watershed District (CLWD) Board of Managers was held at the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center, District Office, 10929 County Highway #5, Cormorant, MN at 7:00 p.m.

Those present were Managers: Ellis Peterson; Gene Olson; Jeff Moritz and Sam Blattenbauer & Barbs Hansen; Inspector Sheldon Struble; and Administrator Liz Larson and special guest, Kevin Sherbrook.

Chairperson Peterson called the meeting to order.

Next Meeting: The CLWD 2017 budget hearing is scheduled for September 6, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. at the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cormorant Town Hall/Community Center.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report is on file.

Inspector's Report: Inspector Struble updated the Managers on his monthly area inspections.

Permits:

1. Glen Grommesh
 - a. 16604 Seclusion Point Road
 - b. Rip-rap shoreline
2. M & J Lyman
 - a. Leaf Lake on Summer Island
 - b. Rock, fabric, and black dirt added along shoreline

Old Business:

1. Results are not completed yet for the survey of Rossman, Erickson, and Leaf Lake weeds
2. Tree program update; 129 trees sold through the program; motion by Jeff Moritz to support program again for next year for 150 trees. 2nd by Gene Olson.

3. Channel update on Big Cormorant/Blue Water Bay-It is now 10” below the ordinary high water mark.
4. Herbst Property-Bejou Lake
 - a. Motion by Jeff Moritz to authorize Erik Jones from Houston Engineering to come up with a solution to the problem of erosion on Mr. Herbst’s property up to \$10,000. Gene noted that it will be coming from the general fund. 2nd Gene Olson.
5. Invasive Species Workshop in St. Cloud
 - a. Jeff Moritz made a motion that the CLWD will cover the costs of tuition, meals, lodging and mileage for any of the managers that want to go. 2nd Barbs Hansen. All in favor.

New Business:

1. Discussion about Zepel property on Middle Cormorant on Lot 4 Globstad Beach. Gene Olson abstained from discussion. The lots have needed infill for many years to keep water from property. Discussion ensued.
2. Motion to pay Kevin Sherbrook for work completed for beaver control in the amount of \$230 by Barbs Hansen 2nd by Jeff Moritz.
3. Proposal by Jeff Moritz to cost share with a larger tree program for the future ensurance of growth; Gene Olson suggested contacting the Becker County Soil & Water Department.
4. Two upcoming hearings regarding projects within 100 feet of the ordinary high water mark of the lake. A letter was sent regarding the CLWD’s stance that opposes any new structure within 50’ of the ordinary high water mark.
5. Some access road washout concerns have arisen going into Leaf Lake; Some future discussion with Karen Pollack is needed regarding the issue.
6. Bud & Dee Hovelson-Proposal to cover costs of shoreline plantings. Need 15% of the project covered with cost estimates between \$750 to \$1,000. Motion to approve by Sam Blattenbauer 2nd by Gene Olson.
7. Jeff Moritz suggested that the CLWD conduct a ground water study. Discourse about the study ensued.
8. The following bills were submitted for payment to the Board of Managers. Motion to pay bills by Sam Blattenbauer, 2nd by Barbs Hansen:

| Payee | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Steve Olson | 195.00 |
| Kevin Sherbrooke | 230.00 |
| Olson Construction | 1,400.00 |
| Ramsey County | 1,465.47 |
| RMB Labs | 1,956.00 |
| RMB Labs | 3,996.00 |
| Houston Engineering | 6,835.88 |

Motion to Adjourn by Sam Blattenbauer, seconded by Barbs Hansen at 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Submitted respectfully by Liz Larson.